

YEDID ANNUAL REPORT 2016

Working for a poverty free Israel

We're here so that
no one has to fight
poverty on their own.

We won't stop until we have eradicated poverty.



What we do

YEDID ("friend" in Hebrew) was established in 1997 to promote social and economic justice in Israel through a national network of 16 Citizens' Rights Centers in disadvantaged communities throughout Israel- primarily in Israel's periphery.

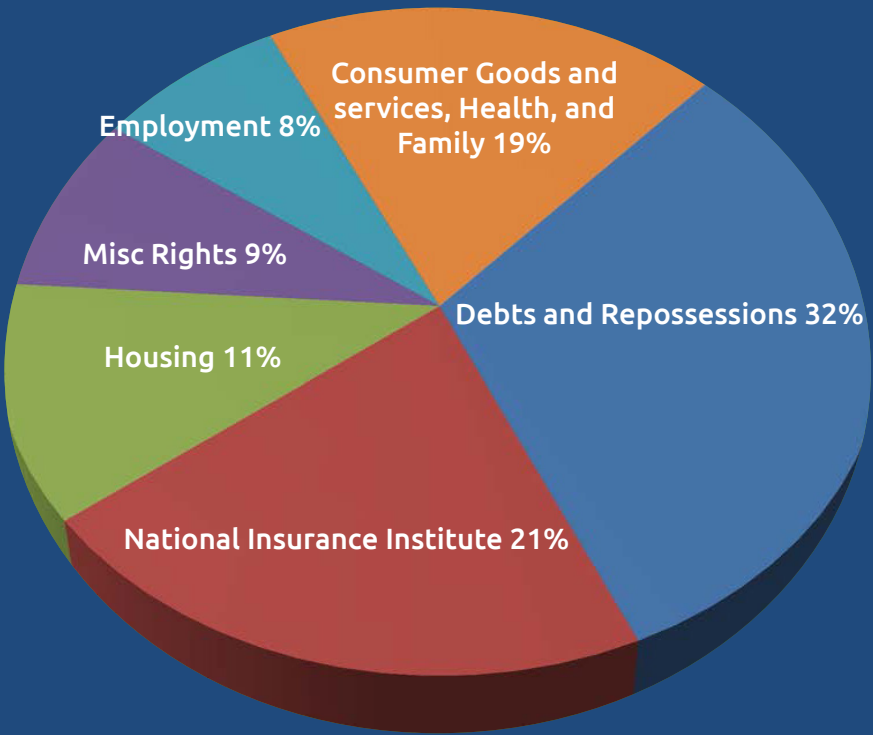


YEDID helps thousands of Israelis every year struggling with poverty; through individual assistance, community programs and advocacy. We campaign to tackle the root causes of poverty so that, one day, no one will have to turn to us for help.

YEDID's legal department offers free advice and legal representation to protect people's basic necessities, such as social assistance, housing, health, education and human rights. YEDID's work is carried out by tens of trained workers and hundreds of volunteers, some of whom have been past applicants, with other volunteers being professional lawyers, social workers, accountants, and more.



The Reasons People Come to YEDID



Inequality is a serious threat to the health and well-being of all Israelis

YEDID is working to narrow the income gap through:

- Helping people access their benefits
- Financial Literacy training
- Getting more people back in the workforce
- Advocating for benefits on behalf of single mothers and other low income Israelis

Since its founding, YEDID has assisted more than 500,000 families and individuals. Our work in the Knesset has impacted wide sections of Israeli society:

- 250,000 children annually receive hot meals during the school year and 8,000 students from low socioeconomic families receive hot meals over the summer vacation
- Close to 70,000 pupils from single-parent families receive National Insurance grants
- The National Council for Nutritional Security was established to determine policies and budget impacting food security
- We have made great strides in housing-, livelihood- and employment rights.
- More than 50,000 solar heating units were installed for public housing residents after YEDID persuaded the ministry of housing to allocate the money.

In 2016, we secured more than \$1.2 million dollars for our clients in benefits they were entitled to.

Our 2016 achievements include:

- Housing: More than \$42 million was designated to purchase apartments for people who have waited for public housing for over ten years.
- Tenants are now prohibited from being evicted from public housing
- Food Security: Food security initiative- collaboration between the Ministries of Welfare and of Finance, Leket Israel and Eshel Jerusalem- saw its budget doubled impacting 15,000 families.
- Daily Living: The number of Israelis who had their water cut off in 2016 dropped to 27 from 7,000 the year before.
- Financial: A new law was passed to separate credit card companies from the banks - means low income people will gain by having competition and easier credit terms.
- The scope of bank assistance offered to women in shelters for abused women has been extended
- Tax credits for single mothers have been extended, enabling some 60,000 working mothers to receive thousands of shekels



Balance Sheet in US Dollars

	Year Ending	
ASSETS	2016	2015
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	139,299	63,840
Trusts	5,722	9,662
Accounts Receivable	170,656	417,383
Miscellaneous Debtors	4,087	6,040
	319,765	496,926
Non Current Assets		
Fixed Assets	55,621	47,938
Provisions for Severance Pay	68,344	60,048
Long term Trusts	0	3,844
	123,965	111,831
Total Assets	443,730	608,757
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Credits from banking corporations	65,115	0
Suppliers and Service Providers	85,335	105,283
Salaries and Withholding Taxes	128,941	104,591
Total Current Liabilities	279,392	209,874
Net Assets		
Net Assets for Use with Activities	-50,338	80,740
Net Fixed Assets	55,621	47,938
	5,283	128,678
Net Temporarily Restricted Assets	159,055	270,204
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	443,730	608,757

Income & Expenditure Statement in US \$

	2016	2015
Income		
Net Donations and Allocations	791,300	624,862
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	905,598	1,127,462
Allocation from the Government Ministries	0	76,115
Value of volunteers	237,504	0
	1,934,402	1,828,438
Direct Expenses		
Cost of workers and volunteers	1,229,362	1,025,537
Direct expenses for activities	422,130	424,278
	1,651,492	1,449,815
Net Income from Operations	282,910	378,623
Administration and General Expenses	261,192	253,702
Public Relations and Fundraising Expenses	133,234	108,231
Net Income (Expenses) before Interest	-111,515	16,690
Net Interest Expenses	13,787	4,396
Net Income (Expenses)	-125,302	12,294

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