The extended emergency situation in Israel creates challenges of unprecedented nature and magnitude. The relief efforts encompass numerous organizations and individuals in voluntary initiatives, civil society, philanthropy and businesses, alongside local authorities and the government. Maximizing our collective strength through cross-sector cooperation is the key to meeting the challenges and reaching the day after as a better and more resilient society.
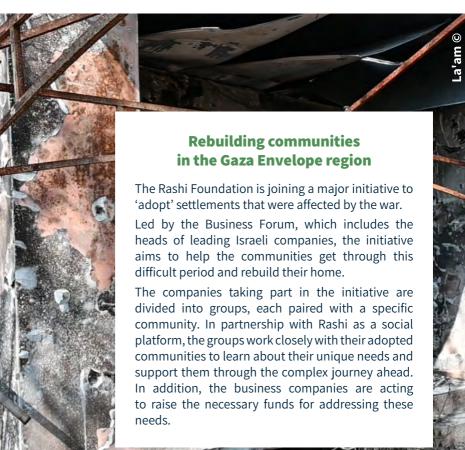
Our emergency effort

2,500	50	20,000
STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS	COMMUNITIES	CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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Recent updates on Rashi's emergency activities

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Rebuilding communities in the Gaza Envelope region

The Rashi Foundation is joining a major initiative to 'adopt' settlements that were affected by the war.

Led by the Business Forum, which includes the heads of leading Israeli companies, the initiative aims to help the communities get through this difficult period and rebuild their home.

The companies taking part in the initiative are divided into groups, each paired with a specific community. In partnership with Rashi as a social platform, the groups work closely with their adopted communities to learn about their unique needs and support them through the complex journey ahead. In addition, the business companies are acting to raise the necessary funds for addressing these needs.
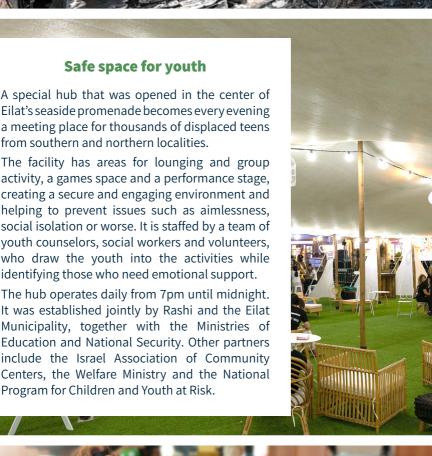
Safe space for youth

A special hub that was opened in the center of Eilat's seaside promenade becomes every evening a meeting place for thousands of displaced teens from southern and northern localities.

The facility has areas for lounging and group activity, a games space and a performance stage, creating a secure and engaging environment and helping to prevent issues such as aimlessness, social isolation or worse. It is staffed by a team of youth counselors, social workers and volunteers, who draw the youth into the activities while identifying those who need emotional support.

The hub operates daily from 7pm until midnight. It was established jointly by Rashi and the Eilat Municipality, together with the Ministries of Education and National Security. Other partners include the Israel Association of Community Centers, the Welfare Ministry and the National Program for Children and Youth at Risk.

Educational settings for children evacuees

Shortly after the outbreak of the war, Rashi took part in setting up holistic education centers for children and youth at the Dead Sea evacuation site, with experiential activities run by volunteers from our network of subsidiary associations and other organizations. Now this initiative is being duplicated in other locations and expanded by opening classes for kindergarten children.

The education centers are active all day long, with games, art and crafts corners, indoor playground equipment, an early childhood developmental play room, and more. The kindergartens operate in the morning hours and their qualified staff aims to restore some stability and normalcy into the children's lives that were so brutally disrupted.

Additional support channels

Beyond the activity of Rashi and its network of affiliated associations, we assist other relief efforts in response to needs in different areas, among them: emotional and mental support for vulnerable populations, including children and youth in southern communities and women victims of domestic violence; employment solutions for evacuees, with an emphasis on young adults; aid for IDF widows and orphans and for orphaned children in civil society; and material needs such as food, activity kits for children, and laptop computers for workers of municipalities, medical and emergency teams.

Recent media coverage of Rashi's emergency activity

The Rashi Foundation and BTB will help to rebuild moshav Netiv Ha'asara through a fund that will provide a response to immediate, mid-term and long-term needs

The Rashi Foundation is operating in an emergency mode and established an emergency fund to help evacuated residents and local authorities in the war zone

A youth hub was opened in Eilat to serve thousands of evacuated teens, in a joint initiative of Rashi with the Municipality of Eilat, the Education Ministry and the Ministry of National Security

May their memory by blessed

The Rashi Foundation sends heartfelt condolences to the families of employees and program graduates of the Rashi Network who were killed in the vicious attack on southern communities and in fighting the Hamas terrorists.

Mati Weiss, past coordinator of Katzir Scholarships and Tafnit Association employee

Lilach Kipnis, social worker and therapist, Yahdav Association

Avshalom Peretz, past team member of the Negev pre-army program, Ma'ase Association

Gali Shkutai, graduate of Ma'ase Association's service year program

Aviel Melkamu, graduate of the Gal pre-army program, Ma'ase Association

Shahar Cohen Mivtach, graduate of the pre-army program in Tiberias, Ma'ase Association

Yedidya Eliyahu, graduate of the Li-El pre-army program, Ma'ase Association