

Tene Omarim

KEEPING WATCH NIGHT AND DAY

Tene Omarim was founded as a secular community by strong Zionists during the settlement movement's early years. But as the years went by, they had trouble attracting young secular families to join them and struggled to grow. When tragedy struck in Gush Katif, it brought an opportunity to Tene Omarim. In August 2005, when short-sighted Israeli politicians voted to forcibly expel close to 9,000 people from their homes in Gush Katif, in the Gaza Strip, many displaced pioneering families were unsure where to turn. When the people of Morag, a moshav in Gush Katif, were evacuated, they were offered a solution: move to Tene Omarim. But would the deeply religious families of Morag mix well with the secular families of Tene-Omarim? The answer was a resounding yes!

Today, Tene Omarim is a blend of religious and non-religious and every shade in between. The people of Tene Omarim have one thing in common—a solid commitment to the Land of Israel and their shared commitment to their Jewish heritage. Despite their differences, they opted for tolerance and mutual respect, creating an enriching community for all.

Unfortunately, many of the Arabs living nearby do not respect their right to live in the Land of Israel and have carried out several terrorist attacks against Tene Omarim over the years. Additionally, there has been a significant increase in property damage and theft perpetrated by hostile Arabs in recent years, often a precursor to more violent terrorist activity. The people of Tene Omarim have taken steps to enhance their security. Last year, they designed a comprehensive surveillance system, with cutting-edge smart cameras, movement detection sensors, and instantaneous alerts to multiple security personnel.

They had the funds needed to pay for more than half of the system's cost and turned to CFOIC Heartland donors for help with the rest. You responded with incredible generosity! But with COVID affecting every aspect of life, including availability and prices of imported goods, the community faced difficult decisions. Ultimately they moved forward with the project and implemented all of the planned surveillance posts, but excluded nighttime functionality. Now, to complete the project, Tene Omarim desperately needs your help with purchasing three thermal cameras.

Tene Omarim urgently needs to complete its security system with thermal, night vision cameras, to provide them with the defensive edge they need to protect their families against increasing terror threats. Your support for these surveillance cameras is critical! You can help the inspiring pioneers of Tene Omarim today and give them peace of mind, as they continue developing Biblical Israel.

COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

- ☆ **Founded:** 1983
- ☆ **Population:** 210 families
- ☆ **Location:** Southern Hebron Area, Judea
- ☆ **Meaning of Name:** Founded on the Jewish holiday of Shavuot (Pentacost), celebrating the end of the grain harvest, or Omer (plural—"Omarim"). Tene, added later, honors David Tene, Israel's first Housing and Construction minister
- ☆ **Strategic Significance:** Strengthens the Jewish presence in the Hebron area, creating a buffer between Arab villages and nomadic tribes and Hebron



Your donation will help provide cutting-edge surveillance equipment to protect the children of Tene Omarim



Tene Omarim urgently needs to complete its new surveillance system to protect its residents against terror attacks

TENE OMARIM SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM

PROJECT BUDGET

Thermal Surveillance Cameras (3 @ \$4,234 each)\$12,702

TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED \$12,702

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