

Synagogue Partnership Opportunities with Youth Renewal Fund & Darca Schools

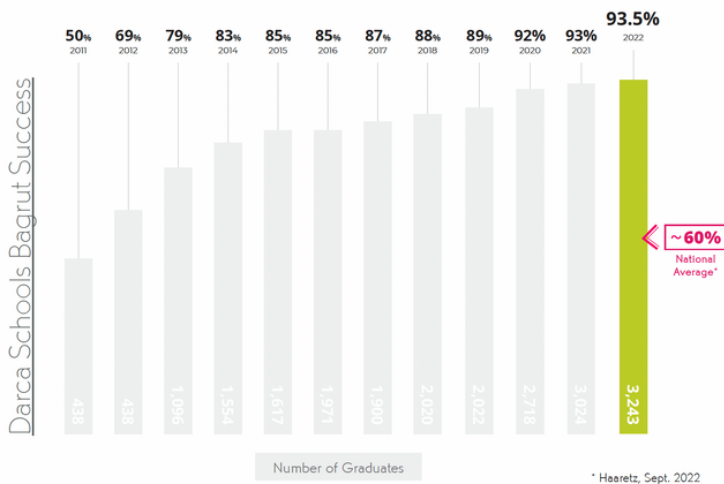
About Youth Renewal Fund:

YRF is the philanthropic funding partner for Darca Schools in Israel, investing in innovative education throughout Israel's most underserved communities to improve social mobility.

About Darca Schools:

Since its inception in 2010, Darca has established itself as Israel's leading school network, according to statistics published by Israel's Ministry of Education. Darca strengthens underserved communities in Israel's periphery by creating and operating groundbreaking, enriching, and efficient educational frameworks for more than 25,000 students in 45 high schools nationwide. It narrows significant gaps in Israeli society by elevating and empowering underserved children in the geographic periphery who lag far behind their peers in affluent central cities.

Matriculation Rates:



Darca Schools Map:



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.



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

Synagogue Participation Opportunities:

1. Hear From Our CEO:

Invite our YRF & Darca CEO, Dr. Gil Pereg, to speak at your synagogue

With his many academic achievements in mind & his decades-long career education, Dr. Pereg truly understands the fundamentals of the Israeli educational sector and the need for equitable education – especially within Israel’s most underserved communities – for all Israeli students, regardless of religion or ethnicity.

As the current CEO of both Youth Renewal Fund & Darca Schools, Dr. Pereg can speak intelligently and passionately to your congregation or teen/youth groups about how we are changing the educational landscape in Israel.

2. Make YRF Your Mitzvah Project:

Celebrating a Bar/Bat Mitzvah or getting married? Looking for an idea for your Mitzvah Project? YRF would love to partner with your synagogue to help congregants come up with a way that they can incorporate Youth Renewal Fund into their big day!

Some examples include raising money for STEM/Robotics programs, purchasing instruments and supplies for music & performing arts programs, and sponsoring our Darca student delegations to travel to the US for various conferences or competitions.

If a congregant is interested in YRF for their Mitzvah Project, you can connect them with a member of our YRF Team, where we can set up a one-on-one meeting with them to give them more information about what we do, and talk through a project idea that feels right for them.

3. Visit Our Darca Schools in Israel

If your synagogue already brings congregants to Israel each year, consider arranging a visit to one of our Darca High Schools. Our schools are located all throughout Israel – from the very north in the Golan Heights, all the way to the south of the country.

Stepping foot at our schools, speaking with our 7-12th grade students, and seeing our work first-hand will truly inspire your congregants and show them how YRF & Darca are truly transforming the educational landscape in Israel.

If you’d like to explore the option of visiting our Darca Schools on your synagogue’s mission trip, please reach out to our YRF Team and we can set-up a Zoom meeting with both our US Staff and Darca’s Team in Israel to talk through logistics and make this possible.