

# Karnei Shomron

## PROTECTING THE PEOPLE OF SAMARIA

When Menachem Begin became Prime Minister of Israel in 1977, he openly and unapologetically championed the Jewish People's right to settle their divinely promised homeland. When Karnei Shomron was founded in 1977, it was the first Jewish community established in Samaria, with the Begin government's support. Today, the Karnei Shomron municipality, with a population of 11,000, is spread across five hills, including three large established neighborhoods, three pioneering outpost neighborhoods, and a new addition—the neighboring community of Maale Shomron recently joined the municipality.

Several Palestinian villages and two large Palestinian cities, Kalkilya and Nablus (Biblical Shechem), notorious hotbeds of terrorism in Samaria, closely surround Karnei Shomron. The community is situated right off of Highway 55, one of the main arteries in Western Samaria, where Molotov Cocktails, rock-throwing at cars, and even shootings have occurred over the years. In 2002, a Palestinian suicide bomber infiltrated Karnei Shomron, tragically murdering three teenagers and wounding 30 people at the local shopping mall. Devasted and acutely aware of their vulnerability, they stepped up security, installing a motion-sensor fence along the entire perimeter, as well as surveillance cameras, increasing community patrols, and regular intensive training for all of its first responders.

Currently, Karnei Shomron has five first-response teams composed of 65 volunteers who serve the community, with plans to add a sixth team in the coming months. The Karnei Shomron first responder teams also play a critical role during emergencies in most of Western Samaria, where 30,000 residents commute along Route 55, the second-largest highway in Samaria. Thank God, and thanks to sophisticated security installations and frequent patrols, the number of terrorist attacks and attempted attacks has significantly decreased inside the fenced area. But there are still frequent emergency and security events, and Karnei Shomron's first response teams are critical in protecting the growing population. Recent recruits desperately need tactical helmets and vests, and the entire squad needs tactical shirts to enable them to quickly identify team members during emergency and security situations. They also need additional thermal binoculars for night-vision capabilities..

**Karnei Shomron needs your help to purchase the emergency equipment it needs to protect its growing population. The dedicated emergency staff and volunteers protect their local community 24/7. The Karnei Shomron first responders squad is critical to the safety of the entire region, saving and defending the men, women, and children of Western Samaria. These brave volunteers need vital equipment to do their jobs well. Your support will literally save lives in Karnei Shomron and throughout Samaria.**

# COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

- ☆ **Founded:** 1977
- ☆ **Location:** Samaria
- ☆ **Origin of Name:** In English, "Horns of Samaria" referring to the two hills that rise above the community
- ☆ **Biblical Significance:** The town borders the Kana River valley, the Biblical border between the territories of Efraim and Menashe
- ☆ **Population:** 11,000



*Karnei Shomron desperately needs your support for vital emergency equipment to protect its families*



*Help Karnei Shomron protect and defend its wonderfully Zionist population—you will be saving lives*

## KARNEI SHOMRON EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

### PROJECT BUDGET

Helmets and Vests .....	\$37,200
Tactical Shirts .....	4,560
Infrared Night Binoculars .....	1,900
<b>TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED .....</b>	<b>\$43,660</b>

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