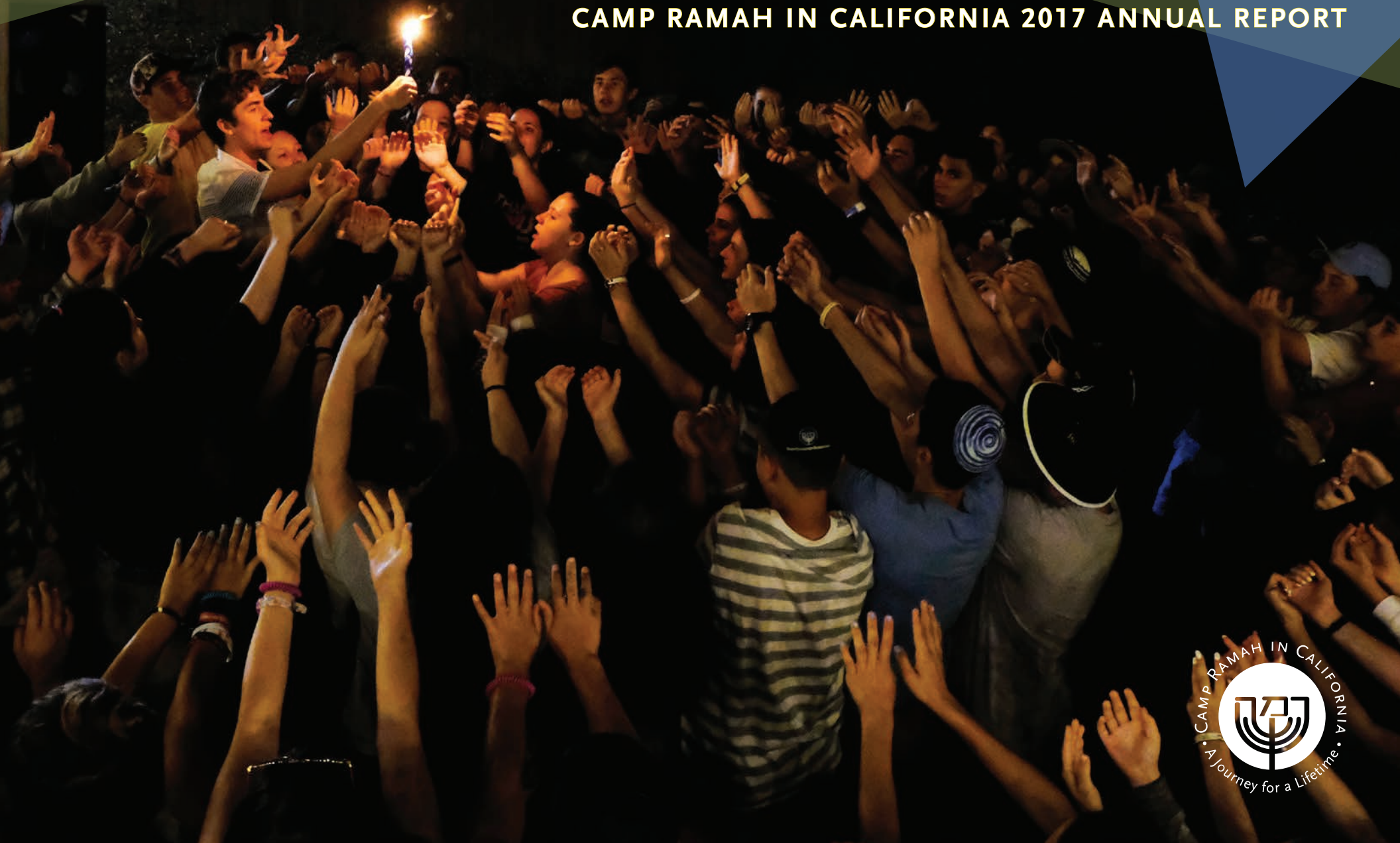


SIGNIFICANT JEWISH MOMENTS

CAMP RAMAH IN CALIFORNIA 2017 ANNUAL REPORT





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DEAR FRIENDS:

December 2017: Gala

This past year, we resumed our formal annual Gala and spent a lovely evening celebrating **Roz & Abner Goldstine** for their enormous contributions to Camp Ramah. The Goldstines have been instrumental in nurturing the growth and success of Ramah and helping children attend camp. Their recent historic gift for the New Machon/Property Capital Campaign will help us build our future Machon village, The Roslyn & Abner Goldstine Machon Shetach.

During the same evening, **Abby & Jonny Mars** were recognized with the Inaugural Alumni Leadership Award for their years of service to Camp Ramah as Yoetzet, Board Member, Community Supporter, Camp Parents, and of course, Alumni!

We were thrilled to have over 500 members of our community join together to celebrate these two incredible couples, and establish the *Mercaz Yisrael Endowment* (Israel Center) for Camp Ramah.

We thank you for joining us for the **2018 Gala on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at Sinai Temple**, where we honored **Sheila Baran Spiwak and Alan Spiwak**, and also recognized **Maya Aharon** with the Alumni Leadership Award.

December 2017: Fire

A few short days after our Gala Celebration, we witnessed a true modern day Chanukah miracle. The Thomas Fire, according to the predictions of the firefighters, threatened our camp with almost certain destruction. Thanks to the heroic efforts of those very same firefighters, tremendous resources allocated by CalFire, and nothing short of the miracle of divine intervention, our camp was ultimately saved and our buildings spared from any direct damage from the fire. Nevertheless, while all the buildings remained intact, there was an estimated \$3 million in collateral damage to our buildings, roads, and infrastructure from smoke, heavy firefighting equipment, and the subsequent need for hillside mitigation to prevent mud slides from rain. Thanks to so many of you in our community who donated generously to our Emergency Fire Fund campaign, to our partners at the Jewish Federation of Los Angeles, and to the support of our insurance company, we have been able to

overcome the huge financial burden this near tragedy caused. Despite the generosity, we still have substantial need for future work in hillside mitigation and electrical systems repairs.

As we close our Kayitz 2018 summer season, we feel blessed to have been able to once again occupy our wonderful facility and provide the summer of a lifetime to so many grateful campers and staff.

Affordability

Finally, affordability is one of our key goals and priorities. We are engaged in making sure that we provide financial support to campers with need, and that we extend our Ramah experience to those who may not even consider a camp experience within their financial reach. We continue to collaborate nationally with the National Ramah Commission and the Foundation for Jewish Camp, locally with our generous partners at the Federation, and with our own Ramah community to maximize the dollars we have available for scholarships and financial aid. We had an incredible Ramah presence at the Tour de Summer Camps, and wonderful turnout at our annual gala honoring Sheila Baran Spiwak and Alan Spiwak, both of which are providing substantial support for our ongoing affordability efforts. We remain deeply committed to ensuring that any child who wants to be a *Ramahnik* is not prevented from doing so due to a lack of financial ability.

Your Generosity

Our accomplishments, our plans, our dreams, and our vision are only possible through the generosity of our community, and the implementation of our professionals. We are deeply grateful as campers, staff, lay leaders, and friends for the enormous support from all of our constituencies. This report outlines much of our current work and future plans. We welcome your participation, your thoughts and feedback, and your support as we continue to enhance and evolve the Camp Ramah in California Journey for a Lifetime.

Respectfully and passionately,



Andrew I. Spitzer, MD
Chair, Board of Directors



Rabbi Joe Menashe
Executive Director

RAMAH'S MISSION

Camp Ramah in California creates religious educating communities in which campers and staff learn skills for a life committed to God, Torah, the Jewish people and tikkun olam. Such communities support and strengthen Jewish identity and experiences fostered in the home, the synagogue and the school.



1,600 **CAMPERS + STAFF** who
are part of the JOURNEY
FOR A LIFETIME each *kayitz*



45 **RETREAT GROUPS**
annually at the Zimmer Retreat
& Conference Center



מחנות רמה
Ramah
Camping Movement

PART OF A FAMILY
of 5 day camps and
10 overnight camps



Over 100 campers from Ramah California participate in
the **RAMAH ISRAEL SEMINAR** program each year



62 **YEAR TRACK RECORD**

MILESTONES

Over 1,600 campers and staff
in 2017 took part in their
Ramah Journey for a Lifetime.

Giving Tuesday #RamahRaisedMe
campaign engaged over 100 donors
who made gifts to support camper
scholarships.

The home of thousands of campers,
staff, alumni, and friends was
spared from the **Thomas Fire** due to
the heroic efforts of 200 firefighters.



Last summer, after a decade of paying our part of Ramah tuition annually, we were done! Our son Oryah had completed Machon the previous summer (mudhugs and all) and returned to us with a sense of commitment to Jewish life and leadership which was his own — anchored in what we and our Pico-Robertson community had offered — but nourished in ways we could never have done without camp. Mid-summer, our daughter Shachar rushed back from her DC internship to make it to second session as a Kochavim counselor to work with some of her favorite campers. I watched and listened as she unpacked her business attire, packed her camp clothes and talked passionately about what she hoped to inspire in her campers over the summer.

As Jewish educators, my husband Aryeh and I couldn't have asked for more — and as Jewish educators paying day school tuition certain years, college tuition others, paying full tuition for camp was a reach for us. During most of those years, financial aid helped us cover the gap. There was no question that as soon as we were done paying our own camp tuition, we would begin to pay it forward with monthly contributions to Camp Ramah's Scholarship Fund. We believe in the power of camp! It was important to us to help other families' children be part of the joy, growth and leadership training on which our kids were raised. This year Oryah joins the ranks of Mador. We can't wait to see what kind of counselor he will become!

— Andrea Hodos, Ramah Parent

429 CAMPERS
received scholarships
in 2017

\$653,215
AWARDED in
scholarships in 2017

530 friends, family, and community members joined us for our Gala Celebration which raised over \$500,000 for **Mercaz Yisrael**.

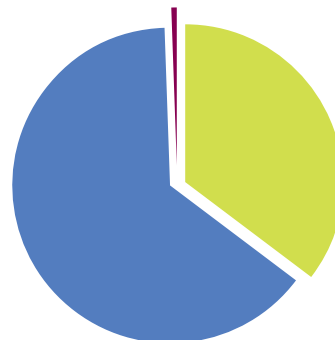
Over 500 donations were made to express gratitude to the Ventura County Professional Firefighter's Association and to our Fire Fund to help Ramah recover.

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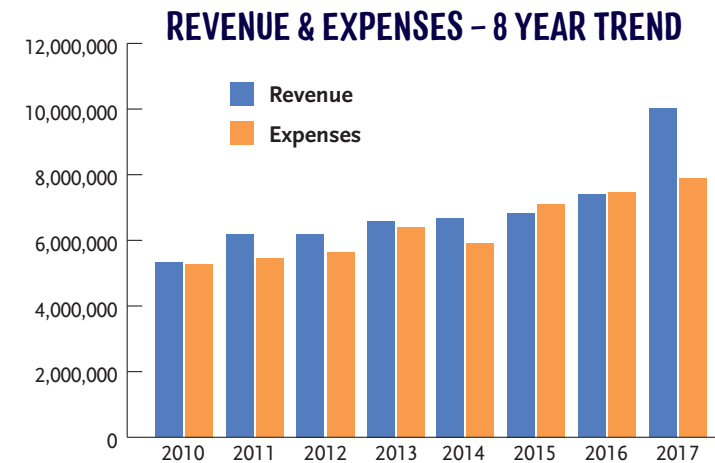
2017 REVENUE

Summer:	\$6,046,000
Non-Summer:	\$1,646,100
Contributions:	\$2,328,256



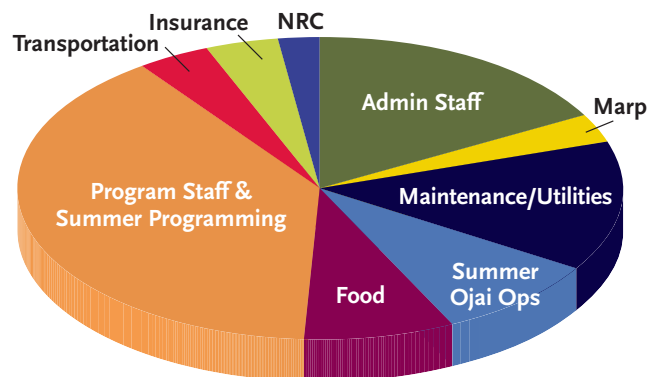
2017 EXPENSES

Program:	\$2,790,500
Operations:	\$5,052,000
Development:	\$42,200

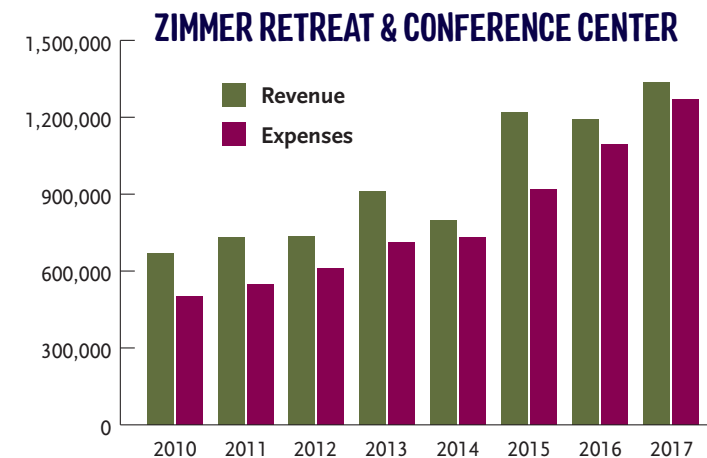


2017 FOUR-WEEK CAMPER FEE (\$5,095)

Total cost per camper: \$5,841



The difference in fees collected are funded by donations and year-round program enrollment.





CAMP RAMAH IN CALIFORNIA HONORS

Roz & Abner Goldstine

AND

Abby & Jonny Mars

ALUMNI LEADERSHIP AWARD

At our Gala we welcomed over 530 of our family, friends, and community members in celebrating two phenomenal couples: Roz & Abner Goldstine and Abby & Jonny Mars.

Thank you to all who joined us for creating and sustaining this community, and for joining us in celebrating the commitment of these two wonderful couples!

The celebration was a remarkable success, raising over \$500,000 and enabling Ramah to establish *Mercaz Yisrael*: Endowment for Israel Programming.

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Sandy & Bill Goodlick
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Sheila Baran Spiwak
& Alan Spiwak
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Lela & Dr. Norman Jacoby
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Sheila & Aaron Leibovic
Marilyn & Rabbi Alvin Mars
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Celebration Chair, Board of Directors

Lesley Wolman

Development Chair, Board of Directors

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Lisa & Victor Kohn
Julie & Marc Platt

DIRECTORS' CIRCLE

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Lela & Dr. Norman Jacoby
Tammy & Jay Levine

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Marilyn Ziering



ENDOWMENTS

Endowments have been established to provide support for scholarships and for the development of new programs without the necessity of increasing camp fees. Camp Ramah in California would like to thank all who have donated to our Ramah Scholarship Endowment Fund and to our Program Endowments. We would like to express our gratitude for those families who have established the following endowments:

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENTS

Anonymous Scholarship Endowment Fund
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Sam & Rosalie Barnett Scholarship Fund
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Shari & Michael Weiner Scholarship Endowment
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Whizin Scholarship Fund
Ziegler Scholarship Endowment Fund
Zimmer Scholarship Fund

PROGRAM ENDOWMENTS

The Barnhard Mador Young Leadership Endowment
Mercaz Yisrael: Endowment for Israel Programs
The Spitzer Family IKAR Endowment
The Spiwak Family Tikkun Olam Endowment
Tikvah Program Endowment
The Ziegler Tikvah Counselors' Endowment

OTHER ENDOWMENTS

June and Irving Brott Family Endowment
Nuritt & Elie Mechaly Facilities Beautification and Maintenance Endowment Fund
Art Williams Rosh Gesher Endowment
Hayom U'leTamid Endowment

DEDICATED FACILITIES

Albert Observatory
in memory of David Lawrence Albert

Jeff Astor Foundation Volleyball Court
in memory of Jeff Astor

Ballonoff Aron Hakodesh
in memory of Rabbi Martin A. Ballonoff

Bassan Heiser Lodge

Belzer Bunk Renovations

Beren Athletic Facility

Beren Family Parking Space

Robert M. Beren Tennis Center
in honor of his children & grandchildren & his sister, Lela Beren Jacoby & her children & grandchildren

Berg Commons
in honor of Al & Bess Berg

Golden-Berkley Family Shade Sail

Handball Court
in memory of Ilan Gabriel Biederman

Ma'agal Ilan
in memory of Ilan Gabriel Biederman

Braun Solar Facilities

Bressman Family Benches

Cohen-Farber-Lavender Families
 Solar Pool Heating

Cole Family Outdoor Sanctuary

Cooper Family Stairs

Deutsch-Kurland-Weiner Friendship Circle

Deutsch Boys' Showers

Rehov Deutsch

Dorff-Nelson Kikar Tzion Outdoor Sanctuary
in memory of Edith Judith Nelson

Elaine & Leo Dozoretz Prayer Area

Sunny & Harold Easton Prayer Area

Sidney Eichenbaum Soccer Field

Familian-Smalley Swimming Pool Facility
in memory of Sunny & Isadore Familian

Janet and Jake Farber Campgrounds at the
 Max and Pauline Zimmer Conference Center

Farber Baseball Field

Feinstein Plaza

Federman Hersh Administration Building

Fingerhut Chapel

Flax Art Center

Friedland Lodge

Friedman Library *in memory of Jack Lubeck*

Friendship Benches
*in honor of Tara & Jay Reisbaum,
 Sandi & Avi Schlesinger and
 Marci & Andrew Spitzer*

Friday Night Group Bench

Ner Tamid
given by the Gilberg and Lenz Families

Gilbert Basketball Benches
in memory of Dr. Spencer Gilbert

Gindi Chadar Ochel

Leone & Marvin Golden Prayer Area

Gonda Family Foundation Director's Office

Milton & Sandy Gordon & Family Prayer Area

Helene & Albert Greenfield Prayer Area

Greyber Family Bench

Greyber Family Retreat Center Suite

Hyman Kikar Lil

Jacoby Family Amphitheatre

Lela & Dr. Norman Jacoby Prayer Area

Janks Family Pool Slide Landing Area



Jefferson Health Center Ward
in honor of Irene, Elizabeth & Alexander Jefferson

Charlotte & Dr. Edward Kamenir Prayer Area

Kasirer Family Beit Midrash & Torah

Kitah Table
in memory of Dolores D. Kaye

Herman H. Kaye Medical Center

Kitchen Renovation
*given by the Farber, Gindi & Miller Families
 and the Martin F. Witkin Charitable Trust*

Labowe Bunks

Sara & Simha Lainer Prayer Area

Alon Binyamin
in memory of Ben J. Lax

Marp Suite
*in memory of the parents of
 Allan & Mary Lazaroff*

Lazaroff Camper Residence

Leibovic Family Kitah Table
in honor of Tova, Talia & Tori Leibovic

Aaron & Sheila Leibovic Family Pool

Leibovic Family Pool Slide

Shirley & Ted Levine Basketball Court
in memory of Ted Levine

Irene & Howard Levine Family Retreat Center

Levine Garden Patio
in memory of Phillip M. & Beatrice Levine

DEDICATED FACILITIES

Levine Canteen
 David & Esther Lieber Dining Hall
 Lincoff Nurse's Office
 Rehov Lincoff
 Adam Lipton Bunk Play Area
 Benjamin Lowy Remote Campground Trail
 Makom Nefesh
*in memory of Max and Sylvie Levine and
 Bernard and Evelyn Snyder, given by
 Allyn, Jeff, Deborah and Lauren Levine*
 Nuritt & Elie Mechaly Canteen
 Meskin Family Kitah Table
 Meskin Family Full Perimeter Trail Loop
 Meskin Family Ropes Course
 Miller Bunks
*in honor of the grandchildren
 of Judith & Louis G. Miller*
 Miller Bunks
in memory of Sally & Meyer Miller
 Judith & Louis Miller Gazebo
 Mount Sinai Memorial Park Reading Room
 Evelyn & Seymour Neuman Prayer Area
 Nessim Family Pool Deck
 Jack and Bel Ostrow Executive Dining Room
 Evelyn & John Pennish Prayer Area
 Platt Family Dance Patio
*in honor of Samantha, Jonah, Hannah,
 Benjamin & Henry Platt*
 Platt Family Parking Space
 Marjorie & Herman Platt Prayer Area
 Bea & Fred Reynolds Prayer Area
 Robin Camper Residence

Flagpoles
given by M. Harvey & Jean Powell
 Rochlin Camper Residence
 Original Tennis Court Facility
in memory of "Mikey"— Michael Lawrence Roston
 Salkin Family Tree House & Trail
 Janet & Maxwell H. Salter Prayer Area
 Helen & Raymond Sandler Prayer Area
 Schlessinger Family Gaga Court
 Schlessinger Family Kitah Table
 Schlessinger Family Shade Sail
 Schneider Family Gan
in honor of Cheyenne, Evan & Ivy Schneider
 Rehov Schneider
 Vera & Abraham A. Schnierow Prayer Area
 Schulman Nurse's Office
 Rehov Selter
 Rehov Shalom
*in memory of Dr. S. Salem Fabe
 by Brenda Fabe & Michael Adler*
 Silverman Doctor's Suite
 Ezra Dormitory Suite
in memory of Lana Berke Silverman
 Flora & Arnold Skovron Prayer Area
 Bea & Sam Smotrich Prayer Area
 Dr. Jacob Sokol Memorial
 Spitzer Heder Bishul
 Spiwak-Baran Staff Lounge
 Giborei Yisrael Beit Knesset
in memory of Jacob Hillel Stern
 Scott Stone Activity Field
in memory of Scott Noah Stone

Stone Family Ezra Program Dormitory
 Esther Strimling Prayer Area
 Tenenblatt Family Pool Slide
 Tikvah Beit Knesset *given by Sandy Gordon*
 Waterman Family Parking Space
 Evelyn & Seymour Waterman Prayer Area
 Flag Circle *in memory of Jerry L. Weber*
 Weiner-Finkelstein-Taff Family Beit Yaacov
*in memory of Jack A. Finkelstein and in honor
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 Weiner-Finkelstein-Taff Family Parking Space
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With this list, we endeavor to build a permanent record of the many camp facilities made possible through the generosity of committed donors. Recognizing that Camp Ramah in California has moved from its original site and that the use of various camp facilities has changed over time, we realize there may be some errors or omissions. We hope that you will help in our efforts by notifying us of additions, corrections or changes that should be made to the permanent record.

THANK YOU!

Camp Ramah in California is deeply grateful to The Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles. Through its Caring for Jews in Need, Ensuring the Jewish Future and Tour de Summer Camps. The Jewish Federation has continued to provide impactful and meaningful support for our Scholarship and Camp programs.



We want to highlight the various organizations, foundations, companies, and funds who have made an impact through their giving to Camp Ramah in 2017. We are so appreciative of their generosity and contributions, and are listed here below:

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Samuel & Helene Soref Foundation



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2017 DONORS

The following donors* have supported Camp Ramah through contributions to annual campaign, scholarship, Tikvah, summer programming, special projects, capital improvements, and capital campaign. Donors to campaigns or giving societies are also listed on the preceding pages. We are very grateful to all the members of our Ramah community who are committed to supporting our beloved camp!

 Denotes Legacy donors.

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DONORS
made

1,300
GIFTS

71%




INCREASE

in the total number
of donors in

2017

2017 GIFTS	TOTAL AMOUNT	
\$100,000+	2	\$373,000
\$10,000+	48	\$1,072,481
\$5,000+	57	\$299,615
\$1,000+	231	\$364,119
\$18+	1,021	\$219,394

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