



## About Negba



**NEGBA** is a community-based, lay driven organization whose mission is to reduce the number of children at-risk in Israel by providing after-school educational and social programs for Israel's children and teens at-risk aged 6 – 18.

**NEGBA** strives to accompany its children and youth to the onset of adulthood, be it army or national service, university study or employment.

**NEGBA** was founded in 2006 by a small group of French Israelis concerned for Israel's youth.

**NEGBA** means "southward." Negba launched its activities in Israel's southern region, and continues to focus important initiatives in greater Beersheva.

**NEGBA** operates after-school *Homes for Children* and *Teens Clubs*, which serve as daily havens for vulnerable youngsters where they are nurtured in a warm but disciplined family environment, fed a nutritious hot meal, receive intense individualized academic tutoring and participate in structured social activities.

**NEGBA** also runs its *Hadracha Training Initiative* for the management and staff of boarding institutions, and a *summer camp* for children at-risk.

**NEGBA** aims to help children at-risk of all backgrounds.

**NEGBA** proactively intervenes as early as possible in the care of children at-risk when they are most flexible and can be influenced positively.

**NEGBA** reaches out to teens during the critical adolescent "gap" years of 13-15 overlooked by most governmental programs for youth at-risk.

**NEGBA** engages parents as partners in the care of their children at-risk.

**NEGBA** facilitates the academic success of Israel's children at-risk and fosters their healthy social and psychological well-being. Negba's children are nurtured to excel in some area- whatever area they choose.

**NEGBA** uses advanced educational software to strengthen the academic achievements of its children.

**NEGBA** directly assists over 175 children annually, and 270 children and their families indirectly.

**NEGBA** is run by a dedicated staff of 29 professionals and 70 volunteers.

**NEGBA** enters in contractual partnerships with state and municipal welfare and education authorities in each city of operation. Only projects that are sustainable are launched.

**NEGBA** is overseen by a highly active and talented board using business standards, allowing for transparent, efficient and fast operation.

**NEGBA** exists on donations and planned gifts, and receives support from Israel's Ministries of Education and Social Affairs. It has an annual operating budget of USD \$1.5 million.

**NEGBA** is a recognized charity under clause 46 of the Israel tax code, and it is an approved Israeli charity by the PEF Israel Endowment Funds, Inc. in the USA, UK Toremot in the UK, The Ne'eman Foundation in Canada, and the Jewish Federations of North America.



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**Negba - A Network of Houses of Hope in Israel for Children At-Risk**

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