



# Mission Statement



## *To be a home in every sense of the word.*

A positive home environment (as opposed to a formal dormitory or rehabilitative service) is many things: a place where basic needs are met; a place where young people receive guidance and direction; a place of warmth, where they feel loved and supported. As a service that aspires to give our girls all that they need, we must continually strive to be all these things to those who need us.



## *To be as dynamic as the needs we encounter.*

Every girl is different, and needs in the field are constantly changing. 'One-size-fits-all' solutions will often miss the mark. It is our duty to be responsive to new needs and new target groups, and to be continually developing and improving our program accordingly.



## *To be comprehensive in our assistance.*

For a girl from a broken home or abusive background, life, even daily functioning, is put on hold. From the basic crisis of where to live, to emotional distress and a lack of direction, to the problems of continuing to perform in school, girls in crisis need a wide range of interventions and solutions. It is fundamental that we are comprehensive in the assistance we give: that no area of life is neglected, and that each girl who leaves our facility does so with the full range of tools she will need to continue on in life.



## *To not discriminate.*

Though we are a service with clear mandates and professional expertise in the religious community in Israel, it is important that we work to be as broad as possible in assisting as many women as we can under this rubric without compromising the core competencies of our service. Our frameworks must continue to be open to young religious women from a wide variety of backgrounds and religious levels, including women from around the world seeking to build a life here in Israel.



## *To empower.*

Each girl is a world unto herself, and each deserves the opportunity to chart a course for her life on her own terms. Our role in this is to facilitate, not to dictate: to work with each young woman, and help her determine the future that *she* most wants for herself – and to ensure that she gets there.



*To secure a home within the wider community.*

We recognize that a home extends beyond four walls, and that ultimately, each girl who comes through our doors will have to live in a wider social horizon. It is our mission to ensure that each young woman who seeks our support is assisted in making a home for herself in this wider community: to develop extended networks of friends and families from across the religious community; to develop the skills and abilities that she will need to build a life for herself; and to reconnect, spiritually and communally, to her religious identity.



*To keep the focus on the future.*

No matter what each girl has gone through in the past, it is only the future that we can impact. Though we must help those girls who come to us to constructively deal with the difficulties that brought them to us, in the end the most meaningful gift we can give them is that of a brighter and promising future.