



ACHIEVEMENTS

2022

Youth Renewal Fund

Youth Renewal Fund, founded in 1989, is the US philanthropic and strategic funding partner to Darca Schools, the #1 educational network in Israel.

Together, Youth Renewal Fund and Darca are strengthening Israel's underserved communities by providing students living in Israel's geosocial periphery with an education that is not only comparable to, but exceeds the educational experience of their peers living in more affluent communities.

TheMarker

The Top High School Network in Israel: Ministry of Education Rankings Revealed

The Ministry of Education compiled, for the first time, data on the achievements of students attending private education networks that operate hundreds of high schools and that are funded with billions of NIS per year By: Lior Datal | April 24, 2017

The government channels billions of NIS to private education networks that operate high schools but until now has never known whether these large budgets are justified. Data compiled by the Ministry of Education for the first time on the achievements of the networks reveal that most networks find it difficult to reach achievements which justify their budgets.

The education system believes that the new ranking will change the balance of powers in the high school system, and may result in a transfer of high schools in the networks - either amongst themselves or among local authorities. The Ministry of Education wishes to establish the new system in order to replace the schools' operators that are not functioning adequately or whose achievements are low.

"Ranking first in the averages of the parameters reviewed by the Ministry of Education is the Darca Network...which also achieved the highest scores in most of the Ministry of Education individual parameters."

A letter sent by Director General of the Ministry of Education Shmuel Abuhav, to the heads of the local authorities states that a comprehensive review conducted by the Ministry of Education, whose results are published here for the first time, revealed "no significant advantage to private operation (education network) over operation by the local authority. We identify throughout the continuum ownership that performs well, alongside ownership



The Ministry of Education instructed all local authorities to hold, within two years, new tenders for the operation of high schools in their jurisdiction that are managed by education networks. The authorities were also instructed to emphasize data on quality of the networks that are now being published. The data is based on eligibility for matriculation certificate, dropout rates, excellence in matriculation exams and other data, as well as the percentage of students in five-unit matriculation math and English and school atmosphere. In Jewish schools, the Ministry of Education also examined IDF recruitment rates. The goal being to cause the authorities to invest the budget they receive from the Ministry of Education in educational networks that were found to be top notch, and to replace schools operators that are dysfunctional, or with poor performance.

In order to rank the networks, the Ministry of Education reviewed the accomplishments of every school operated by educational network for at least three years, and weighed the achievements into a total score in each parameter. At the same time, the data

The Darca Vision



Israeli gaps in education are growing, locking disadvantaged youth into a cycle of poverty and threatening the nation's prospering economy. The continued health of Israel's social fabric and booming economy, now, more than ever, is dependent on a generation of young leaders coming from the state's underserved communities.

The Darca network's vision states that every child in Israel's school system has the right to realise his potential for excellence regardless of his place of residence, parents' education, or any other environmental factor.

Our mission is to strengthen the underserved society in Israel's periphery, by creating a groundbreaking enriched and efficient educational system. We serve all sectors of the Israeli population regardless of their religion or political affiliations. In Darca schools, students gain access to an educational experience comparable to that available in the wealthier communities thus bridging the vast gaps in Israeli society.

Darca is anchoring further and better Humanistic-Jewish-Democratic values, tolerance and active participation in national and community life.

The Darca network serves all sectors of the Israeli population; operating and managing 45 schools and learning centers nationwide, in addition to intervention programs in 20 elementary schools.



Stats & Figures



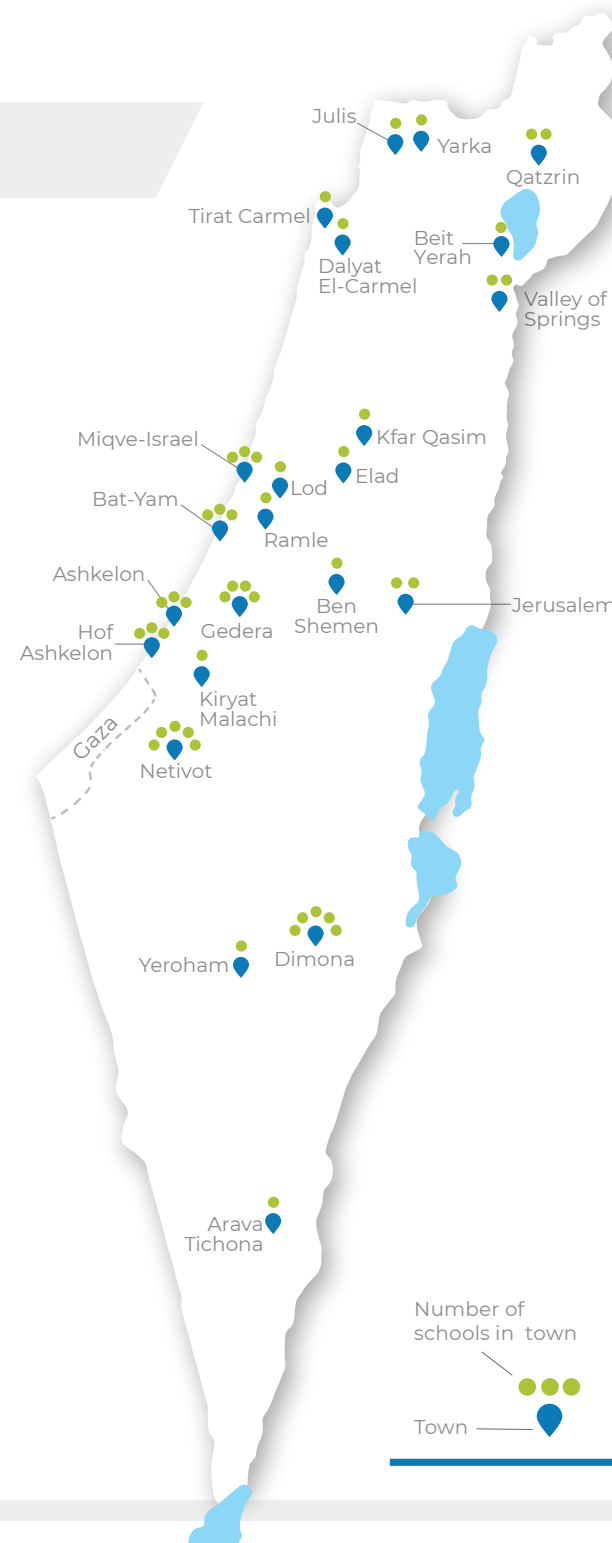
93.5 % of Darca's Students Pass the Bagrut

2,876 Teachers

25,277 Student Outreach

45 Institutions

185M Budget in USD



The Darca Way · Start-Up Education



DISRUPTIVE INNOVATION

Darca Schools is driving positive sustainable change from within the education system in Israel's geosocial periphery.



Unlike other networks, 100% of state-financing goes directly to our schools + we add **15% in philanthropic funds** to level the playing field.



We identified **principals as the cornerstones** for schools' transformation. We thereby focus our resources and guidance on enhancing them and their leading team's ability to dream and drive success.



Students benefit from **cutting-edge pedagogical innovation** giving them the tools they need to succeed in the 21st century.



We are the sole school network operating **exclusively in Israel's geosocial periphery.**

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REMARKABLE RESULTS

Darca has established itself as **Israel's #1 school network**, according to statistics published by Israel's Ministry of Education.



Unprecedented
93.5% network-wide
matriculation rate.



More than **60%** of
Darca schools receive
top-rank recognition
by Israel's Ministry of
Education.



97% of graduates
go on to significantly
contribute to Israeli
society.

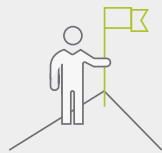


Darca's unique model
and remarkable results
are placing system-
wide pressure on
competing networks to
adjust their standards
and models.

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EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP



Darca's senior management team bring with them decades of excellence in the field. We prioritize nurturing market leaders to oversee each professional field - from school principals and teachers to pedagogy, finance and technology, our teams are seasoned experts of the highest caliber.



PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS



Our board members and our partners have established track records both as leading philanthropists and some of the best business people in the world.

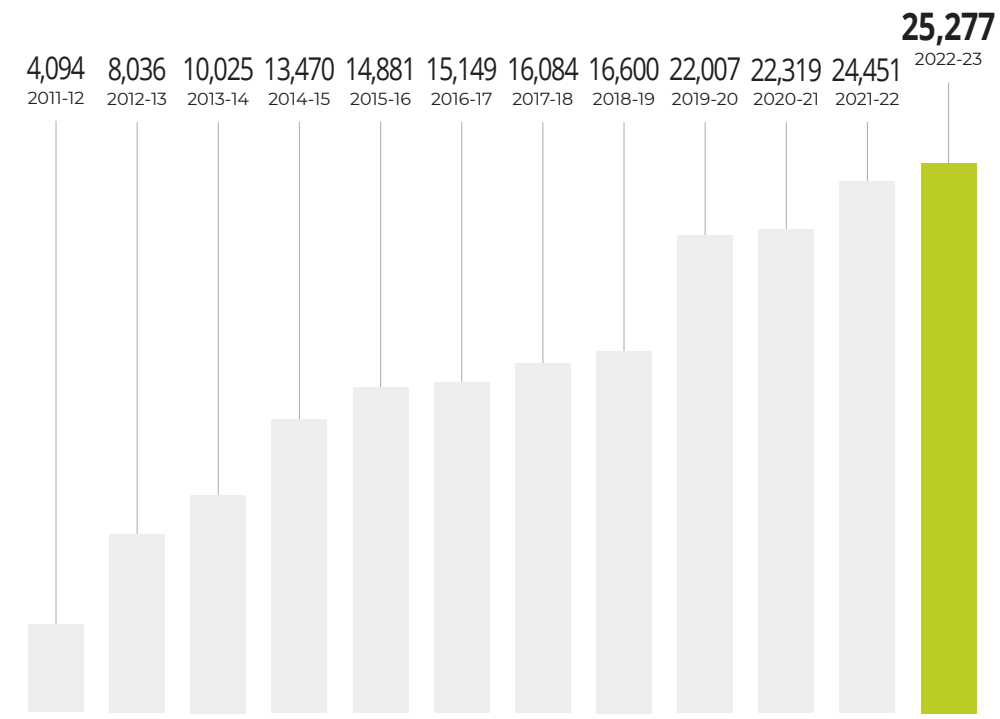


THE 100% MODEL

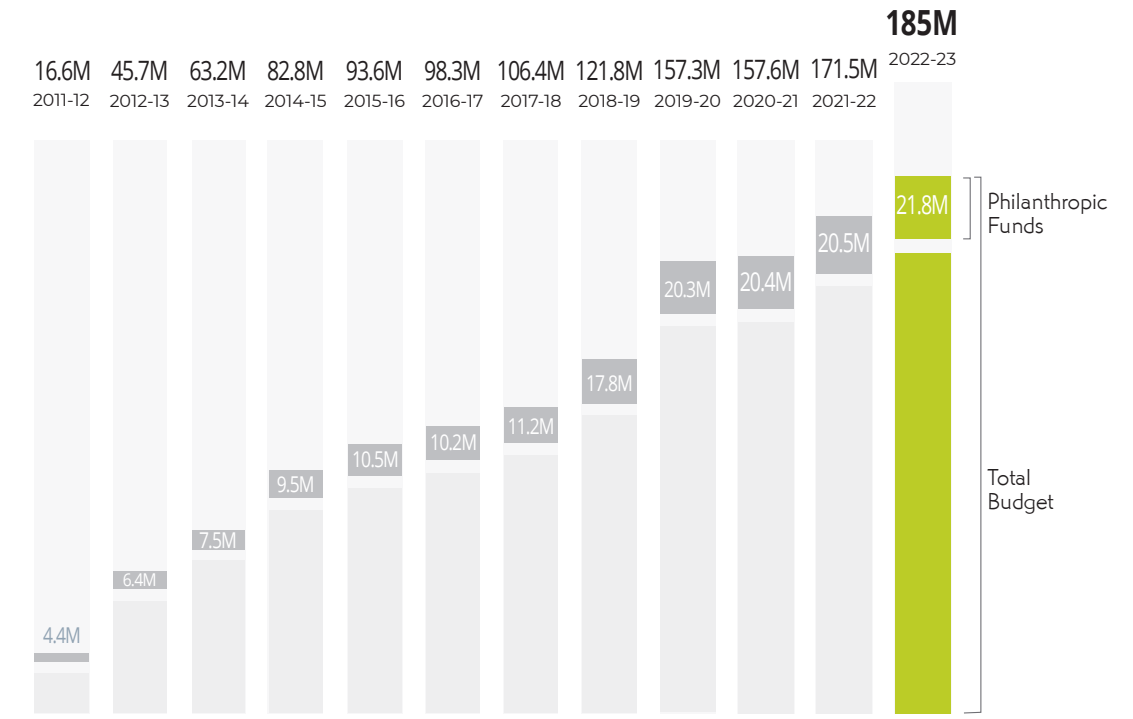


We rely on a small group of generous private donors to fund all of our operating expenses, so 100% of your money goes further than ever before to benefit those that need it most.

Darca's Growth

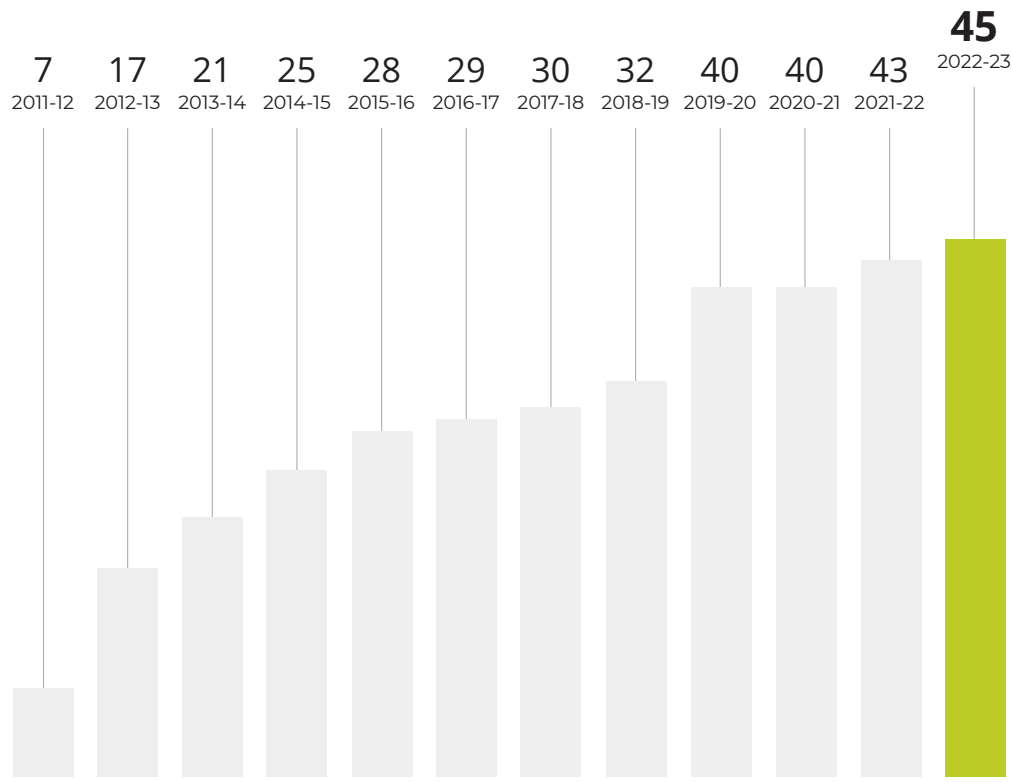


Number of Students

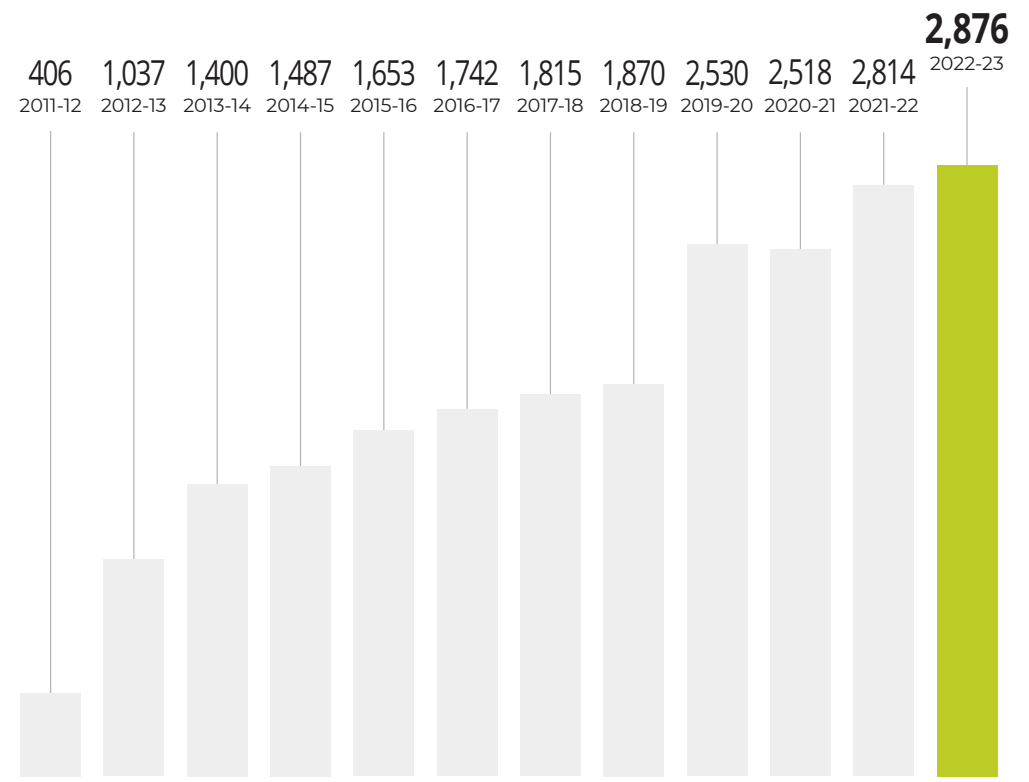


Budget in USD

Darca's Growth

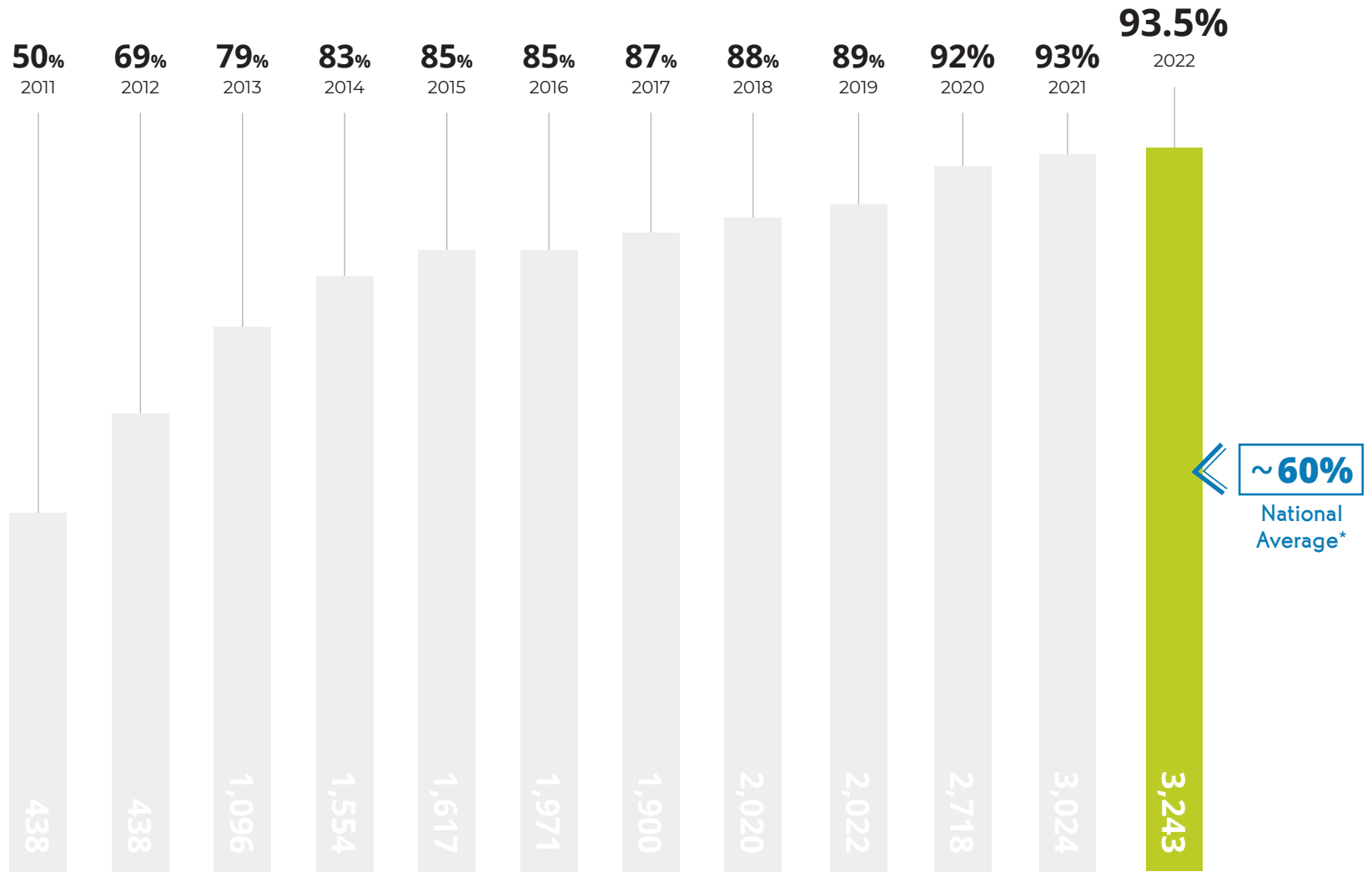


Number of Institutions



Number of Teachers

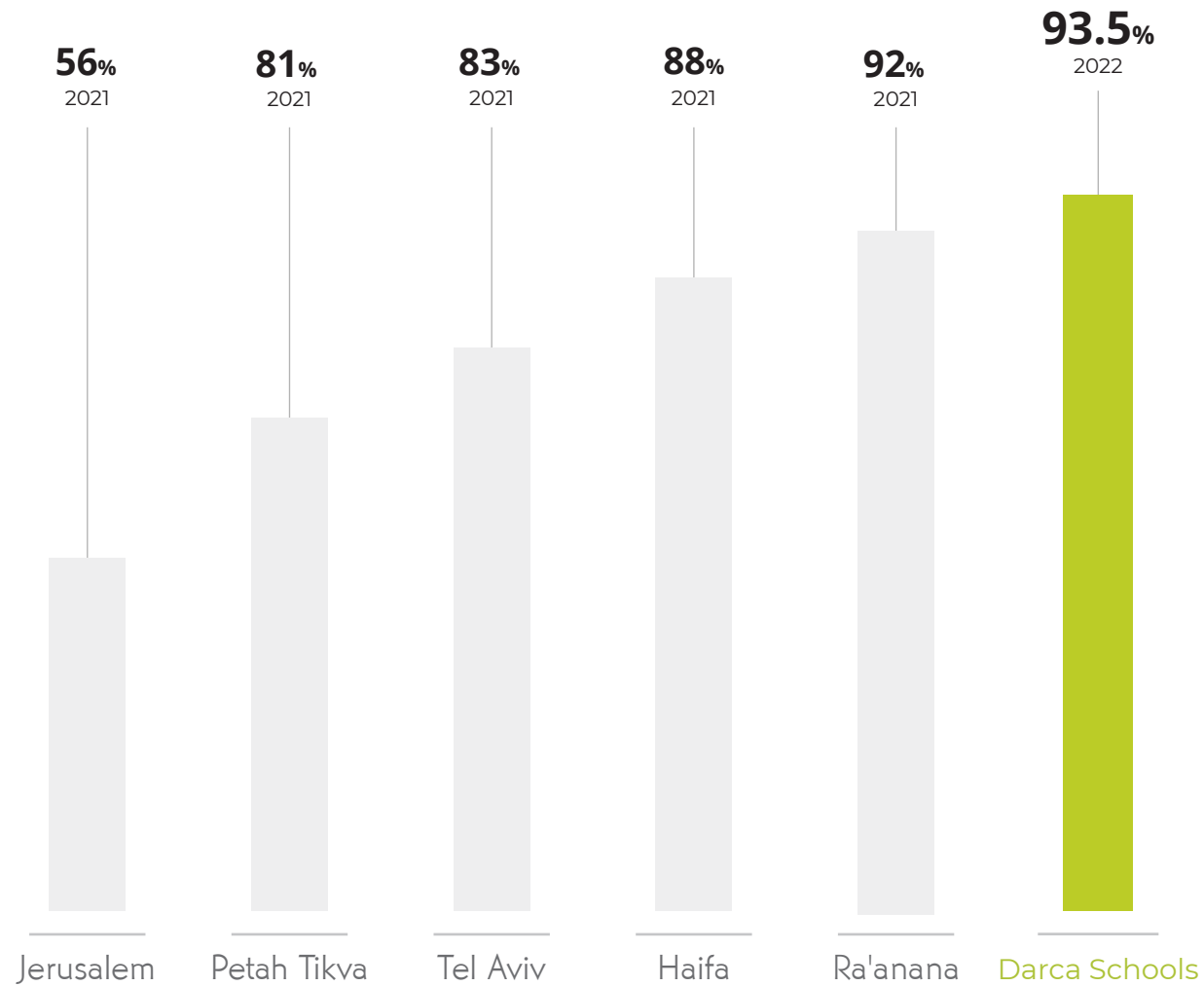
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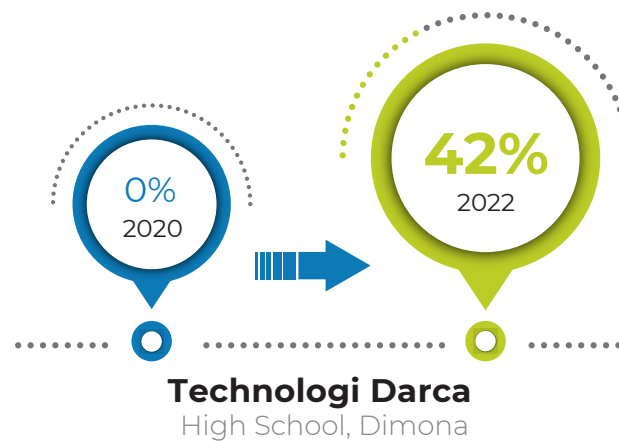
Number of Graduates

* Haaretz, Sept. 2022

Darca Schools VS Large Communities



Success Stories



100% Results

LIST OF SCHOOLS
WITH A
100%
BAGRUT
SUCCESS RATE

Hammer Darca High School Bat Yam

Netivei Noam Darca Religious Educational Campus Gedera

Yeshivat Bnei Issachar Darca High School Hof Ashkelon

Darca Sapir Yeruham

Rene Cassin Darca Jerusalem

Darca Druze High School for Science and Leadership Yarka

Maxim Levy Darca High School Lod

Darca Yitzhak Navon Netivot

Yeshivat Darca Netivot

MoE Top-Ranked Schools 2022

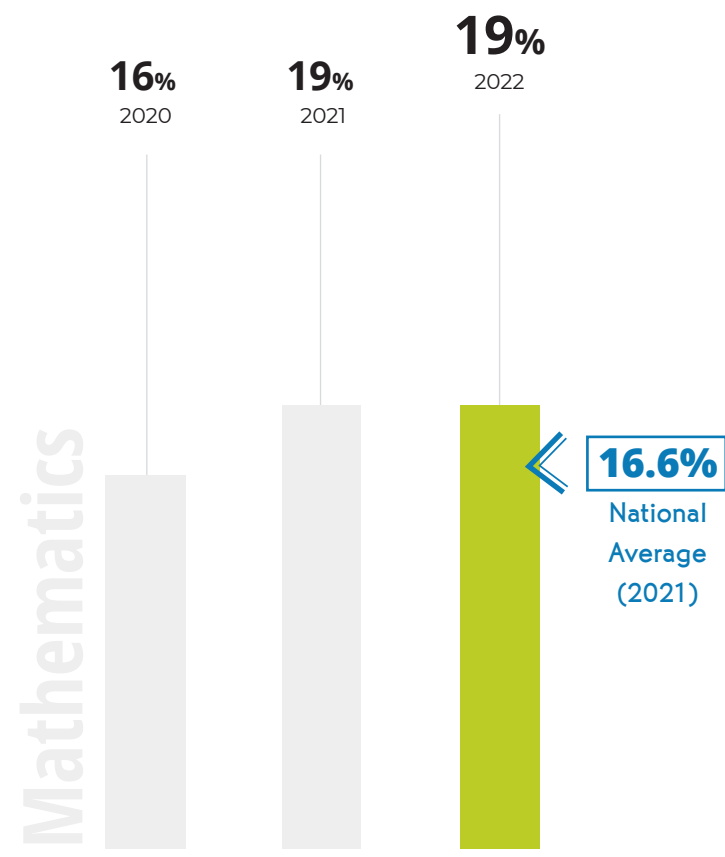
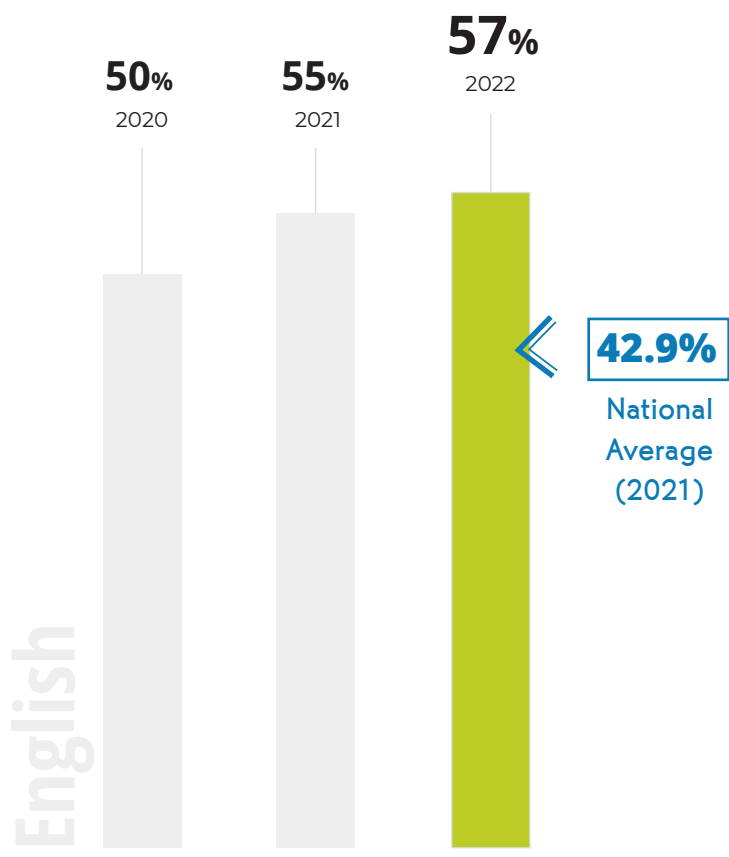
23 DARCA SCHOOLS RECEIVED TOP-RANKED RECOGNITION FROM ISRAEL'S MINISTRY OF EDUCATION.
THIS AWARD REFLECTS THEIR EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS, AND IN CULTIVATING STUDENTS' VALUES AND SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT.



Darca Nachala Ulpana School, Elad
Makif He' Darca, Ashkelon
Makif Daled Darca, Ashkelon
Darca New High School, Bat Yam
Darca Ilan and Asaf Ramon High School, Gedera
Netivei Noam Darca Religious
Educational Campus, Gedera
Darca Menachem Begin High School, Gedera
Darca Julis
Zinman Darca High School, Dimona
Liheman Darca High School, Dimona
Makif Darca, Daliyat al-Karmel

Shikma Darca High School, Hof Ashkelon
Yeshivat Bnei Issachar Darca High School, Hof Ashkelon
Darca Sapir, Yeruham
Rene Cassin Darca, Jerusalem
Darca Hammer, Netivot
Darca Ulpana, Netivot
Darca Yitzhak Navon, Netivot
Yeshivat Darca, Netivot
Geon HaYarden Darca school, Valley of Springs
Shaked Darca Secondary School, Valley of Springs
Miqve Israel – France-Israel School, Holon

5 Credits



Highlights



DARCA HS FOR SCIENCE AND LEADERSHIP, KFAR QASIM

Established new Arab-sector school to serve as a model institution catalyzing systematic change



THE ODEM PROGRAM, KATSRIN

Selected to manage this new joint initiative of Israel's Defense and Education ministries, training Israel's next generation of technological defense cadets, and future leaders in the State's booming Hi-Tech sector



EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP ACCELERATOR

Following a successful pilot year, Darca launched the Program's second year in partnership with the Avney Rosh Institute



FRC HOUSTON CHAMPIONSHIP

The robotics delegation of the Darca Zinman High School in Dimona travelled to Houston and won an international award



PRESIDENT'S CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE

Sargeant Halila Overton, a graduate of Darca's Achva HS in Dimona and female combat soldier in the Lions of the Jordan Valley Battalion, received prestigious recognition

Darca Achievements in the Media

BE106 גדרה

חולה טל, מנהלת דרכא בנין, זכתה בפרס מנהלת מצטיינת של מחוז מרכז של משרד החינוך ועלתה לשלב הארצי

לדברי ראש המועצה, קבלת הפרס זו מראה את ההשקעה הרבה במסגרת החינוכית שהביאה את תיכון דרכא בנין למצוינות ולאחוזי זכייה גבוהים לזכרון העומדים על 198%.

החילה טל, מנהלת דרכא בנין, זכתה בפרס מנהלת מצטיינת של מחוז מרכז ועולה לשלב הארצי.

משרד החינוך הכיר על שמות המנצחים בפרס שבדי-הוראה המצטיינת במחוז מרכז בהן נמצאת החולה טל, מנהלת תיכון דרכא בנין בגדרה. את ההזדהות קבלה בסיוע השבועונים עליה לשלב הארצי.

יש לזכור כי בית הספר בהובלתה של טל, זוכה בשנים האחרונות במספר זכייה בפרס בתחום אחידות ויציבות ופרס על מעט לשפר את חונו המבנים ביתר הכבוד. בית הספר לחיות בין 313 בתי הספר העליונים בגוש דרום המצטיינים בתחרות ארצית בתחום הספורט והביטחון ועוד.

השנה, לראשונה, מוענק פרס חינוך למנהלים ולמנהלת פורצת דרך על תרומה ייחודית לחינוך ולמדיו של כל התלמידים. במימון מנהלים, המנהלים רואים את המערכת על מנת לשפר את חונו המבנים בתיים החברים הדוקים למען הצלחתם של כל התלמידים.

הפרס מוענק למנהלים על מספר תחומים מרכזיים: פדגוגיה, חובות אישיות, אקלים חינוכי מיטב, זוגיות בתי הספר הנבחרים וכו' בפרס המשותף ובעת מסומנים לפרס חינוך ארצי.

ד"ר ירון דרכא בנין למצוינות ולאחוזי זכייה גבוהים לזכרון העומדים על 198% פרס זה הוא בהמשך מסורת בתי הספר דרכא בנין דרכא נועם, דרכא רחוק, דרכא נוביס.

העולם הבוקר

היסטוריה בדימונה רכזת השכבה שהוציאה מאה אחוז זכאים לבגרות

20.22

איים של תקווה

מח"ט דרכא, דימונה

ISRAËL

Les écoles Darca : une réussite exemplaire

Depuis plus d'une décennie, l'Association à but non lucratif Darca finance des écoles dans la périphérie plus favorisées du pays.

Le taux de réussite au baccalauréat des lycées israéliens vient d'être publié : alors que la moyenne nationale de réussite au baccalauréat se situe à 60%, le réseau scolaire Darca affiche un taux de réussite avoisinant les 94%.

Pour réaliser ses objectifs ambitieux, Darca bénéficie de la présence de professionnels du monde des affaires au sein de son Conseil d'Administration, tels que M. Jimmy Florin, fondateur de la filiale israélienne du groupe bancaire Rothschild, M. Marc Rowan, président du groupe de gestion d'actifs Apollo Global Management et M. Sam Katz, fondateur du groupe IZM qui contribue financièrement à son succès, mais apportent également le savoir-faire commercial et les conseils avisés nécessaires à sa réussite.

Il est à noter qu'il existe en Israël quelques 1000 établissements secondaires et que tous bénéficient d'une allocation budgétaire identique d'une hauteur de 500 NIS par élève versé par le Ministère de l'Éducation. Cependant, tous les établissements reçoivent le même financement par élève, mais avec des résultats très différents. Les plus riches des municipalités reçoivent également le budget le plus élevé.

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Nonprofits & NGOs

Buy to Build: Nonprofit M&A as an Impact Enhancer

Mergers among nonprofits don't have to be distress-oriented deals of survival. Rather, M&A can offer some compelling opportunities that are unique to nonprofits.

By Gil Perag | Feb. 28, 2022

From left to right: Dr. Gil Perag, CEO of Darca Schools; Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Gabi Ashkenazi, former CIO of General Staff and Chairman of Raubi Foundation; Mr. Marc Rowan, CEO of Apollo Global Management and chairman of YDF; Ms. Danna Azrieli, chair of Azrieli Group and chair of Azrieli Foundation Israel. (Photo: YDF)

כבר שונים בראש: תיכון דרכא בירכא

גם השנה חובכת החינוך למדעים של רשת דרכא בירכא ירכא עם מאה אחוזי זכאים לבגרות במתמטיקה. למי שמעדיף חינוך בית הספר בבגרות על מישור השני, שהצליח לחולל, בין השאר, בזכות לבגרות. במסגרת נשירה, קבליטת תלמידי חינוך ייחודי ופרס "למנהלתו" שהיה "בית הספר דרכא בנין בצמוד בתי הספר המצטיינים בכל חוגי החינוך של הרשות הדרוזית. מה שהחליף בחישוב מוצרי דרך של בית הספר שלנו המצטיינים למעשה גם על המבנה המצוינות החינוכית של הנהלתו. בקנה מידה ארצי". כשהוא נשאל מה עניינתו בקנה מידה ארצי, גבאי אשכנזי בשיחה עם התקשורת ותלמידים.

איך נראה היום הראשון ללימודים ברחבי הארץ?

ישיר, כבר קאס

PRIVATE EQUITY NEWS

Education reform through a private equity lens

The industry's value-creating model can help schools prepare the next generation of critical thinkers and innovators

By Marc Rowan and Gil Perag

Thursday May 27, 2021 9:43 am

Prior to the pandemic, one of the biggest inhibitors to growth was the availability of qualified candidates. The US economy had reached "full employment", while the unemployment rate in the UK hit its lowest level since 1975. But at a portfolio company level, investors could appreciate the challenge wasn't merely about finding people.

רנית מור

כיצד יצרו מהפך חינוכי בעיר דימונה ולהביאו את מערכת החינוך כולה להישגים ולחדשנות חינוכית ברמה בינלאומית?

חזנה של קור אדלרס ראשות העיר התגשם: מי שמסתובב במינס אלה בבתי הספר של דימונה ירגיש שהוא בעולם עתידי: חכמים, רובוטים, מרחבי למידה מתקדמים, ילמור, תעופה, מפגשים וירטואליים ומציאות ברורה. בזכות חזנה של אישה אחת, רבקה בוכריס, נאמנה של קור אדלרס, והובלה של מנהיגות העיר כמילות נבואה. הקמת מרחבי הלימוד החדשים יוצא דופן בתום שלוש שנות פעילות סקורה, ערכים, מנהיגות, חשיבה ביקורתית, עבודת צוות, קבלת החלטות, מימוניות בתחום המדע, הטכנולוגיה, הנדסה המתכות - קור אדלרס מצאה כיצד נונטיס בליבס של ליינס בעיר דימונה ומובילים אותם להישגים מרשימים המתאמים לרמה בינלאומית.

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ישראל היום

ישותלמיד יתבייש לאכזב אתר באיונים

זהו בית הספר שדורג במקום הראשון בשיעור הזכאות לחמש יחידות בגרות באנגלית ובמתמטיקה בישראל

ההצלחה הממשכת בשנים האחרונות של תיכון ירכא למדעים ולמנהיגות שדורגה קודם כל למנהיגות ולמורים שסמכותם לדך הגבוהה - והם עושים זאת עם הרבה אהבה ותלמידים - מהו סוד ההצלחה?

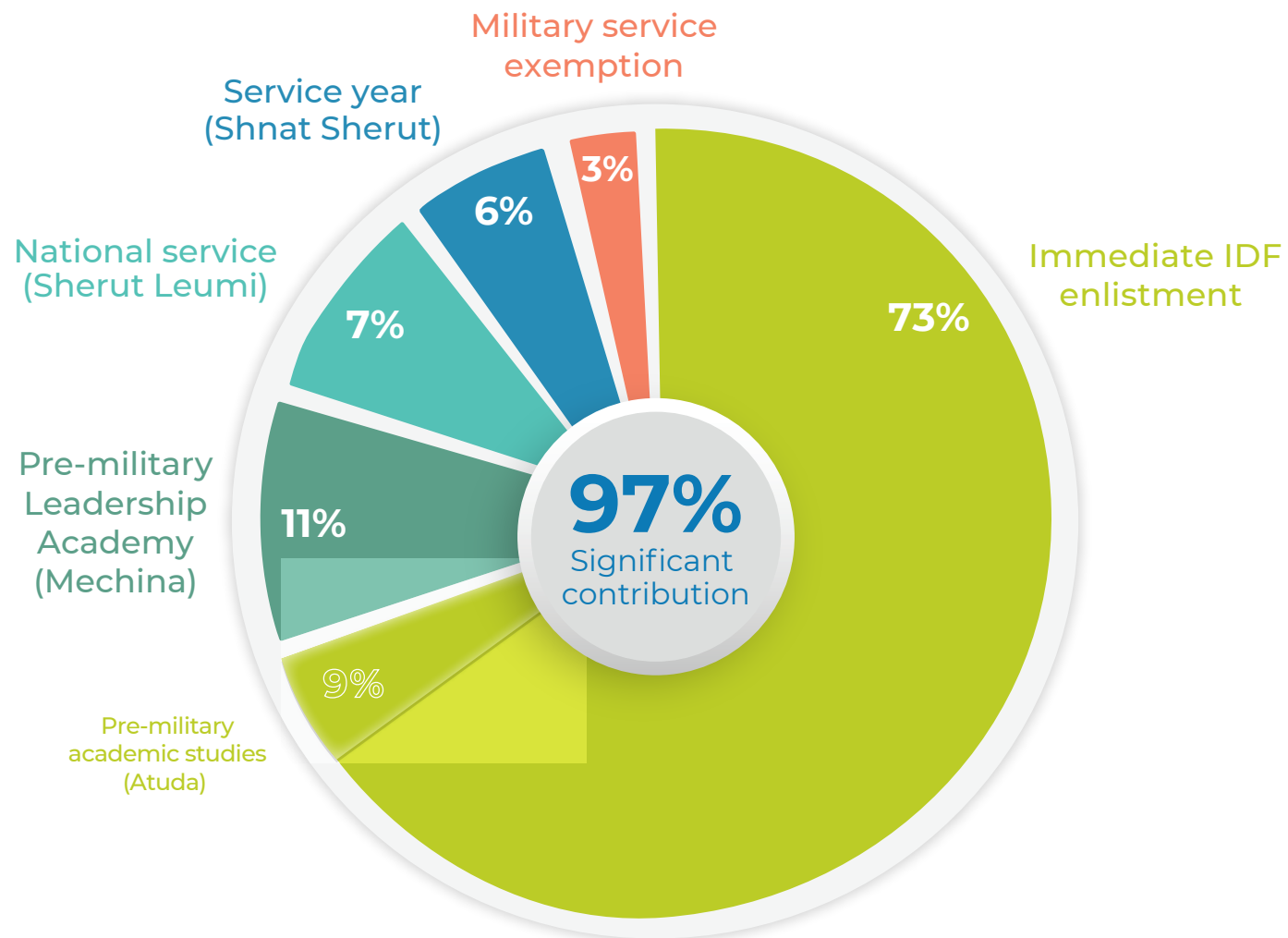
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The mechatronics track, meaning drone building track, was established here in a Yeruham high school.

The Flying Class Girls from Yeruham on the way to the important time limit.

Darca Graduates 2022



Additional Intervention Programs

In light of Darca's exceptional success on the post-primary level, the network has been approached by numerous educational municipalities to operate intervention programs on the elementary level.



Elementary School
Holistic Intervention

5,664
Students

20
Elementary
Schools

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Darca's Key Philanthropic Partners



Youth Renewal Fund, established in 1989, invests in innovative education throughout Israel's most under-served communities as a means of improving social mobility.



Fulfilling the philanthropic legacy of David J. Azrieli z"l, the Azrieli Foundation Israel is dedicated to strengthening Israeli society by advancing initiatives in the fields of education, medical and scientific research, community, welfare, arts and culture.



The Gerald and Gail Ronson Family Foundation was established to help socially disadvantaged people. Since the 1960s, the family has empowered thousands of people in the UK and Israel to build better lives for themselves and their communities.



Established in 2006 by André Deloro z"l, the Adelis Foundation aspires to make a meaningful impact on the lives of Israeli citizens and strengthen Israel as a successful, secure, and prosperous nation by operating in the following key areas: scientific and medical research, education, and social welfare.



Established in 1984 by Gustav Leven z"l, the Rashi Foundation is an independent, private philanthropic foundation dedicated to assisting the underprivileged in Israel, particularly children and youth. Co-founders of Darca Schools.



Alliance - Kol Israel Haverim (KIAH) is a leading educational organization in Israel, and part of the Alliance Israélite Universelle organization that was established in 1860 in France in order to promote solidarity among Jews worldwide. Co-founders of Darca Schools.

Cultivating Change in the Periphery

Darca continues to grow, flourish, and expand its activities serving the many diverse communities in Israeli society. We invite you to visit our schools and witness the realization of our vision in action. Partners who choose to share in Darca's meaningful ongoing process will have significant influences on the future of students in Israel.

To coordinate a meeting or a visit please contact us at:

www.youthrenewalfund.org or 212.207.3195



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