





# **Lone Soldier Program**

Serving the heroes who serve us and supporting the parents of Lone Soldiers



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## **NEFESH B'NEFESH**



"Nefesh B'Nefesh in cooperation with the Israeli government and The Jewish Agency for Israel, is dedicated to revitalizing Aliyah from the USA and Canada by removing or minimizing the financial, professional, logistical and social obstacles of Aliyah and the move to Israel."

IDF Disclaimer: The role of Nefesh B'Nefesh and its partners is to assist new immigrants to Israel who are drafted to the IDF. It is not the objective, or part of the scope of operational activities of the organization or its partners to help recruit soldiers for the Israel Defense Forces.







# WHAT WE WILL TALK ABOUT

- Who we are?
- Lone Soldier Rights and Benefits
- Tips for Lone Soldier Parents
- Q&A





## **MEET THE LSP TEAM**



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# **UNIQUE NBN/FIDF LONE SOLDIERS PROGRAM**



24 / 7 Hotline - \*6563



Contractual Relationship with IDF



Financial Assistance



Advocacy – Connected to every Gov. Ministry



**Parents Connection and Support** 



Support soldiers during Iron Swords



Social Events and Programming



Post Army Counseling - Employment and Education (job board, network, mentors)









# LONE SOLDIER RIGHTS & BENEFITS





# **RIGHTS & BENEFITS - IDF**















# **HOUSING**









"ALACH" APARTMENTS



ADOPTIVE FAMILY

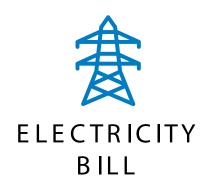


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# **RIGHTS & BENEFITS - GOVERNMENT**













#### **IDF WARTIME BENEFITS**

#### **Past**

#### **IDF Grants**

- 3000 NIS for released Lone Soldiers who couldn't use their flight voucher during service
- 3000 NIS for Lone Soldiers living in the North and South border communities
- 3000 NIS for active service combat soldiers

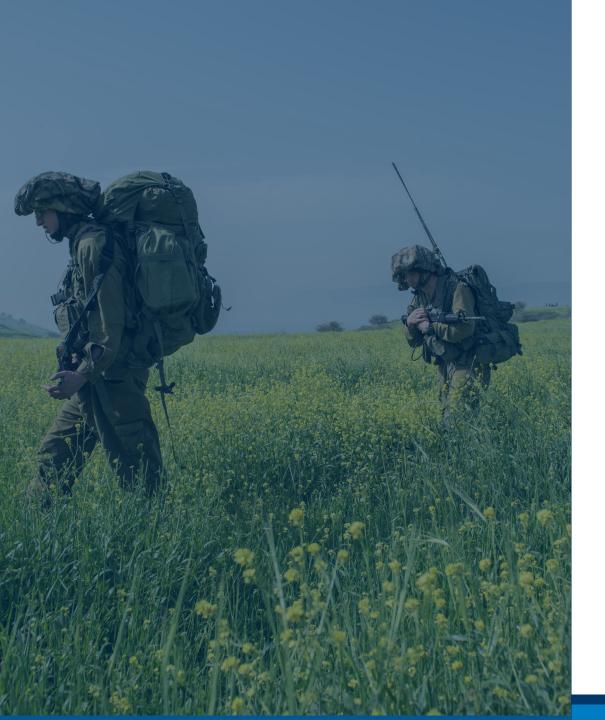
#### **Ongoing**

#### **Grants**

- Keren Hasiyua varying amounts for reserves duty soldiers
- Varying amounts for soldiers injured during the war
- 3000 NIS for released Lone Soldiers who couldn't use their flight voucher during service







# WARTIME EFFORTS





## **WARTIME EFFORTS**

- Made thousands of calls during the war to our soldiers.
- Recruited over 100 multilingual mental health professionals' volunteers.
- Established a logistics support center for Lone Soldiers who requested logistical assistance, such as warm clothing, blankets, transportation, and more.
- Provided in-person support and visited soldiers at Michve Alon Base.
- Handled hundreds of inquiries from abroad regarding Aliyah and IDF service.

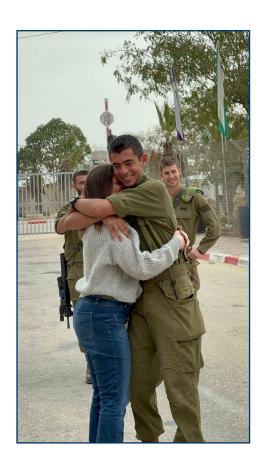
#### Additional Support for Lone Soldier Families:

- Established a 24/7 hotline for Lone Soldier's parents, providing answers and emotional support.
- Operation hug
- Hosted total of 14 webinars with the IDF Spokesperson Unit and mental health professionals
- We held six parent gatherings in Israel to support parents of Lone Soldiers





# **OPERATION HUG**











#### **TIPS AND THOUGHTS**

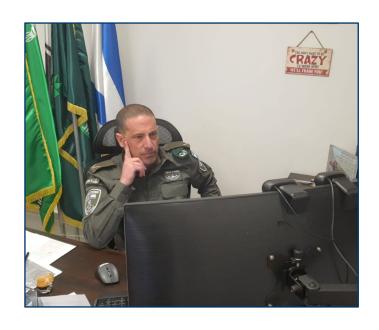


**Expectations vs Reality** 

- (i) Information is Power
- Remote Parenting and communicating with your Chayal/Chayelet
- Teach them to actively pursue their rights
- Mixed Feelings
- The LSP Team is here for your soldiers!



# **PARENTS CONNECTION EVENING**









### **PARENTS OF LONE SOLDIERS**



Webinars & Seminars



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**NEWSLETTER** 



PARENTS HOTLINE:

Abroad: +1 201-605-7440







#### **MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES**



# Army Mental Health Professional (FREE) \*6690 Ext.3

#### Better Help (6 MONTHS FREE)

Online Mental Health Professionals from North America

#### Eran ער"ן - Emotional First Aid (FREE)

Hotline Hebrew: 1201

Hotline English, Russian, Spanish, French, or

Amharic: \*3201

WhatsApp: +972 52-845-1201

#### Get Help Israel (PRIVATE 150 SHEKELS)

\*150 shekel per session





#### **IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

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#### **Hotline for Soldiers**

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# **THANK YOU!**

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