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Their hope

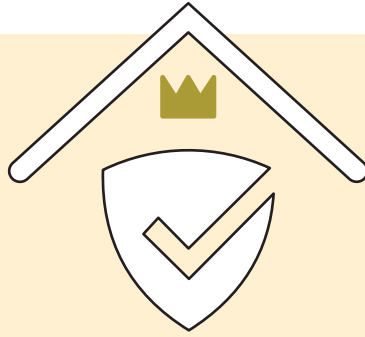


Summarizing a year at Bat Melech

2024



Mapping Bat Melech's Services



Legal
representation

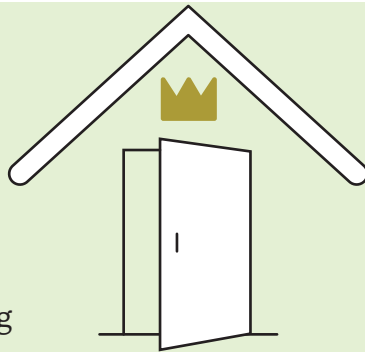
SHELTERS



Three Shelters
in various locations



Apartments for
mothers raising
teen-agers



Follow-up
and assistance
to women leaving
the Shelter



Stimulating
and enjoyable
gatherings

POST-SHELTER SUPPORT



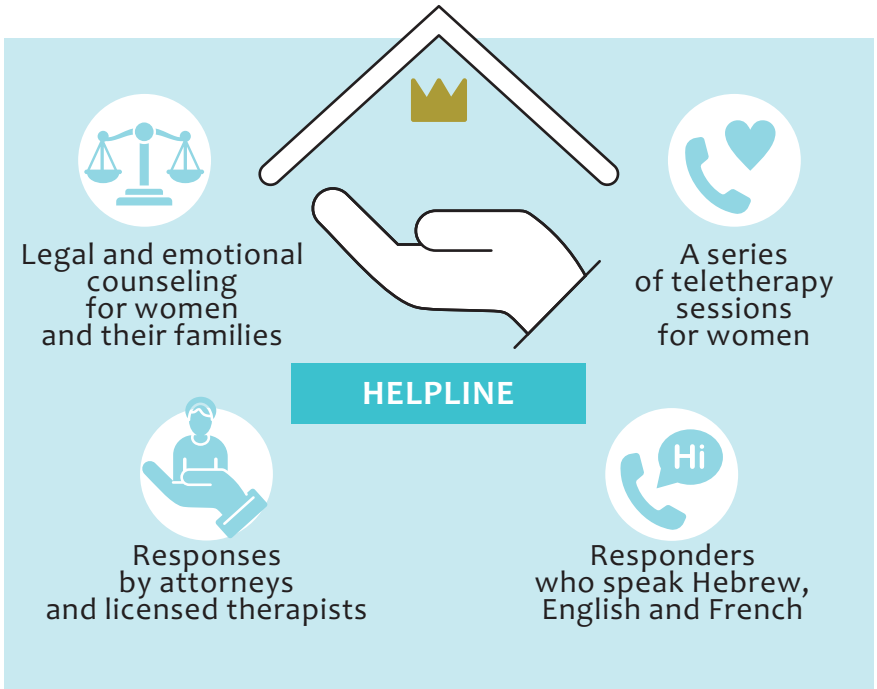
Stipends for
studies and
vocational training



Transitional
apartments



Financial
and emotional
support





**From the desk of
Bat Melech's chairwoman
Tzilit Jacobson, adv.**

Our entire nation is coping with struggle and loss, holding its breath while praying and hoping for good news. In the midst of the storm engulfing us, Bat Melech continues to be an island of security, an outstretched hand and a listening heart to all who need us.

I was given the honor of lighting a torch at the state ceremony on Mount Herzl on Israel's 76th Independence Day.

I dedicated the beacon to my sisters at and graduates from the Bat Melech shelters who are silent heroines, and whom I meet every day, with a keen awareness of my privilege to be on the giving side.

I would like to thank our wonderful team at the shelters. The issue of domestic violence has not gone away during the war. In fact, it has only increased and we must carry on our noble efforts on behalf of the victims every day.

Thank you, dear partners, for marching with us. Hoping and praying for better days ahead for the entire nation of Am Yisrael, and striving to be emissaries of goodness in every possible way,

Tzilit



**A message from
Bat Melech's CEO
Noach Korman, adv.**

”בַּדֶּרֶךְ שֶׁאֲדָם רוֹצֵה לֵילֵךְ בָּהּ – מוֹלִיכִין אוֹתוֹן”
”Paths always open for those who know
where they want to go” (יב, ט)

The special path that Bat Melech has taken since its establishment 30 years ago has led to great achievements. The path is not easy; it is strewn with challenges. With G-d's help, we cope, progress, accomplish, and succeed.

You, our dear friends, are partners in this journey. Credit for achievement of these goals belongs to us all.

We are happy to inform you that, during the past year, the Jerusalem Municipality's land allocation to Bat Melech was approved and signed, making possible the construction of a new, more suitable and more spacious building for the Shelter. We hope to begin construction as soon as possible and complete it within two years. This is a huge challenge for us, and we pray and believe that we are moving in the right direction.

This is the path we are striving to follow; stay the course with us, and, G-d willing, we will succeed together.

Yours,

Noach

Bat Melech in numbers this year

SHELTERS



3

Shelters

91

Women

352

Children



POST-SHELTER SUPPORT



\$135K

Financial support

was distributed to Shelter graduates

25

Volunteers

were trained to be "Sisters in the Community"

On Purim,

200

Food parcels

were distributed to Bat Melech graduates



8

Gatherings

for Shelter graduates

HELPLINE



1,414

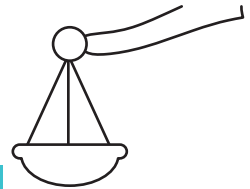
Women

were assisted in the treatment process by the Helpline

186

Women

who called the Helpline received legal assistance



COMMUNITY, EDUCATION AND OUTREACH



1,100

Young-adult

Ultra-Orthodox women participated in courses about recognizing warning signs of domestic violence

1,600

Young-adult

Ultra-Orthodox men participated in courses about preventing domestic violence

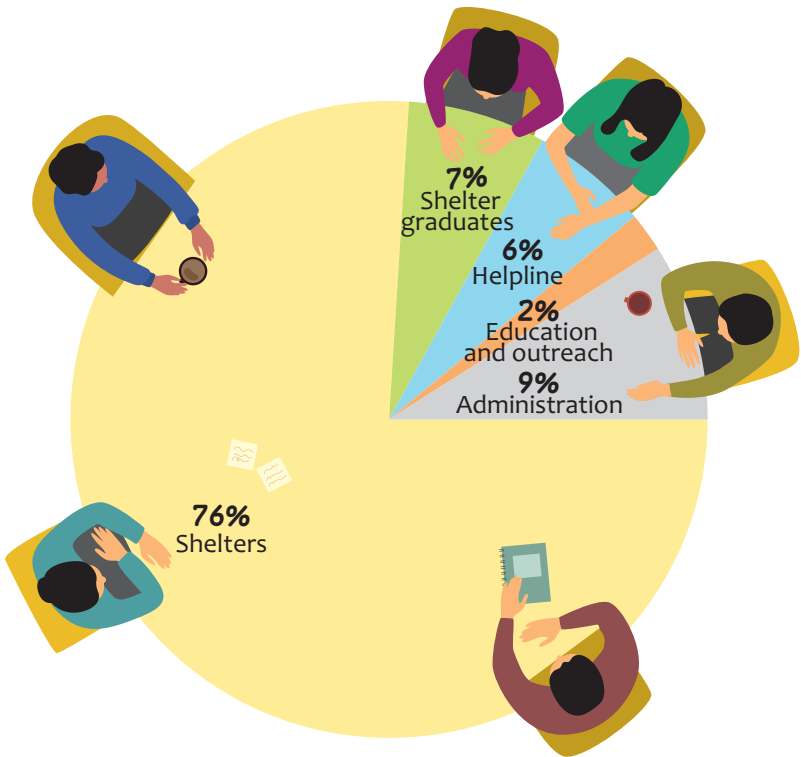




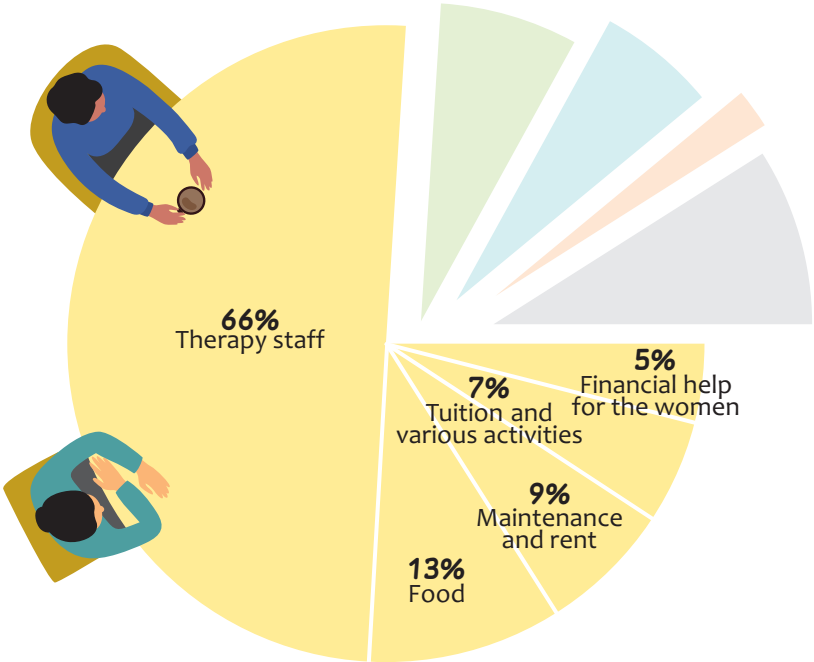
BUDGET

Distribution of budget expenditures

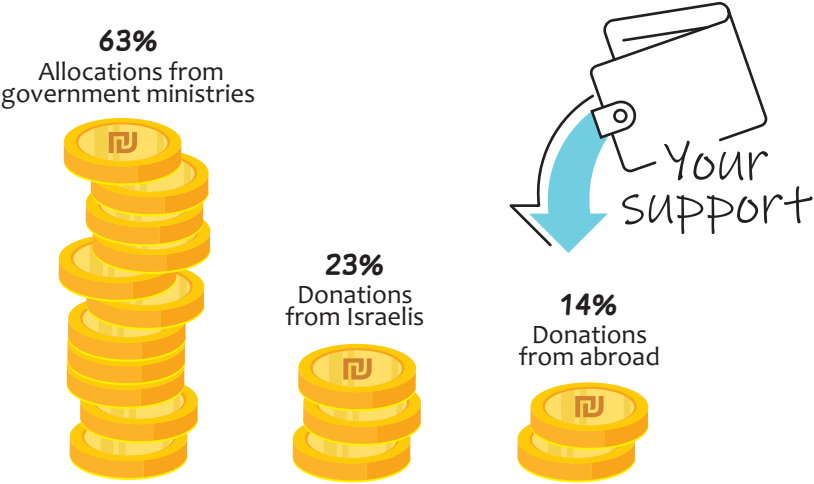
\$5 million – Bat Melech's annual Budget 2024



Distribution of expenditures of the three Shelters 2024



Distribution of income sources 2024



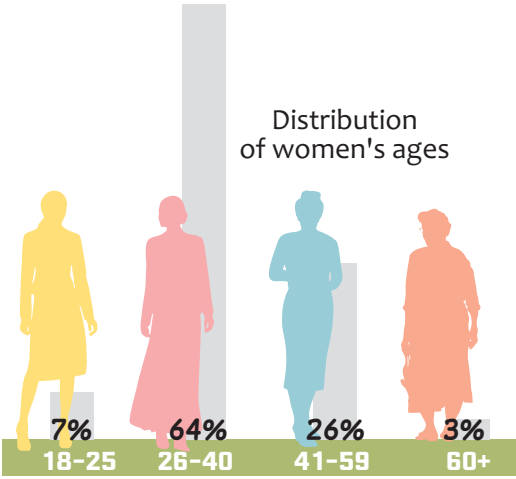


SHELTERS

Data

The residents of Bat Melech's Shelters in 2024

Distribution of women's ages



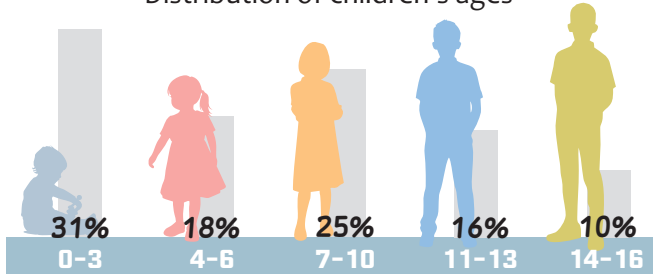
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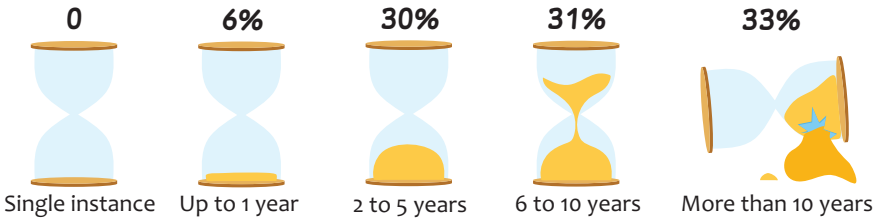
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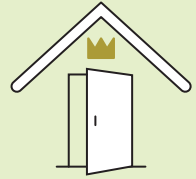
Distribution of children's ages



Years of domestic violence



Post-Shelter support in 2024



POST-SHELTER
SUPPORT

241

Women

with

“Sisters in the Community”

58

Women

shelter
graduates



23

Rental contracts

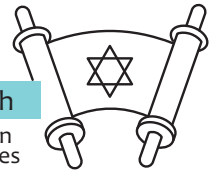
signed for graduates



12

Bar/Bat Mitzvah

events for children of
Shelter graduates



40

Women and girls

participated in
Simchat Beit Hashoeva,
on Succoth



200

Food parcels

were distributed
to graduates on Purim



140

Shelter graduates

participated
in a Hanukkah party



90

Women

participate in
regional support groups



8

Regional gatherings

throughout the year



\$135K

Financial support

was distributed



125

Food vouchers

totaling \$25K

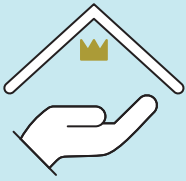


\$30K

Purim charity

given to graduates



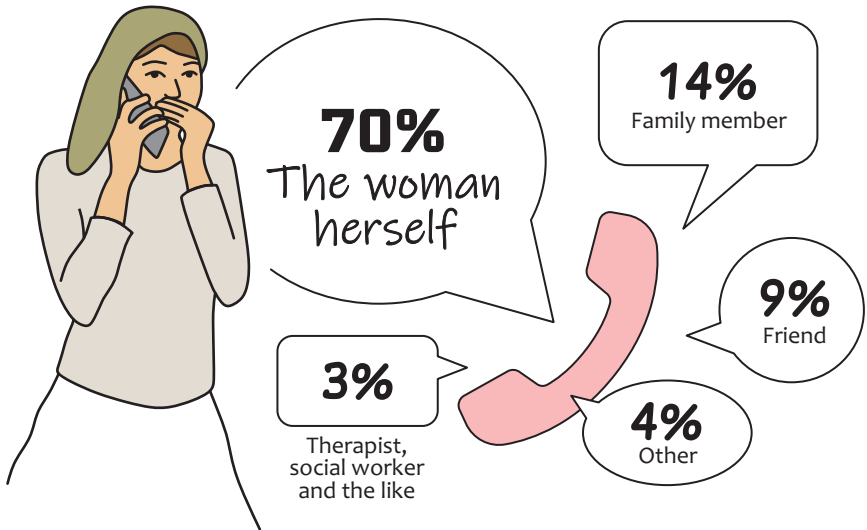


HELPLINE

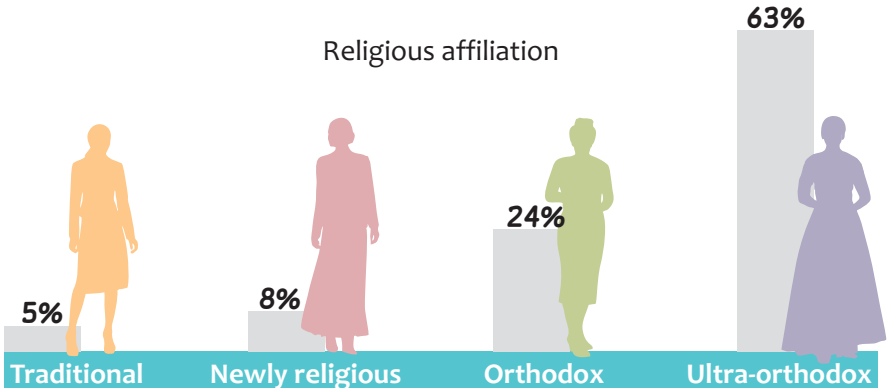
HELPLINE

In 2024, 1,414 women were assisted in the treatment process by the Helpline. Approximately 186 calls also resulted in legal assistance.

Distribution of calls to the Helpline



Religious affiliation



Activities of the Legal Department

in 2024



LEGAL DEPARTMENT



65 women were represented by Bat Melech's attorneys

291 legal meetings and hearings were held in rabbinical courts and secular courts

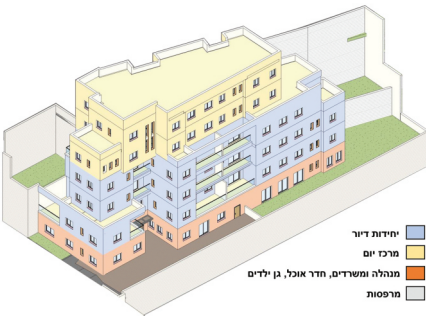


19 women received Certificates of Divorce

Our next objective



Bat Melech's new building in Jerusalem



Impressed with Bat Melech's activities, the Jerusalem municipality allocated land for a building for Bat Melech.

The planned Shelter was designed with an understanding of the unique needs of the women and children who are our residents. The Shelter will provide a dignified standard of living for women and their children, and provide optimal therapeutic responses to all their needs.

We are in the last stages of the permit-issuing process and completing the architectural design. With G-d's help, we expect construction to be complete, and occupancy to begin by the end of 2026.

Estimated cost: \$10 million.

For endowments and donations, please contact us as soon as possible.

Writing from the heart

This year, we intend to publish a book of poems written by women who have graduated from Bat Melech Shelters over the years. Help us make their dream come true

עֵינַיִם חִלּוּלוֹת
עֵינַיִם מְזֻכְּרִי
עֵינַיִם שֵׁשׁ עָלֶיהֶן מַסְכָּה
מָה מְבִיעוֹת הָעֵינַיִם
מָה הֵן זִמְמוֹת
מָה הֵן מְתַכְנְנוֹת
מָה הֵן מְסַתִּירוֹת

הַפְּחָד גְּדוֹל
וְאֵי לֹא יוֹדַעַת מִמָּה
הַרְעַד תּוֹקֵף
וְאֵי לֹא יוֹדַעַת לְמָה

הָעֵינַיִם מְבִיעוֹת
אֶת מָה שֶׁהֵן מְסַתִּירוֹת
עֵינֵי קָרַח

שְׂאִין בָּהֶן הַבְּעָה
עֵינֵי נָץ
מְלֵא בְּתַכְכִּים וְתַכְנִיּוֹת

אוֹתָם לֹא רֵאִיתִי
אוֹתָם לֹא יָדַעְתִּי

רַק פְּחָד גְּדוֹל
שְׁעוֹטֵף אוֹתִי מִכָּל כּוּוֹן

תְּמִימָה הֵיִיתִי
וּבְשֶׁכֶל יֵשֶׁר חוֹנְנָתִי
חֲשַׁבְתִּי שֶׁהוּא טוֹב
חֲשַׁבְתִּי שֶׁהוּא יֵשֶׁר

רַק הַפְּחָד הֵיךְ תְּמִיד
וְאֵף פָּעַם לֹא עָזַב אוֹתִי

עֲכָשׂוּ אֲנִי מִבִּינָה
וְיוֹתֵר יוֹדַעַת
שֶׁהוּא מְלֵא בְּתַכְכִּים וּמְזֻמּוֹת
הַפְּחָד לֹא הִגִּיעַ עַל רִיק
כִּי הִלַּב מְרַגֵּשׁ

אֲזַ כִּדְאִי לְהֶאֱמִין לוֹ
לִלְב

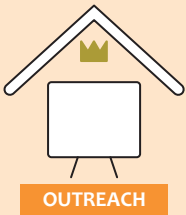


מָה לַעֲשׂוֹת עִם הַמַּעֲלָלִים שֶׁלָּדָה
וְהַחֲלָק הַכִּי מַעֲלָלֵי שְׁבָהֶם
זֶה שְׂלֵא מְבִינִים אֶת הַתַּעֲלּוּל שֶׁבָּדָה.
שְׂלֵא מְבִינִים אֶת הַהֲתַעֲלּוּת בְּיָלָדִים שֶׁלָּדָה.
מָה לַעֲשׂוֹת עִם מָה שֶׁנֶּרְאָה וּמִדְּבָר
כִּרְצוֹנָם שֶׁל הַיְלָדִים
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תִּגִּיד אֲתָה,

מָה לַעֲשׂוֹת עִם הָעֲזוּת פְּנִים,
אוּ יוֹתֵר נְכוּן עִם הַפְּנִים (לְשֵׁי פְּנִימִיּוֹת) שְׂאִין לָךְ
עִם הַחִיצוֹנִיּוֹת שֶׁמִּנְהַצְנָת אֶת מָה?
אֶת הַצְּחִנָּה שֶׁבָּדָה.

אוּלֵי כָּבֵר גְּבוּא הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה שֶׁתִּבְּרִין
שֶׁלְכֵל תַּעֲלּוּל גִּישׁ סוּף.
לְשֶׁקֶר אִין רְגָלִים וּטְלָפִים.
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הֵם לֹא הַפְּקֹר בְּנַפְשׁ.

וְאוּלֵי סוּפְסוּף וְתֵאֲפֹשֶׁר
בְּצוּרָה בְּרִיאָה - מִשְׁהוּ שֶׁנֶּקְרָא קֶשֶׁר.



Communication, Advocacy & Influence

Bat Melech took an active and significant part in the work of Israel's parliament (the Knesset). Bat Melech's chairwoman, Tzilit Jacobson, participated throughout the year in various committees and parliamentary meetings and spoke on behalf of women victims of domestic violence.

Several representatives of Bat Melech traveled across Israel, North America and Europe to present at private parlor meetings hosted by our friends abroad in order to raise awareness about and funds for this important cause. Domestic Violence affects all of us. Creating an army to combat it is our best defense!



As part of an initiative by Knesset Member Galit Distel Atbaryan, Bat Melech received a Certificate of Appreciation for its work over the years.



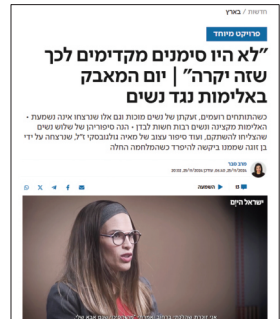
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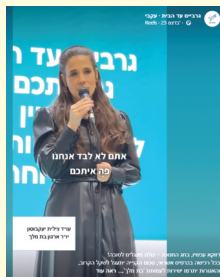
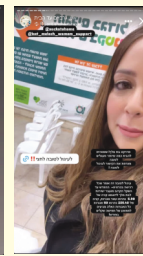
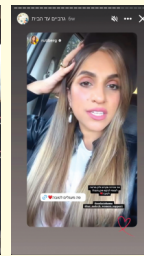
As we do every year, Bat Melech hosted many important public figures in the Shelters and made sure to highlight our work and speak out forcefully for our women.

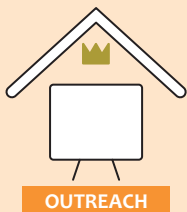
As always, throughout the year Bat Melech strove to maintain a strong media presence.

A personal interview with our CEO Noach Korman in JEWISH LINK, providing an inside view of daily life in Bat Melech's Shelters over the years



As part of a collaboration we had with the fashion company Garbayim Ad HaBayit ('Socks Directly to Home'), we held an event for "influencers" and harnessed their followers to a campaign for the benefit of Bat Melech.





New in Bat Melech

Expanding the activities of the Education and Outreach department



This year, for the first time, Bat Melech operated pioneering educational programs for girls in ultra-Orthodox seminaries and for yeshiva students who are in the matchmaking period.

We built a unique course with the ASICHA organization and joined the initiative of KAVIM ADUMIM (Red Lines).

In these courses, over 1,600 young women learned to identify warning signs of future domestic violence and over 1,100 ultra-Orthodox young men participated in courses focused on preventing violence and creating beneficial marital conversational skills.



A women's convention was held in Haifa, in memory of Racheli Bohbot, a resident of the city who was brutally murdered by her husband.



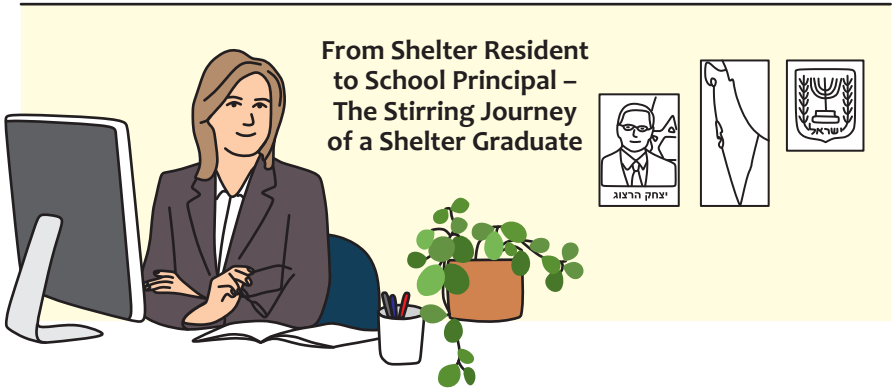
We formed new and exciting collaborations with many bodies and institutions.

We held conferences and lectures intended for the ultra-Orthodox community, in which hundreds of women participated. The conferences were carried out in cooperation with rabbis, local community leaders and local domestic violence departments.



We guided, accompanied and responded to every request that came to us from, among others, rabbis, businessmen, educational teams, bride- and groom-counselors, mikveh attendants, welfare teams, therapists and of course women from all across the spectrum of Israeli society.

Starting over



From Shelter Resident to School Principal – The Stirring Journey of a Shelter Graduate

For years, Sara lived in the shadow of fear and violence. Her husband was physically and emotionally abusive, humiliating and controlling in all areas of her life. After giving birth to her fourth child, Sara decided to get up and leave, to give herself and her children a chance for a better future.

She arrived at the Bat Melech Shelter, where she received support and a safe environment for herself and her children to live and recover from their experience. With the help of a treatment team, she was able to restore her self-confidence and forge a renewed sense of self and purpose.

When she reached the stage of leaving the Shelter, our staff explored her legal rights and helped her begin to plan for her future.

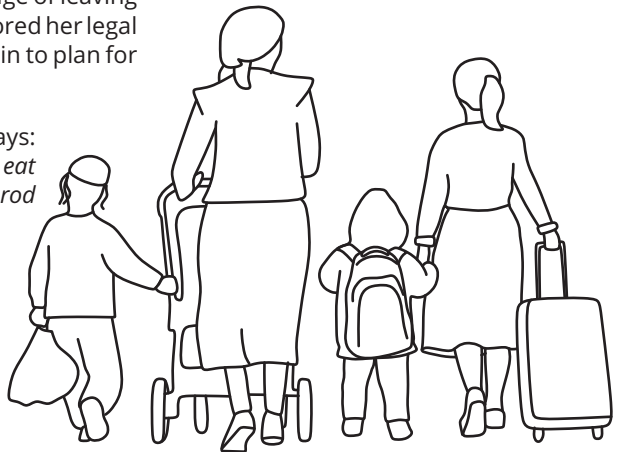
There is a proverb that says: *"Give a man a fish - he will eat for a day; give him a fishing rod - he will eat for a lifetime."*

We at Bat Melech make every effort to assist women seeking steady employment, so that they can stand on their own feet and earn a decent living.

Helped by a scholarship from Bat Melech, Sara embarked on academic studies. She graduated with a teaching degree and quickly advanced in the field of education.

The pain she had endured became a source of compassion and strength.

Recently appointed as the principal of an elementary school, Sara is an inspiring symbol of hope, a model of determination, renewal and victory.



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Who We Are?



Bat Melech's goals:

Assistance to Orthodox and Ultra-Orthodox women and children who suffer from domestic violence.

Providing every woman with the opportunity to actualize herself as a person and as a woman, and never to be humiliated, or constrained physically, mentally or financially





Help us stop the cycle of domestic violence!

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