



Dear Friends

We pray that you and your family are well and safe in these most trying times.

As a valued donor, we wish to update you on the largest crisis we have ever faced in the Johannesburg Jewish community. This is a health and financial crisis of unprecedented proportion.

As you are well aware, the Chev takes responsibility for the most vulnerable in our community. Sadly, those that depend on us have become even more at risk in light of COVID-19, and we are working day and night to try and ensure their safety and wellbeing. It goes without saying that the Chev faces immediate and medium-term challenges arising out of COVID-19, including:

- substantial unbudgeted costs to protect the vulnerable residents of our facilities
- procurement of protective gear for healthcare workers
- additional cleaning, security, and nursing costs

At the same time we are acutely aware of our responsibility to manage through this crisis in a manner that does not add to the considerable concern and anxiety within our community.

We know that you, as the most generous in our community, will be faced with many well-intentioned pleas for assistance from various organisations as the crisis develops and deepens.

Our plea to you is that you continue to prioritise the Chev as you have done in the past. We make this plea humbly on behalf of the most vulnerable in our community who are unable to ask you themselves and have nowhere else to turn.

With Hashem's blessing and your continued support, we pray that the Chev will come through this crisis able to meet the challenges ahead.

With your dedicated partnership, we can and will ensure that No Jew Gets Left Behind.

Yours sincerely

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