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Tour of KKL-JNF Projects in Israel
and Partnership Opportunities

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Welcome to KKL-JNF’s Israel!

On behalf of the KKL-JNF Board of Directors, Danny Atar, World Chairman and Dr. Uzi Landau, World Co-Chairman, we extend a hearty welcome to the JNF Canada Professional Team.

We are honored to host you on a tour of KKL-JNF projects in Israel, many of which have been made possible through the generous support of friends in Canada.

With our collective fingers on the pulse of the nation, JNF Canada and KKL-JNF continue to identify the needs of specific regions and develop projects for the benefit of Israel’s people and the environment. Whatever the challenges faced by Israel and at whatever time, you, JNF Canada, have been steadfast and consistent in your support, employing your talent and skills to promote KKL-JNF activities and projects that help ensure a sustainable future for Israel. We trust you will take pride in seeing the projects you have made possible and enjoy exploring further possibilities for adopting projects that will impact on the quality of the lives of the people they serve.

In addition to information on the sites and projects visited, you will find information on projects that are available for donation as well as those specifically offered to Canada for promotion.

More details about the projects mentioned herein can be found on the KKL-JNF Partnership website: http://hanof.kkl.org.il/partnership/

Please keep in mind that no information concerning a project is to be forwarded to a donor before verifying its availability and contribution status with the JNF Canada Desk in Israel.

Wishing you an enjoyable and fruitful visit!

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Galilee

The natural and planted woodlands developed by KKL-JNF beautifies the Galilee and draws thousands of visitors each year to its scenic routes and lookouts, hiking trails and picnic and recreation areas, where a wealth of wildlife and seasonal blooms abound. Scenic lookouts are perfect spots for taking a break from long drives and enjoying breathtaking panoramic views. As part of its policy to help peripheral communities, KKL-JNF develops various sites in the Galilee to attract tourism, a major economic mainstay of the region. KKL-JNF is a partner in developing many western Galilee areas, as well, including parks in Nahariya and Akko, botanical gardens, forest sites and security and scenic roads. All this development serves to provide the best possible quality of life for the northern periphery’s residents and helps turn the region into one that attracts new populations who choose to make the Galilee their home.

Akko

Akko, one of Israel’s most ancient cities, historically served as a major port in the north. Akko has a mixed population of 50,000 Jews, Muslims, Christians, Druze and Bahá’ís. As part of its policy to support peripheral communities and improve their residents’ quality of life, KKL-JNF has developed a number of projects in and around Akko donated by France: the Tel Napoleon Scenic Lookout at Napoleon Park, the Lily Sharon Park and landscape development of the city’s Hesder Yeshiva. KKL-JNF created a Mediterranean Botanical Garden, donated by Canada, in the new neighborhoods of Akko. Additional projects include educational initiatives such as MAOR, designed for olm (new immigrant) students in peripheral communities.

Akko – Waks Botanical Garden

JNF Canada was a partner in establishing the Mediterranean Botanical Garden in Akko’s northern neighborhoods. The garden extends over some two hectares and adds a new dimension to the wealth of cultural and historical elements in Akko, one of the major historical ports in the Mediterranean Basin. The garden has a number of sections, where visitors can enjoy the sights and smells of fruit trees, herbs, spices and aquatic plants. The project includes instructional signage and play structures.

Haifa

Haifa is a major seaport and the urban centre of northern Israel; the third largest city in the country, numbering close to 300,000 residents. The city has a mixed Jewish-Arab population and is also home to Druze and Bahá’í communities. Haifa boasts many institutions devoted to culture, art and science and offers an array of festivals and activities. KKL-JNF develops the city’s parks and gardens and has planted its surrounding forests. In addition, KKL-JNF is involved in various research projects at Haifa University, Open Leadership Classrooms at Haifa’s public schools, Madatech, and other activities for the benefit of Haifa’s citizens and its environment.

Projects in Haifa donated by JNF Canada:
- Haifa – Melchett Park (#8782)
- Haifa – Ofer School (2127)
- Bat Galim Naval Base – Soldier-Family Meeting Area (#7090)

Bat Galim Naval Base

Bat Galim is a Haifa neighborhood located on the coast and the first point of Jewish settlement in modern Haifa. The neighborhood, established in the 1920s, is a garden suburb of private homes designed by the Bauhaus architect Richard Kaufmann. It is also home to a large naval base, serving up to 1,500 naval personnel, and includes an officers’ training school, diving school, advanced marine command training, and other functions vital for Israel’s maritime defense. KKL-JNF has a unique relationship with the Israel Defense Forces and develops many projects for the benefit of the soldiers serving our country, such as pleasant, green areas created adjacent to army bases, providing relaxing environments in which soldiers can meet with their families. Such a meeting site at the Bat Galim Naval Base has been made possible by JNF Canada.

Projects in Haifa available for donations:
- Haifa University – Forestry-Related Research (#7925)
- Haifa University – KKL-JNF Fellowships for History of Zionism (#7921)

Nazareth

Natseret Illit (Upper Nazareth)

Twenty-first century Nazareth is the largest Arab city in Israel and the major Christian centre in the Galilee. Approximately 60% of Nazareth’s population is Muslim and the city’s residents take pride in the pluralistic nature of their city, where Christians and Muslims live together harmoniously. The city has spread out from the ancient nucleus, with its steep, narrow streets, into a series of neighbourhoods that can be recognized from afar according to their houses of prayer. KKL-JNF planted the Beit Keshet Forest on the eastern slopes of the mountains of Nazareth, with a scenic road that flanks the city on its south and east and created a fire buffer zone to protect Nazareth in the event of wildfires. The forest, full of sites created by KKL-JNF, serves the residents as a green lung and leisure area. Located above Nazareth is Natseret Illit, a city founded in 1957, comprising a mostly Jewish population of approximately 40,000.

KKL-JNF continues to develop bicycle trails of all types in its forests and the new trail around Upper Nazareth is perfect for a family outing in nature, enjoyed by bikers and runners as well. The trail overlooks beautiful landscapes and on a clear day the Jordanian mountains can be seen on the horizon.

Mount Precipice

Mount Precipice is one of the peaks in the Nazareth Mountains lying south of Nazareth, rising 397 m above sea level, and 60 m above the city and providing a breathtaking view of the Jezreel Valley (Emek Yizrael) and the surrounding hills. The Three Faiths Scenic Lookout on Mount Precipice, made possible by JNF Canada, was the site where Pope John Paul II planted an olive tree dedicated to peace among all faiths. KKL-JNF also built an impressive, large-capacity amphitheater on Mount Precipice in honor of the visit of Pope Benedict XVI, where he celebrated a mass attended by 40,000 people.

KKL-JNF promotes community activities for the benefit of the residents of Natseret Illit, including programs in which college students volunteer to tutor high school and grade school pupils, among other environmental and youth-oriented projects.

A project in Nazareth Illit promoted by JNF Canada:
- Natseret Illit – Hesder Yeshiva (#13553)

JNF Canada is a partner in establishing the Hesder Yeshiva in Upper Nazareth (Natseret Illit). After years of shifting demographics and negative migration, the need for a hesder yeshiva in the city became apparent, both in order to attract young people and families to Upper Nazareth specifically, and the Galilee in general. The institution will provide combined military service with Torah study.

Jezreel Valley (Emek Yizrael)

“The Valley” (HaEmek) is a region rife with geographical, biblical and historical significance and the largest fertile valley in Israel, as indicated by its name, Yizrael (Heb) (God will sow). Modern Jewish settlement in Israel began in the Jezreel Valley in the early 1900s, with KKL-JNF purchasing the first plots of land. Today, the valley boasts fifteen kibbutzim, fourteen moshavim, seven community settlements, and more, including the city of Afula, located in the heart of the valley.

Afula

The city of Afula was founded in 1925. Jews from Poland, who bought plots in what is known as the “Capital of the Valley”, were the city’s first settlers and after waves of various immigrants the population now stands at some 47,000 inhabitants. The city is characterized by its hearty Washingtonia palms, planted along the main boulevard. HaMek Medical Centre is the pride of the city, whose seeds were first planted in 1923 and today is one of Israel’s largest state of the art medical facilities, providing medical services for the diverse population of the Galilee and the Jezreel Valley. KKL-JNF is developing the hospital grounds, creating a green environment for the benefit of patients and their visitors. Development involves landscaping around two of the hospital’s new buildings and creating a walking path encircling the medical centre, landscaping the environs and creating seating areas.

Other Afula projects in which KKL-JNF is involved include an ecological garden at the WIZO Kfar HaNoar Nir HaAfeka Agricultural School, adjacent to the city, and the development of a park at Nahal HaMoresh in memory of the three teenagers kidnapped and murdered in Gush Etzion in the summer of 2014. The project includes stream regulation, a promenade and a playground.
JNF Canada has made donations to three projects at the Tel Nof Air Force Base that include the Flight Squadron 133, Flight Squadron 210, and four play areas for the families’ children. The projects focus on developing green spaces for the complex where air base personnel live with their families. The quality of life enhancing projects involve gardens, shaded seating areas and walkways, pergolas, decks, picnic tables and inviting play areas with playground equipment. Development components included earthworks, landscaping, infrastructure and irrigation systems.

A project at the Tel Nof Air Force Base promoted by JNF Canada:
— Tel Nof Air Force Base – “Yasuiim” Helicopter Squadron 6 – Landscape Development #134268

**Jerusalem**

KKL-JNF initiates and partners in many projects to develop and strengthen Jerusalem. From the beginning of the 20th century, KKL-JNF’s activities have involved purchasing land, building and supporting national and educational institutions and ensuring quality of life for the citizens of the city.

KKL-JNF has developed tens of vital recreation and leisure projects in neighborhoods throughout Jerusalem and its surrounding open spaces. These include parks; community forests; landscaping for institutions in Gilo, Ir Ganim, Ramot, Pisgat Ze’ev, Neve Ya’akov, Givat HaMatos; the Jerusalem and Aminadav Forests; Yad Kennedy and Sataf. KKL-JNF developed the Hebrew University of Jerusalem’s Botanical Gardens and supports research under its direction. KKL-JNF is continuously developing the Jerusalem Ring Metropolitan Park, which surrounds the north, west and south of the city and includes bicycle trails that encircle the park and pass through the Aravim Valley, Emeq Re’em and Emek Motza.

Projects made possible by JNF Canada in Jerusalem include the Great Hall in the Western Wall Tunnels; a mental health and psychotrauma centre and two therapeutic gardens at Herzog Hospital; Teddy Park; “Restorers of Jerusalem Park; landscape and play yard development at the Dvora Agnon Creative Development Centre for infants and children with special needs; Revivim, the Hebrew University’s Jewish Studies Teacher Training Program; and a program for environmental studies for youngsters from the country’s periphery held at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

**Ammunition Hill National Memorial**

Throughout the years, KKL-JNF has been supporting commemoration and educational projects and activities at Ammunition Hill, where one of the fiercest battles of the Six Day War took place. Visiting Ammunition Hill is a powerful and emotional experience that conveys the intensity of the fighting. The memorial hall now under construction includes photos of the 182 soldiers who fell in the battle for Ammunition Hill, corresponding to the 182 olive trees that have been planted at the site. KKL-JNF donations have been dedicated to creating an amphitheatre, signage and ongoing educational activities. The site’s green entrance area was made possible by JNF Canada.

**Jerusalem – Ilanot Schoolyard Development**

JNF Canada, in cooperation with the Jerusalem Municipality and various foundations, is helping to renovate the schoolyard of the Ilanot School for special education in order that it meets safety and accessibility standards. New, outdoor facilities with maximum accessibility will offer the pupils, who suffer from severe motor and cognitive disabilities, opportunities to interact with the environment and their families. They will help provide fun, while empowering the children physically, cognitively, emotionally and socially. The schoolyard will be easily and safely reached from the classrooms via ramps and handrails. The outdoor active tree and hoshouse installations are specially designed to engage its users, enhancing cognitive, sensory and emotional learning.

Projects in Jerusalem available for donation:
— Jerusalem Biblical Zoo – KKL-JNF Entrance Plaza (#12314)
— Jerusalem Forest – Leisure and Ceremony Compound near Yad Vashem (#10103)
— Jerusalem Metropolitan Park – Refia im Valley Park – Bicycle Trail (#10560)
— Jerusalem Metropolitan Park – Arazim Valley – Eastern Bicycle Trail (#11945)
— Projects in Jerusalem promoted by JNF Canada:
  — WIZO Shelter for Battered Women – Courtyard Development (#13593)
  — The Hebrew University of Jerusalem — Cardiology Research Centre (#13548)
  — Nes Harim Field and Forest Study Centre (FFSC)

Nestled among the forest trees, forty-eight wooded cabins and flowering paths, overlooking the beautiful scenery of the Jerusalem Hills, is a modern educational centre with five classrooms, a state of the art computer room, and a number of multimedia and lecture rooms suited to every type of educational activity, whether a conference, seminar or study day. The centre is also available for longer stays that include cabin lodgings in the woods.

A project in the Jerusalem area available for donation:
— Nes Harim Field and Forest Education Centre (FFSC) – Classroom and Hall (#1166)

**Kiryat Gat**

Kiryat Gat, in the heart of the lush and historical Lachish region, has grown from a development town founded in 1955 by eighteen families from Morocco to Israel’s 31st city, with a population of some 50,000 today. The recent introduction of an Intel plant promises to boost the city’s economy and provide employment opportunities for its residents. KKL-JNF developed Nahal Lachish Park, provided landscaping for the city’s absorption centre for new olim, and donated portable bomb shelters during Operation Protective Edge. JNF Canada has supported Kiryat Gat’s “Hineni” Senior Citizen’s Clubhouse at the Agricultural Farm and the Chao House spice cottage industry.

**Kiryat Gat – Ethiopian Jews – “Replanting Roots” Project**

A group of young professionals of Ethiopian descent (founders of the “Hineni” [Here I AM] NGO), have initiated a program to help thousands of Ethiopian olim youth, from nine communities in Israel, to better integrate into Israeli society and succeed in building positive lives. The flagship project will address the issues that concern young Ethiopians, many stemming from intergenerational and cultural gaps. In 2014, hundreds of young Ethiopians, many stemming from intergenerational and cultural gaps, attended the project.

Projects in Be’er Sheva available for donation:
— Sha’ar LaNegev Visitor Centre (#11277)

**Be’er Sheva**

Be’er Sheva, “capital of the Negev”, is the seventh largest city in Israel with a population of over 200,000. The vibrant city, which former President Shimon Peres envisioned as the “future Tel Aviv”, has its roots deep in the past but is heading steadily onwards into the 21st century. KKL-JNF has developed the city’s entrances, public parks and urban open green spaces, contributed a portable bomb shelter to the city during Operation Protective Edge, and developed two sites related to the ANZAC Trail — the Allenby Park and the ANZAC Heritage Centre. KKL-JNF is also extensively involved in the development of the Be’er Sheva River Park and the green belt around the city.

**JNF Canada** is a significant partner in Be’er Sheva, helping it grow and improve. Projects include restaurating and developing the Bet Esreh complex and gateway to the Be’er Sheva River Park; the creation of the Montreal Oasis and the Bell Park picnic area in the Be’er Sheva River Park; creating a therapeutic yard at the Ilanot School; developing infrastructure, constructing four residential buildings and landscaping the ALUTF compound for people with autism; developing the Blumfield Visitors Centre: providing summer camps for children with cancer; building a sports centre for excellence; developing community vegetable gardens at the Winnipeg Centre and the Hazon Ovadia School and creating the Garden of Hope.

**Ilanot School – Therapeutic Yard**

JNF Canada has developed the school yard at the Ilanot School for special education in Be’er Sheva. To meet the students’ needs, the project involved improving safety and accessibility, renovating the entrance area, creating seating areas, shading, landscaping and play elements, which included play sculptures, colorful geometric flooring and a sand box.

The Samson Israel Tennis Centre

The Samson Israel Tennis Centre-Be'er Sheva was inaugurated in 1991 and operates tennis programs for all ages and levels. Today, the Israel Tennis Centre - Be'er Sheva has 8 tennis courts and caters to over 300 children each week. The centre also hosts many tennis tournaments on a local, national, and international scale.
Hatserim Air Force Base
The Hatserim Air Force Base, west of Be’er Sheva and near Kibbutz Hatserim, is home to various training squadrons and the IAF Flight Academy. The Israel Air Force Museum is located adjacent to the base, with a representative exhibition of IAF combat aircraft. Two inviting, green leisure and recreation areas for the airmen and their families who live at the base have been made possible by JNF Canada. In addition, KKL-JNF has created a family park and landscaped the base’s entrances.

Sderot
Sderot, a western Negev city founded in 1951, has faced many economic and social challenges which have been exacerbated by severe security problems. KKL-JNF has been involved with Sderot since its establishment, developing a number of parks and landscaping projects, in addition to installing and providing programs for the Green Leadership Classrooms in the city’s schools. In response to continued missile attacks from Gaza, which culminated in Operation Protective Edge, KKL-JNF contributed life-saving bomb shelters, created protected playgrounds and organized educational activities for children confined to shelters and “getaway” trips for them to the north. Projects made possible by JNF Canada include the Sderot Recycled Water Reservoir, which stores treated wastewater from the city, then used for irrigation in nearby farming communities; Azteki Park, the pride of Sderot, a green urban leisure and recreation area developed along the course of the wadi (dry river bed) that cuts through the city; Borochov Park, in a neighborhood that needs a green leisure area; and a planned tennis centre.

John Baird Park
With the help of JNF Canada, an additional park in Sderot is being built on an area of some 0.8 hectares (2 acres) for the enjoyment of 2,000 families, who lack appropriate outdoor play facilities for their children. The project will contribute to the city’s development and provide an essential community service, promoting the quality of its residents’ lives. The park will include sports equipment for all ages, including those for extreme sports and fitness, a plaza with a fountain, seating areas, a mini-pitch field and volleyball court. Development elements include landscaping and the installation of bomb shelters.

Tennis Centre
JNF Canada is supporting the plan to construct a tennis centre at the swimming pool complex in Sderot. New tennis courts will be added to those existing, which will be revamped. The centre will provide the residents of the western Negev city with an important sporting opportunity and serve to enhance their quality of life. The tennis facility adjoins a parking lot, affording direct and easy access to the courts.

Torani Chadash School – Green Leadership Classroom
KKL-JNF provided the Torani Chadash School with a Green Leadership Classroom for its schoolyard. The classroom and its activities were awarded to the student council for having met specific KKL-JNF environmental goals. Peer-educators, trained by KKL-JNF’s Youth and Education Division, lead the school in experiential ecological and Zionst education sessions.

Ofakim
The city of Ofakim, 20 km west of Be’er Sheva, was founded in 1955 as a development town. In the 1990s, Ofakim absorbed large numbers of olim from Ethiopia and the FSU. KKL-JNF is involved in various projects to help strengthen the city and help ensure its growth.

JNF Canada supported the creation of the city’s educational development centre, a bicycle trail, landscape development around the Neve Yocheved School and provided portable bomb shelters during Operation Protective Edge.

A project in Ofakim available for donation:
- Ofakim Park – Recycled Water Irrigation System (#10907)

Shaveh Darom
In 2005, following their evacuation from Gush Katif, sixty families of Kfar Darom found their home in the expanding community of Nir Akiva and called it Shaveh Darom. Today, some thirty families, including one hundred children, are in the process of renewal. For the time being, residents live in temporary, mobile housing until permanent homes are available. JNF Canada is a partner in the construction of four new fortified classrooms at Shaveh Darom, which will protect schoolchildren, including those from neighboring communities, in the event of rocket and mortar attacks from Gaza and during war. Two of the classrooms have been completed and an additional two are in the advanced stages of construction. The project provides the school with the advantage of four permanent classrooms, replacing the current, temporary structures.

Halutsiot Communities
The Halutsiot communities include Bene Netsarinim, Naveh and Shlomit, established in the western Negev’s Halutsa Sands, close to the Egyptian border. They were created for the former residents of Al-Armona and Netsarinim, two of the Gush Katif communities evacuated under the 2005 Disengagement Plan. KKL-JNF, with the help of its friends and partners worldwide, prepared the new communities’ land for housing and agriculture, and developed their landscape, public parks and facilities. During Operation Protective Edge, KKL-JNF provided these vulnerable communities with life-saving bomb shelters.

Naveh
JNF Canada is partnering in the establishment of a kibbutz in the southern community of Naveh. JNF Canada helped create a student village, a playground area at the community’s Talmud Torah, the entranceway to the community, and developed the landscape around Naveh’s various educational institutions.

Shlomit
JNF Canada is a partner in establishing a moshav in the western Negev community of Shlomit to enable its residents to observe the commandment of ritual immolation. Today, Shlomit, established in 2011, has fifty families and looks forward to growing to five hundred. KKL-JNF is also building bombproof residential spaces adjacent to the caravans at Shlomit.

Bene Netsarinim
Bene Netsarinim (Halutsit 1) is one of the new communities in the Halutsa Sands of the western Negev, close to the Egyptian border, whose residents are from former Gush Katif communities. Today, Bene Netsarinim numbers one hundred families, and JNF Canada is supporting them in preparing land and creating access roads. Bene Netsarinim is interested in pursuing the same type of farming (mainly vegetables), in which they were previously so successful. JNF Canada has partnered in the landscape development of the community’s synagogue, agricultural infrastructure, development of the community’s entranceway and the creation of a youth centre.

A project in a Halutsiot community available for donation:
- Bene Netsarinim (Halutsit 1) – Housing Infrastructure (Stage II) (#12226)

Merhav Am
Merhav Am, founded in 2001, is a community comprising some fifty idealistic, observant families with more than one hundred and fifty children. The community, which plans to grow to five hundred families, is named for its surrounding vast open spaces and in honor of Rehavam Ze’evi, a minister who was assassinated and laid to rest on the day Merhav Am forged its community’s road. KKL-JNF’s involvement in the development of Merhav Am includes the establishment of a synagogue, landscaping and infrastructure. A community centre and facility for students were made possible by JNF Canada.

Central Arava
The Central Arava, comprising approximately 6% of Israel’s total land mass, is the most peripheral and underpopulated region in Israel. Advanced agriculture is the primary source of income for the region’s approximately 3,500 residents, who live in seven communities along the Jordanian border. JNF Canada’s involvement in the region’s development includes providing laboratory equipment for and supporting research at the Central and Northern Arava R&D Centres, creating the Music Centre at Sderot and providing scholarships for the children who study there, forging the Peace Road, developing the communities of En Yehav and Tsofar, and building the Hatseva Floodwater Reservoir and the Neot Tamarin Reservoir.

Paran Scenic Lookout
The Paran Scenic Lookout is located off the Arava Highway, a bit south of Moshav Paran, at the broad Nahal Paran riverbed. KKL-JNF built a scenic terrace at the lookout, affording a view of the moshav and the area’s agricultural fields. A recognition centre was created at the scenic lookout in honor of Friends of KKL-JNF in Canada, Holland, Mexico, and the USA, who have contributed to the development of Arava communities.

Sapir Regional Centre – AICAT
The Arava International Centre for Agriculture Training (AICAT) offers training in sophisticated and land agriculture to students from developing countries. The training centre is internationally renowned for its course in agriculture, and some 1,000 students from eight Asian countries study at the Sapir Regional Centre campus. AICAT provides an invaluable contribution to the developing countries and their students as well as additional job opportunities for local residents and extra working hands for the local agricultural industry. KKL-JNF is participating in a project to build new dormitories for the program’s students.

Vidor Visitor Centre
The Vidor Visitor Centre, made possible by JNF Australia, is located at the Yair Agricultural R&D Station. The centre offers an interactive experience that introduces visitors to Israel’s out of the box agricultural innovations, including heart-shaped cucumbers, giant gourds, new breeds of cherry tomatoes and colored potatoes and carrots. Visitors can view photos, watch films and enjoy special exhibits, all relating to the Arava. The centre was established with the support of KKL-JNF, Israeli government ministries, the Israel Government Tourist Corporation and other partners.
Arava Biotechnology and Medicinal Plant Research Centre

The Arava R&D Centre was established in 1986 as part of the Negev Arava R&D program, aiming to serve the developmental needs of the region’s new communities, develop and advance agricultural and scientific methods, raise the quality of agricultural produce and develop new crops. In recent years, alongside extensive research in agriculture, a strong scientific research division has developed, focusing on the exploration of the desert’s natural assets in the discovery of new drugs for curing human diseases.

The project includes developing the centre’s laboratory facilities and supporting its biotechnological neurodegenerative diseases research, a project that also promises to create new job opportunities and encourage young scientists to relocate to the Arava.

The centre will be located at the Arava R&D complex and will offer the researchers state of the art facilities. The centre will identify botanical sources for drugs, characterize their mode of action and assess their therapeutic efficacy on animal models (such as zebrafish), for human diseases such as cancer, Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s, obesity and more.

Effective plant candidates will be considered for drug development, and when applicable, as new crops in farming, thus developing the next generation of agricultural crops in the Arava and opening up opportunities for the region’s economic and community development.

An Arava research project offered to JNF Canada:

- Central Arava R&D – Research in Desert Plants as a Source of Drugs for Treating Neurodegenerative Diseases (#11562)
- Projects in the Central Arava available for donation:
  - Tsofar – Preparing Land for Agriculture – 2014 (#12288)
  - Tsofar – Land Reclamation for Hothouses (#11031)
  - En Yahav – Preparing Land for Agriculture – 2014 (#12289)
- Hatseva – Preparing Land for Agriculture – 2012 (#11030)
- Hatseva – Preparing Land for Agriculture – 2014 (#12291)

**Eilot Region (Southern Arava)**

The Eilot Regional Council is the southernmost regional council in Israel, extending over 220,000 hectares and including twelve communities (ten kibbutzim and two community settlements), inhabited by some 3,500 people. Most of the residents make their living from modern, state of the art agriculture and tourism. The region is characterized by diverse renewable energy sources, flood-prone areas, and a sandy desert climate moderated by proximity to the tropical Red Sea. The city’s beaches, nightlife and desert landscapes make it a popular destination for domestic and international tourism. Nature lovers can enjoy a beautiful coral reef and some of the best birdwatching in the world. KKL-JNF’s involvement in Eilot is manifold and includes developing housing infrastructure (particularly in the 1990s for the many new olim), landscaping, creating public parks and open urban green spaces, and bicycle trails around the city. Projects made possible by JNF Canada include parks and playgrounds, the city’s main entrance boulevard, Yeshivat Hesder Ayelet Hashachar, and the activities and programs at the Merkaz Noam Family Centre.

**Eilot – Yeshivat Hesder Ayelet Hashachar**

JNF Canada, together with the Friedberg Fund and the Municipality of Eilot, are supporting infrastructure for activities at the Merkaz Noam Family Centre, whose goal is to strengthen and empower the family unit. The centre will provide all sectors of the city’s residents with counseling and training services for family issues and will include seminars, marriage counseling, couples therapy and parenting skills.

**Eilot – Entrance Park**

JNF Canada is involved in developing and expanding the city’s neglected entranceway. The project includes developing some 65 km of the road’s western side, improving the appearance of the entrance and adding elements for the well-being of the city’s residents, the enjoyment of its many tourists and the enhancement of the environment. Upgrading the entrance includes a bicycle and walking path, landscaping, trees for the boulevard, access points, shaded areas, scenic lookouts, seating, lighting fixtures and appropriate recognition signage.

The station includes an emergency storehouse, firefighting equipment, an emergency vehicle and additional equipment including flashlights, masks, first aid and other relevant supplies.

**Projects in the Southern Arava available for donation:**

- Southern Arava R&D Centre – Agricultural Research (#7380)
- Samar – Preparing Land – 2014 (#12270)
- Arandal Farm – Access Road and Fencing (#12446)

**Eilot**

Eilot, Israel’s southernmost city, is a tourist resort and port located at the southern edge of the Arava Valley on the Gulf of Elat/Agaba, on the northern tip of the Red Sea. Eilat has close to 50,000 inhabitants most of whom are employed in the tourist industry, the city’s economic mainstay. Elat’s semi-arid desert climate is moderated by proximity to the tropical Red Sea. The city’s beaches, nightlife and desert landscapes make it a popular destination for domestic and international tourism.

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**Canada Park**

The desert community of Be’er Ora needs a green breathing space; a beautiful public park for the benefit of its residents, not least its children. An area of some 0.4 hectares at the centre of the well-planned community had been allocated for a public park. The park project would include gardening and irrigation, outdoor furniture (benches and seating arrangements), rubbish bins, drinking fountains, pergolas, fences, rails and access roads.

**Emergency Center – Oil Spill Rehabilitation**

In December 2014 millions of tons of crude oil leaked from the Elat-Ashkelon Pipeline along some 7 km, polluting the northern section of the Evrona Nature Reserve in the Southern Arava. In the wake of the environmental disaster, JNF Canada provided funds for the establishment of an Emergency Station at Be’er Ora, which is close to the site, in order to help deal with the spill.
Northern Region

Project 11321
Misgav Bicycle Trail
K KL-JNF is planning a 2 km bicycle trail in the lower Galilee that will connect the communities of Ya’ad and Atsmon to the Misgav Regional Center. The trail, part of a larger system of cycling trails in Misgav, includes a highway underpass, ensuring pedestrian and cyclists’ safety.

Donation required: NIS 4,290,000 - 4,504,500

*Projects offered to JNF Canada

Bet Keshet Forest Scenic Drive
K KL-JNF is planning to upgrade the veteran Bet Keshet Forest Scenic Drive, one of the region’s prime outdoor tourist attractions, both to reverse the effects of time and weather and add improvements to the route. The project will include earthworks, compacting of road bedding, asphaltling and creating drainage channels.

Donation required: NIS 1,500,000 - 1,650,000

Project 11815

Naharaya – Ussishkin Park – KKL-JNF Grove
K KL-JNF Grove in Ussishkin Park is an inviting site of leisure and recreation in the crowded urban center of Naharaya, the capital of the Western Galilee. This green lung is accessible both in terms of its location and its universal design, including play equipment for children with disabilities, among other features.

Donation required: NIS 5,400,000

Project 11879

Kiryat Shmona – KKL-JNF Park (Hamatos)
K KL-JNF is planning to establish an ecological tourism park in Kiryat Shmona near a new neighborhood and an industrial zone. The project will involve restoration of the historic Nahal Yon streambed, which runs through the park and the creation of paths and lookouts.

Donation required: NIS 1,875,000 - 1,965,000

Project 11885

Kiryat Motzkin – Habanim Park
K KL-JNF developed a neighborhood park in Kiryat Motzkin. The new park covers just over 3 acres about one and a quarter hectares) on the land of an abandoned army base and is part of KKL-JNF’s existing Habanim Park, commemorating the city’s fallen soldiers.

Donation required: NIS 4,290,000 - 4,504,500

Project 11885

Jordan Park - Playground
Jordan Park is a very popular site just north of Lake Kinneret in northern Israel. KKL-JNF has developed a playground in the park that enhances the recreational opportunities for the many schoolchildren and families who visit the area.

Donation required: NIS 440,000 - 500,000

K KL-JNF Fellowships Haifa University
K KL-JNF funds fellowships at a number of universities and colleges in Israel to encourage research into fields relating to history and heritage. The program operates as part of the KKL-JNF Institute for Zionism and Settlement. At present there are two programs in progress at Bar Ilan University and the Hebrew University. Two more are planned at Haifa University and the Tel Hai College.

Donation required: NIS 150,000 - 250,000

Project 7925
Research - Haifa University
K KL-JNF supports research in many fields related to forestry, working with Israel’s top academic institutions. One of these is Haifa University where many wildlife studies are being conducted. Other studies at the university deal with problems relating to specific KKL-JNF action areas.

Donation required: NIS 200,000 - 300,000

Project 7959
Upper Nazareth – Hesder Yeshiva*
JNF Canada is a partner in establishing the Heder Yesleva
KKL-JNF is planning to plant a garden commemorating Janusz Korczak and situated close to ‘Ofer’ (intermediate-technical level), the children’s wing of the Ghettos Fighters’ Museum. The garden will include three large pergolas, serving as learning and activity sites for young people participating in the museum’s various programs and seminars.

Donation required/NIS TBD

Project 12967
Ghetto Fighters’ Museum – The Korczak Garden*

KKL-JNF is planning the creation of a garden commemorating Janusz Korczak and situated close to ‘Ofer’ (intermediate-technical level), the children’s wing of the Ghettos Fighters’ Museum. The garden will include three large pergolas, serving as learning and activity sites for young people participating in the museum’s various programs and seminars. Donation required/NIS TBD

Project 12901
Hof Hacarmel Forest – Israel Trail Scenic Outlook*

KKL-JNF is planning to create a scenic outlook and rest-site on the Israel National Trail in the Hof Hacarmel Forest (also known as the Ofer Forest). The site, which affords a breathtaking view of the Mediterranean Sea, will serve the many hikers on the trail and families vacationing in the forest.

Donation required/NIS 130,000 - 150,000

Project 12902
Mt. Carmel - Nir Etsiyon - Ancient Terrace Restoration*

KKL-JNF is planning to restore terraced areas in the vicinity of Nir Etsiyon on the Carmel. These, formerly covered with planted conifer forests will now be restored and replanted with native fruit tree and woodland species, such as oaks, terebinths, strawberry trees and Judas trees. The project includes rehabilitation, planting and irrigation for the first few years.

Donation required/NIS 100,000 - 1,000,000

Project 7249
Southern Mahanayim Recycled Water Reservoir*

The KKL-JNF Southern Mahanayim Recycled Water Reservoir in the Upper Galilee provides water for the area’s agriculture during the dry summer months, using wastewater. The reservoir, which is the community of Gvat Ela, passes through pine forests and green valleys, with views of spectacular Galilee scenery.

Donation required/NIS 181,000 - 185,000

Project 31991
Gir’at Ela Single-Track Bicycle Trail*

The 6.7-km Girat’Elah loop trail is one of the single-track cycling trails KKL-JNF has developed in the Lower Galilee. It skirts the community of Gorat Ela, passing through pine forests and green valleys, with views of spectacular Galilee scenery.

Donation required/NIS 181,000 - 185,000

Project 81001
Carmel Coast (Ofer) Forest - Firebreaks*

KKL-JNF is developing firebreaks between the Carmel Coast, Forest and nearby communities, one of the most effective methods of preventing wildfire spread. Developing firebreaks includes forging new roads or improving existing forest roads and managing the surrounding vegetation: thinning, pruning and controlled grazing. The proposed firebreak areas will extend over 15 acres (6 hectares) surrounding two communities near the forest, Ofer and Kerem Mahalath.

Donation required/NIS 150,000 - 160,000

Project 10021
Ayotl HaShahar - Gador Recycled Water Reservoir*

The Ayot HaShahar-Gador Recycled Water Reservoir in the Upper Galilee is a recycled water reservoir used for irrigation during the dry summer months. The reservoir solves two serious problems by treating and recycling effluents from the area’s communities, providing a readily available source of water for agriculture, thereby saving potable water for domestic use. Residents of the area benefit from a significant improvement in their quality of life and profit from a relatively inexpensive water source.

Donation required/NIS 3,000,000 - 4,000,000

Project 11945
Haruvit Forest - Bicycle Trail*

KKL-JNF cooperated with local residents and cycling enthusiasts to develop a 14-kilometer circular cycling trail in Haruvit Forest, on the western slopes of the Judaeans foothills. The bicycle trail has two entrances – from the Yonatan Topaz viewpoint, and from the Bulgan Picnic site on the southwest corner of the Haruvit Forest. A parking area and small picnic site will serve those arriving on bicycle. The trail will create a significant improvement in their quality of life and profit from a relatively inexpensive water source.

Donation required/NIS 3,000,000 - 4,000,000

Project 11813
Restoration - Nir Etsiyon - Mt. Carmel

KKL-JNF is planning to restore thousands of Atlas cedar trees on a plot of some 14 hectares in the Biriya Forest, located in the Upper Galilee. Cedars are a chosen species for the purpose of diversifying the largest planted forest in the Galilee and they thrive in the high altitude and cold of the Biriya Forest.

Donation required/NIS TBD

Project 13837
Biriya Forest – Cedar Grove*

KKL-JNF planted the beautiful cedar grove on the northern face of the Biriya Forest in 1993. The five hectare grove comprises Atlas and Himalayan cedars planted at a density of 60 trees per 0.3 hectares. The cedars were chosen to diversify the forest species, which had been primarily pines. Because cedars are hardy and can withstand cold weather they thrive in the high altitude of the Biriya Forest.

Donation required/NIS TBD

Project 17871
Mitspe Ilan - Preparing Land for a Biking Community

KKL-JNF, in cooperation with the OR Movement, is preparing land for housing in the relatively new community of Mitspe Ilan. KKL-JNF had been instrumental in helping the community get started in 2005 and today 48 families, including 200 children, live there. Mitspe Ilan aims to absorb some 345 families and the first step towards that goal is the development of 110 plots for housing.

Donation required/NIS 15,000

Project 17853
Or Yehuda – Gan Hatish’a – Sports Center

KKL-JNF has completed upgrading the Gan Hatisha’s Park, transforming it into an area for sports, recreation and community gatherings. The park, commemorating nine Jewish Iraqi martyrs, had been sadly neglected, now has sports fields, shaded picnic and seating areas, paths, lavatories, drinking fountains, a kiosk and a grassy amphitheater with a stage for community events.

Donation required/NIS 7,700,000

Project 17435
Jerusalem Park – Arazim Valley Eastern Bicycle Trail

KKL-JNF has developed the eastern section of the Arazim Valley Bicycle Trail, which connects the Arazim Valley in the Jerusalem Municipality Park to the intersection at the city’s edge. The 1.000 meter long, 3 meter wide asphalt trail is suitable for families, youngsters, and experienced cyclists alike. Native tree species suited to the Jerusalem Hills have been planted along the trail.

Donation required/NIS 800,000 – 900,000

Project 58546
Ayelet HaShahar – Gadot Recycled Water Reservoir*

The Ayot HaShahar-Gador Recycled Water Reservoir in the Upper Galilee is a recycled water reservoir used for irrigation during the dry summer months. The reservoir solves two serious problems by treating and recycling effluents from the area’s communities, providing a readily available source of water for agriculture, thereby saving potable water for domestic use. Residents of the area benefit from a significant improvement in their quality of life and profit from a relatively inexpensive water source.

Donation required/NIS 3,000,000 - 4,000,000

Project 13907
Kapunda Forest – Track Bicycle Trail*

KKL-JNF has developed trails and bike paths in the Kapunda Forest in the Carmel Coast, including 200 children, live there. Mitspe Ilan aims to absorb some 345 families and the first step towards that goal is the development of 110 plots for housing.

Donation required/NIS TBD

Project 12348, 12347, 12349, 12351, 12352
Biriya Forest – Cedars Grove*

KKL-JNF planted the beautiful cedar grove on the northern face of the Biriya Forest in 1993. The five hectare grove comprises Atlas and Himalayan cedars planted at a density of 60 trees per 0.3 hectares. The cedars were chosen to diversify the forest species, which had been primarily pines. Because cedars are hardy and can withstand cold weather they thrive in the high altitude of the Biriya Forest.

Donation required/NIS TBD

Project 7268
Central Region

Stage 1 of a much-needed urban park in Lod is now being planned along Nahal Ayalon, as part of an overall vision to turn a neglected area into a community asset. The view from the promenade will generate historic awareness, while the new green northern entrance to Lod will raise civic pride.

Donation required/NIS 700,000

Project 13901
Jerusalem Hills – Coexistence Bicycle Trail

KKL-JNF, together with the cycling community in the Arab village of Eila, developed a 12-km singletrack bicycle trail that crosses the village and continues into the Jerusalem Hills, enabling tourists annually, from around the world and Israel, doubling the number of current visitors within ten years. This project will consist of a Convention Centre, the “Laurene Harper Auditorium”, a fascinating 3D nature film “Four Seasons in the Hula Valley” to be screened in the Auditorium; the “Bird Wall”, a unique, interactive, exhibit screened on a wall at the entrance to the centre, presenting the valley’s rich bird life; a unique scenic lookout roof that will provide an amazing view of Hula Lake and all its wildlife.

Donation required/NIS TBD

Project 7267
Jerusalem Hills – Cycling Promenade

Donation required/NIS 350,000 – 400,000

Project 7265
Haruvit Forest - Bicycle Trail*

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Donation required/NIS 3,000,000 - 4,000,000

Project 7264
Ayelet HaShahar - Gador Recycled Water Reservoir*

The Ayot HaShahar-Gador Recycled Water Reservoir in the Upper Galilee is a recycled water reservoir used for irrigation during the dry summer months. The reservoir solves two serious problems by treating and recycling effluents from the area’s communities, providing a readily available source of water for agriculture, thereby saving potable water for domestic use. Residents of the area benefit from a significant improvement in their quality of life and profit from a relatively inexpensive water source.

Donation required/NIS 3,000,000 - 4,000,000

Project 12005
Mt. Carmel - Nir Etsiyon - Ancient Terrace Restoration*
riders to enjoy the magnificent scenery. The trail is a unique project, the first bicycle trail KKL-JNF plans to develop in cooperation with an Arab community.

Donation required/NIS 330,000

**Project 7426**

**The Tel Yitzhak Reservoir**

KKL-JNF’s Tel Yitzhak Recycled Wastewater Reservoir is an important addition to the Sharon area. The reservoir receives treated industrial and domestic wastewater which is then used to irrigate a variety of crops in nearby communities. Using recycled water for irrigation is of great importance in a dry country such as Israel, where every drop of water counts. The water thus uses fees freshwater for domestic use and lowers the cost of growing crops.

Donation required/NIS 6,600,000

**Project 7774**

**Mata Forest – Hurvat Hanot Complex Development**

Hurvat Hanot is an important historical and archaeological site located in KKL-JNF’s Mata Forest. The archaeological remains include a colorful mosaic, wineries and a cistern that attract many visitors. KKL-JNF has already planted trees and prepared the grounds for overnight camping. Excavation work will soon begin at Hurvat Hanot for the purpose of restoration and to create an accessible system of paths between the various attractions with interpretive signage and an entrance with parking. The site is connected to Caesar’s Route, part of the Israel National Trail.

Donation required/NIS 2,000,000 – 2,300,000

**Project 8157**

**Zikron Ya’akov Park**

The proposed park, on the outskirts of Zikron Ya’akov will focus on the history and heritage of the original farming community. A number of recreational and picnic elements will be developed in some parts of the park, while other parts will be lightly developed to make the most of their natural qualities. One of the development elements is an open theater that will host community events. The park is sure to become a great success with both local residents and visitors.

Donation required/NIS 5,500,000 – 6,000,000

**Project 8160**

**Menashe Foothills – Mishmarot Recycled Water Reservoir**

KKL-JNF’s Mishmarot Recycled Wastewater Reservoir is an important addition to the Menashe Regional Council in the northern coastal plain. The reservoir receives treated wastewater which is then used to irrigate a variety of crops in nearby communities. Using recycled water for irrigation is of great importance in a dry country such as Israel, where every drop of water counts. The water thus uses fees freshwater for domestic use and lowers the cost of growing crops.

Donation required/NIS 1,400,000 – 1,750,000

**Project 8368**

**Jerusalem Park – Be’er Ya’acov Valley Park – Bicycle Trail**

The prototype Mercedes-Benz Unimog U20 fire truck is ready and waiting to protect the heavily forested Jerusalem corridor, including its wildlife habitats. The specially designed compact unit with tank and equipment includes a sophisticated communication system that can identify the specific location of a fire and readily communicate with fire headquarters. Detecting a fire in time is the key to good forest protection.

Donation required/NIS 5,400,000

**Project 9128**

**Holon – Groves and Bicycle Trail**

KKL-JNF, in cooperation with the Holon Municipality, will cultivate groves and upgrade and pave walking and cycling trails along the southern border of the city. The development will include earthworks, paving trails and planting trees and vegetation to transform the area into a “green lung” between residential areas and the Rishon Lezion industrial zone, for the benefit of both the neighborhood and the city’s residents.

Donation required/NIS 3,900,000

**Project 1025**

**Unimog U20 Fire Truck for the Jerusalem Corridor**

KKL-JNF plans to develop a paved bicycle trail in the Be’er Ya’acov Valley Park, which is part of the Jerusalem Park. The trail will run the length of the park and connect with the Jerusalem Park pedestrian bicycle trail, the Railway (Mesila) Park in the east and the Aminadav Forest trail in the west, providing a relaxing and enjoyable experience in nature for both cyclists and other nature lovers.

Donation required/NIS 460,000 – 468,000

**Project 10560**

**Another Recycled Water Reservoir – Upgrading**

The recently ongoing climate changes, namely increase in temperature and reduction in precipitation, pose a threat to forest tree survival worldwide. A system that was recently built in the Faculty of Agriculture of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem can be a very important tool in developing drought resistant types of forest trees. This high-throughput non-invasive screening system enables a continuous comparison between individual seedlings, their water use and growth rate, under non-stress and stress conditions.

Donation required/NIS 1,350,000 – 1,400,000

**Project 899**

**Anot Recycled Water Reservoir – Upgrading**

KKL-JNF is upgrading the Anot Recycled Water Reservoir, which was built thirty years ago and is in need of repairs and upgrading to continue fulfilling its important function as a source for irrigation in a number of kibbutzim. Recycled water reservoirs are important – both for saving water and for preventing flow of untreated wastewater in our environment.

Donation required/NIS 3,300,000 – 4,600,000

**Project 10703**

**Jerusalem Biblical Zoo – KKL-JNF Entrance Plaza**

KKL-JNF will develop the large entrance area to the new aquarium complex being built at the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo. This is the first aquarium of its kind in Israel. It will be reached from the city or from the Be’er Ya’acov Valley Park. A KKL-JNF Information Center will be developed as part of the entrance complex focusing on KKL-JNF and its significant contribution to Israel’s water economy, as well as providing information on recreational opportunities in the area.

Donation required/NIS 7,000,000

**Project 13214**

**Jerusalem Biblical Zoo – KKL-JNF Entrance Plaza**

The Sataf Forest – Accessible Leisure Site

The Sataf Forest surrounds the renowned Sataf, whose heritage landscapes, agriculture and mountain springs were restored by KKL-JNF. The forest receives part of the many visitors to its leisure and recreation sites. To further enhance the forest’s potential to absorb many more visitors, KKL-JNF created a leisure site shaded by trees, which can be reached by car and is wheelchair accessible.

Donation required/NIS 180,000 – 190,000

**Project 7141**

**Canada Park – Walking Trail to an Archeological Site**

KKL-JNF will create a new, one-kilometer-long trail leading from the main entrance to Canada Park to the Greco-Roman bathhouse of the ancient city of Emunia. The path will open up yet another new and enjoyable experience for visitors in the park as they explore an important aspect of ancient culture and architecture in our region.

Donation required/NIS 85,000 – 95,000

**Project 11704**

**Nes Harim Field and Forest Center – Classrooms and Hall**

An expanded Nes Harim Field and Forest Education Center aims to offer...
broadened activities geared to impart ecological and Zionist values to diversified populations participating in the educational programs. To that end, it is necessary to have mobile structures that will provide 4 classrooms, hall, synagogue and restrooms, all of which would facilitate simultaneous operation of a number of programs for different populations.

**Project 11277 Be’er Sheva - Sha’ar Lahgev Visitor Center**

KKL-JNF has been invited by the OR Movement to help them plan the construction of an interactive exhibition on the subject of the Negev and an auditorium foyer for the Sha’ar Lahgev Visitor Center in Be’er Sheva. The center has been designed to attract thousands of yearly visitors, who will learn all about the region in depth. The visitor center has a database which provides the most comprehensive information on the Negev and its communities.

Donation required/NIS TBD

**Project 11899 Gedera - Urban Agriculture for Ethiopian Olim**

KKL-JNF works with the “Friends by Nature - Community Empowerment” non-profit organization in a unique project that aims to strengthen the connection between the Ethiopian community in Israel and its unique traditions and culture. This, in turn, empowers the community and facilitates the integration of Ethiopian Jews into Israeli society. Eighty-five members of the community are involved in an urban agriculture project, cultivating organic beds and enjoying the resulting produce, which improves health and quality of life.

Donation required/NIS TBD

**Project 12456 Timna Park - Amphitheater**

KKL-JNF is planning to build a 1500 capacity amphitheater at Park Timna, which will serve the area’s residents as well visitors and tourists. The venue will be built beside the tranquil lake at KKL-JNF Timna Park.

Donation required/NIS 1,300,000 - 1,500,000

**Project 12231 Kikar Sdom - Desert Eco Park**

KKL-JNF is planning an ecological park at the entrance to Nitzanim and En Tamir that will serve as a regional tourism attraction. This exciting project includes an ecological pool, simulating the moist habitat that was once in the area.

Donation required/NIS 800,000

**Project 1246 Arad – Single-Track Bicycle Trails**

KKL-JNF is planning three new bicycle trails in the Arad region, an area very popular with cyclists and hikers. The Rahamim Single-track is a circular route (moderate difficulty, 16 km); the Arad-Tel Arad Archeological Park trail (easy, 4.5 km) and a connecting trail between the Rahamim and Arad single-track trails (moderate, 1 km). The trails will run past a number of interesting sites.

Donation required/NIS 2,600,000 - 3,000,000

**Project 11533 Neitov - KKL-JNF Path of Wellbeing and its Grove**

KKL-JNF has developed an existing, urban buffer zone with a cycling path through a mature grove; a project which will help preserve the green space that separates Neitov’s industrial and residential areas. Recreation areas have been created along the path for the enjoyment of this Negev city’s residents.

Donation required/NIS 1,500,000

**Project 10004 Shikma Watershed – Recreation Areas**

KKL-JNF, as part of its participation in the rehabilitation of the Shikma watershed, will develop two picnic areas for the benefit of the many visitors to this beautiful and fascinating area. This far-reaching project will have a significant effect on improving the local economy and quality of life as well as on preserving the unique Northern Negev landscapes, plant and animal life.

Donation required/NIS 210,000 - 250,000

**Project 11974 Lahav Forest - Central Loop Bicycle Trail**

As part of its system of cycling trails in the Lahav Forest, KKL-JNF is planning to forge a central loop asphalt trail. The trail will suit the cycling needs of racing cyclists, handycyclists (for paraplegics), and families with children. Single track trails of different levels of difficulty will branch off the loop trail. The whole system of trails will transform the Lahav Forest into a major route for cycling in the Negev.

Donation required/NIS 600,000 - 620,000

**Project 11928 Kiryat Gat – Lev Menachem Children’s Treatment Center Development of a Therapeutic Yard**

The “Lev Menachem” Treatment Center in Kiryat Gat provides a rehabilitation club for children with special needs, developmental kindergartens and a child development center. To enrich the center’s facilities, a special therapeutic yard is being planned, which will include a petting farm, therapeutic equipment, shading, landscaping and a lawn.

Donation required/NIS 1,045,000 - 1,145,000

**Project 11002 Be’er Milka – Dairy Farm**

KKL-JNF, in cooperation with the Ministry of Agriculture and the Jewish Agency for Israel, has established a dairy farm in the community of Be’er Milka. The farm serves as an economic anchor, providing employment for residents on the remote Egyptian border. The community’s thirty-two young families, challenged by the lack of work opportunities, are presently ensured livelihoods.

Donation required/NIS 300,000

**Project 11006 Yeroham Hesder Yeshiva – Landscape Development**

KKL-JNF, in cooperation the IDF, is planning to create a new, shaded and pleasant space suitable for a variety of outdoor activities for the “Yasurim” (114th) Squadron at the Tel Nof Air Base. The plan includes a sports ground, a meeting area that can hold some 10 people, a venue where holidays can be celebrated for 80 persons, and a space for holding large events that can contain approximately 200 participants.

Donation required/NIS TBD

**Project 8778 The Sheba Medical Center at Tel Hashomer – Path of Health**

KKL-JNF is assisting the Sheba Medical Center at Tel Hashomer to develop the open spaces along an existing walking path by installing sports, recreation and play equipment and outdoor furniture for seating and shade. The project will enrich the range of healthful activities available to benefit users of the medical center and will provide welcome respite from the pressured life inside the hospital itself.

Donation required/NIS 1,000,000

**Project 11031 Tsofar – Land Reclamation for Hothouses**

KKL-JNF has prepared 22.5 (9 hectares) of land for agricultural reclamation at the entrance to Nitzanim. The project includes constructing an access road from the farm to its orchards as well as fencing the area and installing an electrical gate for the protection of the site and its agriculture.

Donation required/NIS 1,045,000 - 1,145,000

**Project 11121 Moshav Tushia – Two Playgrounds**

KKL-JNF is planning to create playgrounds as part of the landscape-development of two areas in a new neighborhood in Moshav Tushia. New, young families and their children joining the moshav, located in the western Negev, Gaza border region, will most benefit from the playgrounds and green venues.

Donation required/NIS 3,650,000

**Project 11559 Yeroham Hesder Yeshiva – Landscape Development**

KKL-JNF is a partner in developing the landscape of the environs of a newly built hesder yeshiva located in the heart of Yeroham, enhancing and greening the desert town for the benefit of all its residents.

Donation required/NIS 300,000

**Project 11221 Tel Nof – “Yasurim” Helicopter Squadron – Landscape Development**

KKL-JNF, in cooperation the IDF, is planning to create an open, shaded and pleasant space suitable for a variety of outdoor activities for the “Yasurim” (114th) Squadron at the Tel Nof Air Base. The plan includes a sports ground, a meeting area that can hold some 10 people, a venue where holidays can be celebrated for 80 persons, and a space for holding large events that can contain approximately 200 participants.

Donation required/NIS TBD

**Project 11926 Yeshiva – Landscape Development**

KKL-JNF is planning an ecological park at the entrance to Nitzanim and En Tamir that will serve as a regional tourism attraction. This exciting project includes an ecological pool, simulating the moist habitat that was once in the area.

Donation required/NIS 800,000

**Project 10074 Kikar Sdom – Desert Eco Park**

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Donation required/NIS 800,000

**Project 1244 Arad – Single-Track Bicycle Trails**

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Donation required/NIS 2,600,000 - 3,000,000

**Project 10049 Yatir Forest - Hurvat Anim Restoration**

KKL-JNF is renovating Hurvat Anim, a large archeological site in the heart of Yatir Forest, Israel’s largest planted forests. The site also includes remains of an ancient synagogue. KKL-JNF is restoring the site and opening it to the public. Development includes a trail network, parking, seating areas and explanatory signs.

Donation required/NIS 2,200,000 - 2,300,000
**Hatseva – Preparing Land For Agriculture – 2014**

KKL-JNF has prepared land for agriculture, enabling Hatseva to absorb four new, young families into its community.

**Project 12289**

**Project 12226**

Bene Netsarin (Halutsit) – Housing Infrastructure (Stage 2)

Today, Bene Netsarin numbers 100 families and IFJ Canada is helping in preparing land for housing in the southern section of the community. The area for preparation includes some 30 hectares on a gradient requiring intensive earthworks.

Donation required/NIS 100,660

**Project 12270**

Arava – Samar – Preparing Land 2014

Founded in 1976, Kibbutz Samar in the southern Arava practices the principles of a collective community while respecting individual autonomy. Samar would like to increase its membership, for which purpose KKL-JNF is preparing land both for housing and agriculture.

Donation required/NIS 1,083,000

**Project 12288**

En Tahav – Preparing Land For Agriculture – 2014

KKL-JNF has prepared land for agriculture at Meshiv En Tahav in the central Arava, enabling the expansion of hothouse crops. In turn, the moshav will be able to absorb six new, young families.

Donation required/NIS 1,650,000 - 1,800,000

**Project 12290**

Hatseva – Preparing Land For Agriculture – 2014

KKL-JNF has prepared land for agriculture, enabling Hatseva to absorb four new, young families into its community.

Donation required/NIS 1,500,000 - 1,600,000

**Project 13171**

**Project 14048**

**Project 7307**

Kiryat Gat – Environmental Project in the Ethiopian Community*

KKL-JNF supports the “Hinena” Organization in Kiryat Gat, in a unique community project, HINELA, working to strengthen the connection between the Ethiopian Arava community and their traditions and culture. This, in turn, empowers the community and helps their integration into Israeli society. HINELA facilities two groups, comprising parents and their children, with focus on a sustainable lifestyle.

Donation required/NIS 100,660

**Project 12224**

Be’er Ora – Canada Park*

The desert community of Be’er Ora needs a green breathing space, a beautiful public park for the benefit of its residents, not least its children. An area of 0.4 hectares at the center of the well-planned community had been allocated just for this purpose. The park project will include gardening and irrigation, outdoor furniture (benches and seating arrangements), rubbish bins, drinking fountains, petals, trees, trails and access roads.

Donation required/NIS 500,000

**Project 14047**

Sderot – Torani Chadash School – KKL-JNF Green Leadership Classroom*

KKL-JNF provided the Torani Chadash School with a Green Leadership Classroom for its schoolyard. The classrooms are awarded to student councils that have met specific KKL-JNF environmental goals, where peer-educators, trained by KKL-JNF’s Youth and Education Division, lead experiential ecological and Zionist education sessions.

Donation required/NIS TBD

**Project 14046**

**Project 73671**

International Clean Up the World Day

International Clean Up the World Day promotes environmental awareness on a global scale. The event was held on October 19, 2013 in Kiryat Gat and in all major towns and cities around Israel. KKL-JNF leads Israel in cleaning up forests and open spaces. All sectors of Israeli society, Bedouins, Druze and Arab are involved and include elementary through high school students, new olim, soldiers, Haredim and employees of the respective local councils.

Donation required/NIS 823,000 - 900,000

**Project 14045**

**Project 73670**

KKL-JNF Forestry – Water and Soil Research Projects

KKL-JNF’s expertise in forestry, soil and water resource management is based on research that provides solutions for major management issues. KKL-JNF has been supporting studies for many years in forests, native woodlands, streams, pasture land and other open habitats that have great significance in densely populated Israel. KKL-JNF research projects are carried out together with outstanding Israeli scientists.
scientists from the top universities and research institutions in the country.

Donation required/NIS
40,000 - 200,000

Project 8550

Forest Rehabilitation and Maintenance

Forests suffer from fires, pests, diseases, weather (snow in the winter) and old age. Rehabilitating damaged forests and woods is a complex long-term project that requires serious study, detailed planning and careful work. KKL-JNF develops many different projects related to forest rehabilitation and maintenance, in many different fields.

Donation required/NIS
3,000,000 - 5,000,000

Project 13340

Ethiopia – Seeds of Hope – Testing Tomato Seeds for Farming

KKL-JNF and Fair Planet completed a pilot project to adapt tomato strains for cultivation in agricultural areas in Ethiopia. The project is now entering the economic implementation stage that will be conducted in two prototype training programs: one in Butajira and one in Haramaya. Program results will be monitored and assessed in order to determine the economic impact of the program on trained farmers.

Donation required/NIS
435,000

Worldwide

Project 73380

Turkana - Kenya – Agricultural Development Project

Furrows in the Desert (FID) was founded in 2010 by three NGOs: Brit Olam – International Volunteering and Development (Israel); Arava Center for Sustainable Development (Israel) and Missionary Community of Saint Paul the Apostle (MCSPA, Kenya). FID is a program designed to develop family plot agriculture in north Turkana, Kenya’s poorest county, to provide the inhabitants with new sources of food production and income. FID is based on Israeli expertise in desert agriculture, which has been developed over decades in the Negev and the Arava regions, combined with the water infrastructure created by MCSPA and the ongoing support of KKL-JNF.

Donation required/NIS
200,000