



**Textual Activities Report for the year 2020**  
**Shanti House Association**

**Association No. 58-0199594**

**The Members of the Board are honored to submit to the Registrar of Associations a report about the Association's activities, as specified hereunder:**

### **About Shanti House Association – General Background**

Shanti House was founded in 1984 by Mariuma and her ex-partner. At the time, there were no other solutions available for homeless youth, so their home quickly filled with young people seeking a place to eat and sleep. Mariuma realized that their home was the only shelter for such youth and began improvising beds and providing them with a roof over their heads.

Currently, Shanti House serves as a temporary and long-term solution for runaway homeless youths aged 14 to 21, from all classes and sectors of society, regardless of religion, race, gender or nationality. At Shanti House, we treat youths who face immediate danger or who are about to deteriorate into a life of physical violence, sexual abuse, delinquency, prostitution, etc. We also operate a preventive program for youths at risk throughout the country.

Shanti House Association operates two homes: Shanti House in Tel Aviv and the Desert Shanti Youth Village located on route 40, about 5 kilometers from Sde Boker. The combined occupancy of both homes ranges from 70 to 114 youths.

The doors to the Shanti Houses are open to abandoned youths who suffer from emotional distress, do not have a warm home, and who were in many cases subjected to physical, sexual or emotional abuse. We believe that a home that is full of love and people who truly care has the power to change lives, and it is for this reason that the **Home** occupies the center of our therapeutic model – a home with a family atmosphere of warmth and compassion.

With decades of experience and lives spent with tens of thousands of youths, we know we have paved a path to normative lives for more than 80% of the youths. The Shanti House youth integrate into various educational frameworks and complete their education. Some even choose to continue their education as counselors for troubled youths with the goal of working at Shanti House.

Over the 37 years of its operation, Shanti House has come a long way, particularly in the uniqueness of the therapeutic methods it has developed for helping youths in distress. The Shanti House staff has developed a model that can be adopted in any country seeking to provide a solution for youths at risk. Our vision is that our therapeutic approach will serve as a global model, with the Shanti House Association being a global umbrella organization that encourages collaboration, to create a fairer and healthier world.

### **The Shanti House Association Vision**

"Returning runaway and homeless youth to an optimal way of life by creating a supporting and guiding environment suited to their needs."

### **Goals of the Shanti House Association**

- Goal 1 – Provision of a shelter, refuge and a warm home for runaways and youths at risk
- Goal 2 – Offering of solutions for youths in distress using therapeutic tools
- Goal 3 – Provision of assistance to youth in adoption of a normative way of life
- Goal 4 – Raising awareness among youths

### **Unique Solution for Israeli Youth at Risk**

There are many organizations and associations active across the country that provide solutions for those defined as "youth at risk", however, of these, Shanti House is the only one that provides assistance to youth at risk and youth who are in mortal danger on a 24 hour / day basis, without requiring any official references, a waiting period, or a time limit. We receive youths in a wide range of ages, from 14 to 21.

Sustainability of the program over the long term – Graduates of Shanti House continue to receive support and assistance, both practical and emotional, for years. Many of our graduates continue

visiting the house, especially during Kabalat Shabbat and holiday meals, with the Shanti House continuing to serve as their home and familial support.

## **Target Population**

Shanti House Association provides and has assisted tens of thousands of youths aged 14 – 21.

## **Tel Aviv Shanti House**

Shanti House was founded in 1984 by Mariuma and her ex-partner. At the time, there were no other solutions available for homeless youth and their home quickly filled with young people seeking a place to eat and sleep. A young girl who lived in the house at that time said: "I feel really *shanti* here". When she was asked about the meaning of the word Shanti, she replied: "love and tranquility in Sanskrit". One of the youngsters staying in the house took black spray paint and wrote 'Welcome to Shanti House' in big black letters on the wall. The name "Shanti House" was chosen by the children and the rest is history. Since that time, Shanti House has provided tens of thousands of youths with vital assistance.

Youths staying at the house belong to a group of young girls and boys that were forced to leave their homes and found themselves homeless due to physical, sexual or verbal abuse, as well as youths who were orphaned, abandoned, youth who left formal therapeutic institutions, new immigrants, and soldiers that do not have families in Israel.

Shanti House admits youths from all over the country, from all sectors of society, regardless of religion, race, gender or nationality.

For many of them, Shanti House is their last chance for a warm and loving home before they deteriorate into life on the street. Despite its extensive activities, Shanti House's operations are based primarily on donations.

In 2001, Shanti House moved to Simtat Shlush in south Tel Aviv, and on the 5<sup>th</sup> of February 2018, with great excitement, Shanti House moved to its first permanent home on 5 Nahum Goldman street, that was built thanks to the generous donations of Doron and Marian Livnat, on land allocated by the Tel Aviv – Jaffa municipality.

## **Desert Shanti Youth Village**

The Desert Shanti Youth Village started out as Mariuma's vision in 2001. The Village was established eight years later, together with Michael Ben Yosef who joined the Association's management in 2005, and with the support of Shmulik Ripman, Mayor of Hanegev Regional Council, the Rashi Foundation headed at the time by Eli Alalouf, and of course, Shanti House Association. It should be noted that the Ministry of Transport, Ministry for the Negev and Galilee, KKL and additional donors joined the association in the realization of this dream.

The village, which was opened in 2009 in a ceremony attended by the President of the State of Israel at the time, the late Mr. Shimon Peres, is unprecedented in Israel. The village covers an area of 54 hectares and is dedicated solely to the welfare of youth at risk and their rescue.

In the village's construction, emphasis was placed on "green" construction, using environmentally friendly materials, water recycling and the optional use of solar power.

Special emphasis was placed on the interior and exterior design in the construction of the Desert Shanti Youth Village, and the result is spectacularly beautiful. This emphasis is based on and is in line with the world-view of the association's founder, Mariuma. The youths arriving at Shanti House have lived in alienated environments and have undergone very difficult experiences. Their first sensation upon entering the Village is one of warmth, tranquility, optimism and care. There is a direct connection for these young people between the home's external appearance and their openness to embrace life and desire to become part of Shanti House. The connection between the home's aesthetics and the experience it provides the youth is immediate and has long term impact.

Currently, there are 330,000 children and youth at risk in Israel, 28,000 of them in the country's south. For these young people, Desert Shanti is the last stop and a unique opportunity for rehabilitation and rebuilding a new life before they descend into life on the streets.

The village was built and is operated based on the Tel Aviv Shanti House model, while expanding the therapeutic tools used by Shanti House Association: therapeutic horse ranch, petting zoo, hydrotherapy center, agricultural therapy, crafts & occupation center and more – all with the goal of addressing the needs of youths in southern Israel and realization of the vision of extending treatment to youths at risk in Israel and in the Negev.

Desert Shanti House is a therapeutic-rehabilitative village designed, at the initial stage, for 50 youths and at the second stage for 100 youths, aged 14-21, that are in real and immediate risk. The youngsters come to the village after having to leave their homes due to physical, verbal, mental or sexual violence; abuse, abandonment, or are youth who have dropped out of formal therapeutic frameworks. They are referred to the village by welfare authorities or arrive of their own free will. Upon their arrival, they are embraced by a close family circle and receive warm and individual therapy. The desert and nature are central themes in the therapeutic methods offered to youth arriving at the village.

Desert Shanti House emphasizes participation in social programs, bonding with the developing community in the south as well as giving to the community. Despite its location, Desert Shanti House has access to schools, hospitals, community services and workplaces for youths.

## **1. Major activities of the Association throughout the year for advancement of its objectives**

### **a. Warm Home Project – 24 hours a Day Family**

Shanti House Association serves as an alternative family for youths left without a family, and those at risk of living on the street, and provides them with shelter and all their physical and emotional needs.

Shanti House' therapeutic model is custom tailored for each youth according to his or her needs and is implemented by an experienced team of counselors that support, guide, care, accept and embrace the youth with love.

The home operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Admission of youths is possible at any given time, without requiring official references, a waiting period, or a time limit.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Shanti House Tel Aviv – 66% of the total cost of direct activities.

Desert Shanti House Village – 46% of the total cost of direct activities.

Youths staying in Shanti House fall into three categories:

#### **Category 1: Youth staying at Shanti House for periods ranging one week to several years.**

The average stay in Shanti house is three months. For these youths Shanti House becomes a real home, as they undergo a therapeutic journey aimed at enabling them to lead a normative life as adults. The therapeutic model at Shanti House is personally tailored for each youth according to his or her needs and is implemented by an experienced guidance team that enfold, directs, cares for, accepts and wraps them with love. Care includes food, hygiene, clothes, studies, individual and group guidance, courses and classes, social activities and more.

**Category 2: 24 hours to one week.** These youths return to their families or to the institutions from which they ran away following mediation talks and reaching an understanding with the parents or treating party.

**Category 3: Youths staying from one hour to 24 hours.** Their stay includes: meals, showers, place to sleep, staff member that conducts an intake process – mediation, learning the details and

referral, telephone calls, transportation, clothes and even travel money. This category is composed of subcategories:

- Youths that ran away from other therapeutic centers or from their home and are returned to the place they ran away from, or referred to a suitable place following clarification and mediation. Some of these youths stay at Shanti House, at their request.
- Youths who do not meet the criteria of Shanti House's target group, usually because they pose a threat to the well-being of the house and its residents. These youths are referred and escorted to another suitable location following intake.
- Solitary soldiers coming for weekends of vacations.
- Kabbalat Shabbat / holidays – the house is open and welcomes, during Kabbalat Shabbat and holidays, graduates, families of residents (brothers, sisters, parents) and youths that the places where they stay close over the weekend.
- Youths from institutions and hostels in conflict area that must be evacuated due to rocket and missile fire.
- Graduates returning to the house to receive help, including: clothes, groceries, use of the laundry, medical treatment, furniture, baby equipment, preparing for childbirth, consulting, support – hugs, warmth and love, and even scholarships, referral for studies, rent assistance, pocket money and more.

Estimated number of youths for 2020				
Shanti House Association				
Category	Details	Tel Aviv Shanti House	Desert Shanti House	Total
Category 1	From month to several years	114	89	203
Category 2	From 24 hours to one week	310	95	405
Category 3	Up to 24 hours	3 to 4 per day		1,278
				1,886

Shanti House rehabilitates, accompanies and prepares youths for adult life as normative citizens that contribute to society. Shanti House is their **family backbone and support** even after they set out on and live independently (about the time they reach the age of 26), and provides scholarships, educational and professional training, work skills, preparation for military and civil service and more.

Shanti House serves as a caring family for graduates who support themselves and build their future: support and involvement throughout the regular military service and permanent service, help furnishing a house when moving, emotional and organizational support for weddings and presence as a family in all respects during Birth ceremonies, birthdays and more.

## b. The Shantherapy Project

The Shantherapy program is the heart and core of the unique therapeutic model developed by the Shanti House Association. Shantherapy offers classes, courses, workshops, tutoring, therapies and enrichment workshops at Shanti House developed to advance youths scholastically, socially and emotionally, and contributes greatly to the children's rehabilitation and character building. It is a safe way to release anger, sadness and frustration, as well as being an important source of interest and enjoyment.

Our many years of experience have proven that the Shantherapy program promotes a sense of belonging, responsibility and maturity among the youths, and creates integration and equality between the young people. We now realize that Shantherapy contributes greatly to the rehabilitation of the youths and helps bring joy back into their lives.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report.

The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Tel Aviv Shanti House: 11% of the total cost of direct activities.

The beneficiaries are all the youths staying in Shanti House Tel Aviv as well as approximately 2,000 soldiers, youths and groups who visited Shanti House to attend lectures dealing with the abuse of drugs and alcohol and with violence as part of Shanththerapy activities.

Desert Shanti: 8% of the total cost of direct activities.

The beneficiaries are all the youths staying in Desert Shanti House, as well 6,500 soldiers, youths, primary schools, pensioners and groups who visited Shanti House to attend lectures dealing with the use of drugs, alcohol and violence as part of Shanththerapy activities. This year we witnessed a sharp increase in the number of soldiers who came for group visits, lectures and volunteer work.

### **c. Social Activities**

Cultural events are a vital and central element in the development of youths and in their integration into a normative social life. Lectures, films, plays, exhibitions and various events open the gates to new worlds for these youths, expand their horizons and focus their attention on positive stimuli.

Most of the young people staying at Shanti House have had very little exposure to any type of culture, since most of their resources were focused on survival. In addition, it helps them to integrate with their fellow youths, since they are familiar with what is happening and can participate in conversations about the world around them; this contributes greatly to increasing their self-esteem and self-confidence.

Trips and hikes to sites throughout the country provide additional added value and reinforce their sense of belonging and connection with Israel.

When these young people return to the house from these types of activities, they are calmer, feel closer to one another, and return with positive experiences and know that there are other things out there, which are unlike their past experiences.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Tel Aviv Shanti House: 6% of the total cost of direct activities.

Desert Shanti Youth Village: 3% of the total cost of direct activities.

## **2. Other Activities Conducted by the Association this Year**

### **a. The Participating Community**

Informative and preventive activities are conducted at Shanti House as well as in various events, fairs and festivals throughout the country that attract the Association's target population.

Youths staying at Shanti House as well as volunteers are integrated into these informative activities.

Also, Shanti House products are sold, including an elegant story and cookbook that combines recipes for Shabbat Eve meals with fascinating stories and tales. The recipes were volunteered by 32 of Israel's leading Chefs and the beautiful and moving accompanying photos were all taken at Shanti House.

The "Not by Food Alone" book is composed of 54 double spreads, corresponding to the number of Saturdays in a year, and for each week the name of the Bible chapter that is traditionally read that week is listed. In addition to the recipes, a collection of anecdotes and



tales, with educational messages that are told by Michael to the young residents of Shanti House every Friday evening, during Kabalat Shabbat.

The desserts cookbook "Not by Sweet Alone" is composed of folk stories that are told at holiday meals at Shanti House. Following the success of the first cookbook, that portrayed the essence, meaning and experience of Kabalat Shabbat at Shanti House, we decided this time as well to offer readers delicacies, this time sweet ones, presented through the experiences that the youngsters undergo during the Jewish holidays.

Every holiday, leading confectioners, pastry chefs and photographers came to Shanti House in Tel Aviv and in the Desert, and prepared tasty desserts together with the children. This cookbook is a sequel that depicts the life of the youths at Shanti House and the significance of Shanti House to them, as well as serving as a tool to support the continued operation and survival of Shanti House Association.

Like the first book, this cookbook also combines stories and fables ending with an educational, moral lesson, according to the spirit of each holiday.

All the stories, fables, emotions and culinary experiences serve as the basis of this book, that reflects the unique magic of Shanti House, a home that provides a sense of family to so many homeless boys and girls at risk.

The book was created with love by Mariuma, with the steadfast assistance of Michal Moses and Ms. Dana Livnat-Gazit and the generous support of Strauss company, that has been a sponsor of Shanti House for many years.

Through these activities, youth are able to find their way to Shanti House.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Tel Aviv Shanti House: 12% of the total cost of direct activities.

Desert Shanti Youth Village: 9% of the total cost of direct activities.

#### **b. Personal Safety and Village Maintenance**

Some of the youths staying at the Desert Shanti Village have spent long periods on the street, and so found it difficult to blend in and were alienated from various frameworks. A significant part of their rehabilitation process involves the establishment of a personal schedule and integrating into various aspects of life at the house. For those who find it difficult to integrate into conventional frameworks, we have created an alternative by customizing a personal employment program for each youth that is specially tailored to his or her abilities and desires. Taking part in the village's gardening and maintenance work gives these youths a sense of belonging and enables them to adopt healthy life patterns and learn new tools, such as: responsibility, perseverance, personal initiative, and more. The program promotes environmental protection and raises awareness of environmental quality issues. In addition, the project greatly contributes to healing the self-image of the youths to and creating a sense of productivity, and is an important milestone in their rehabilitation process in preparation for living on their own.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Tel Aviv Shanti House: 3% of the total cost of direct activities.

Desert Shanti Youth Village: 9% of the total cost of direct activities.

#### **c. Tent and Garden Complex: Friendship Tent and Shneur Garden**

The Friendship Tents is a unique project located near the entrance to the Desert Shanti Youth Village, that was contributed by the International Fellowship of Christians & Jews. In Friendship tent activities, youths are integrated together for the purpose of teaching them hospitality and assisting them in the realization of the Shanti House vision based on contributing to the community, with lectures about Shanti House and pioneering in the

Negev for social workers, teachers, pensioners, soldiers, high school students, delegation from abroad and more.

Various workshops are held in the Friendship tent that support the Shanti House vision, including workshops dealing with the prevention of violence and abuse of drugs and alcohol by youth and the public at large.

In December 2011, the late Supreme Court Justice Michael Cheshin and his wife Mrs. Ruth Hadassa Cheshin decided to realize their son Yoel Cheshin and his partner Danna's idea and combine their wedding with commemoration for their son, the late Shneur Cheshin, through a contribution to the community.

The decision reached was to build a garden in Desert Shanti House, named Shneur Garden, and will in the future be a source of income for youths at risk and homeless youths. The Shneur Garden was constructed thanks to the generous contribution of the Cheshin family.

The Friendship tent and the Shneur Garden together serve as the entry complex to Desert Shanti House. The hospitality commandment and tradition of welcoming of any guest are an integral part of the very essence of Shanti House.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Desert Shanti House Youth Village : 5% of the total cost of direct activities.

#### **d. Gardening Therapy**

Part of the Shanti House complex is allocated for therapy through gardening and agriculture, that utilizes the healing power of plants. Gardening therapy has proven itself as essential, and offers numerous advantages: the physical activity and movement needed to take care of plants contribute to the development and improvement of muscle coordination and vital motor skills. Caring for plants and working with them places responsibility on the youth's shoulders, and gives them a purpose and goal – this increases their confidence and improves their self-image and mood.

The encounter with living plants contributes to the youths' awareness of their environment and their ability to overcome obstacles. Additionally, gardening therapy intellectually stimulates the youths by teaching and studying topics such as the plant's structure and encouraging group interaction, and thereby fosters cooperation, responsibility and development of leadership skills.

The experience of a child who receives a seed and undergoes a growing process along with it is a very positive experience, and contributes to their self-image and sense of competency. As part of the project, nature trips are held and they intensify the experience and the therapeutic outcomes. Gardening therapy combines loving and caring for nature with the rehabilitation of street youths.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Desert Shanti House: 3% of the total cost of direct activities.

#### **e. Animal Therapy**

##### Therapeutic Horse Ranch

At the beginning of 2013 we were excited and happy to open the horse ranch complex in the Desert Shanti House Youth Village - the first therapeutic ranch of its kind in the entire Ramat HaNegev region, whose goal is to treat and empower youths at risk and endangered youths using animals.

These therapeutic methods have proven themselves in Israel and around the world as effective treatment methods that succeed in touching the souls of young people and help them in the rehabilitation processes, yet to date these methods were not available to youths at risk.



Caring for animals gives the caregiver confidence (by taking the role of caregiver) and reinforces his or her self-esteem. In addition, the youth experiences a sense of responsibility and control of the situation, which serves as a corrective experience. The horse ranch is a means of alleviating feelings of loneliness and depression, creating employment and physical activity, encouraging physical contact and affection, and contributing to a sense of personal security. Also, caring for horses is a source of interest and even amusement, contributing to distracting the youths from the things that trouble them and make it difficult for them to move forward. Thus, animal assisted therapy allows youths to experience another side of themselves - the soft, caring, devoted and loving side.

Horse riding improves muscle movement, and the functioning and control of the nervous system. The process of connecting with the horse requires youths to improve various social skills, including body language, tone of voice, strength regulation, asking and giving, making eye contact and touch. These skills are also expressed in relations with people in the community.

Based on their own therapeutic experience, Shanti House children acquire the tools to help take care of children who come to the ranch. They join in caring for the upkeep of the ranch as part of the therapeutic process and the acquisition of profession for the future.

Shanti House youths that have experienced abandonment learn, for the first time ever, to give life and to help youths from all over the south.

#### Therapeutic petting zoo

In June 2016, the therapeutic petting zoo was opened in honor of the late Michael Cheshin. Animal therapy is a powerful therapeutic tool that is particularly suited for the treatment of children suffering from social and family hardships. This is also very suitable for children with emotional and mental difficulties, or those with attention deficit, hyperactivity, communication difficulties, etc. Direct contact with animals is a healing and supportive connection that enables us to reach the child's world, support him or her, and help them move forward on various levels.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Desert Shanti House: 8% of the total cost of direct activities.

#### **f. Water therapy (Hydrotherapy) – Watsu Pool**

In October 2014, the therapeutic Watsu pool was opened. Hydrotherapy affects the subconscious, and for many of the Shanti House youth, who have had difficult childhoods, and experienced desertion, violence and sexual abuse – Watsu helps them to connect to a place of softness and touch. Watsu treatments are individual, and are conducted by certified therapists – a male therapist for boys and a female therapist for girls.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Desert Shanti House: 3% of the total cost of direct activities.

#### **g. Crafts & Employment Center**

In September 2016, a center for crafts and occupation was opened. The center is designed to enable youths to experience the creative experience through exposure, familiarity and assimilation of the craft professions. This experience, which requires advanced thought and planning, control of implementation of the acquired knowledge, patience and precision, listening and learning - enables the youths to recognize and advance in fields they feel suit them, whether as the beginning of more professional employment training in the field of their choice, or as support for the overall educational process, for which these traits are essential.

In the financial statements, all expenses associated with this activity were included under Note 10 – Operational Costs - on page 18 of the report. The sums used for financing of these activities are as follows:

Desert Shanti House: 5% of the total cost of direct activities.

#### **h. Organs and Association Functionaries**

a. The Association is managed by the Association Board which is elected by the members of the Association. The Board meets three times a year. Daily management is performed by the Association's management. The Association's auditing committee meets at least three times a year, and it reports directly to the members of the General Assembly during its annual meeting.

b. The following are the members of the Association (Sections B – E):

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>ID no.</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>No. of cont. years in position</b>
<b>Noa Eyal</b>	Association member	300462926	Morad Hacarmel Kerem Maharal	1.5 Association Board – 7 Auditing Committee – 10 Association member - 3.5
<b>Arale Cohen</b>	Association member	029095163	4 Hameiri St., Tel Aviv	

c. Management Board Composition:

<b>Alon Rom, Retired Judge</b>	Chairperson	055467279	1 Haim Herzog St., Kiryat Ono	Management Board - 20
<b>Doron Livnat</b>	Board member	0539488097	2 Pinkas, Tel Aviv	Management Board – 1.5
<b>Aliza Goren</b>	Board member	5050580	101 Rokah Avenue, Tel Aviv	11
<b>Keren Corinadeli Gabay</b>	Board member	22280119	16 a Shamir St., Tel Aviv	9

d. Auditing Committee Composition:

<b>Ran Wolf</b>	Auditing Committee	025558826	5a Mandelkeren Path, Tel Aviv	Association member – 7 Auditing Committee – 3.5
<b>Jill Gamon</b>	Auditing Committee	316971076	13 Marc Chagall St., Tel Aviv	Auditing Committee – 4.5
<b>Amir Guy</b>	Auditing Committee	024288466	63 Levy Eshkol st., Ramat Aviv, TA	Association member – 3 months Auditing Committee – 3.5

e. Salaried Position Holders:

<b>Mariuma Klein Shanti</b>	CEO	069291045	P.O. Box 50041, Tel Aviv 61500	28
<b>Michael Ben Yosef</b>	Deputy CEO	024288144	P.O. Box 50041, Tel Aviv 61500	16

f. Authorized Signatories (Limited):

<b>Mariuma Klein Shanti</b>	CEO	069291045	P.O. Box 50041, Tel Aviv 61500
<b>Michael Ben Yosef</b>	Deputy CEO	024288144	P.O. Box 50041, Tel Aviv 61500
<b>Dekel Sabag</b>	CFO	024955064	P.O. Box 50041, Tel Aviv 61500
<b>Alon Rom, Retired Judge</b>	Chairperson	055467279	1 Haim Herzog St., Kiryat Ono

Note: The Association's articles of incorporation permit the appointment of authorized signatories who are not Board members.

In 2020, a total no. of 65 employees were employed at the Tel Aviv Shanti House and Desert Shanti Youth Village.

In 2019, a total no. of 320 volunteers offered their assistance at the Tel Aviv Shanti House and Desert Shanti Youth Village.

**4. Related Corporations and Stakeholders:**

**Shanti House Endowment Fund:**

The Endowment Fund was established in January 2000. The Fund is managed by the Bank Leumi Le'Israel's Trust company and is legally registered as a Public Fund.

The fund is permanently closed, and only its fruits will be used to finance the ongoing activities of Shanti House.

**Agricultural Cooperative:**

On 21.06.2006, Warm Home for Youth at Risk in Ramat HaNegev – Agricultural Cooperative Ltd., no. 57-004790-2 was incorporated and registered, together with Nitzanei Pamonit Ltd. (Nakash Moshe) and the Ramat HaNegev Culture, Youths and Sports Center (Ripman Shmuel).

As of 31.12.2020, no activities were recorded.

**Association for Construction of Shanti House:**

The Association was founded on 13.11.2008 by the Livnat family, from money that Doron and Marian Livnat allocated for donating for construction of a permanent home for Shanti House in Tel Aviv. The Association number: 58-0496073.

Founders: Livnat Doron, Livnat-Baris Maria, Livnat Adi, Maio Israel, Malka Ron, Rosenfeld Adi, Ben-Rosh Boaz. Construction of the permanent home began in 2016 on land that was allocated by the Municipality of Tel Aviv.

**American Friends of Shanti House Association**

During the month of December 2013, American Friends of Shanti House Association received the approval of the US authorities. The Association number is 46-2548190. The Association was founded by Sheri Yogev and Shanti Shanti, for the purpose of raising funds for the projects of the Shanti House Association in Israel.

**Jerusalem Foundation**

On July 6, 2020, an agreement was signed between the Jerusalem Foundation (Registered Association # 58-0012805) and the Shanti House Association, for cooperation in the establishment of the Jerusalem Shanti House. On October 13, 2020, a joint sale agreement was signed for the purchase of a house in Ein Kerem, Jerusalem.

**5. The Scope of Services Provided to the Association by Service Providers who Constitute a Central role of its operations:**

Not applicable.

**6. Major uses made by the Association of the donation sums over the past year:**

<b>Tel Aviv Shanti House</b>	<b>In 1,000 NIS</b>
Warm Home – 24 hours a day family	4,632
Shantherapy	799
Social Activities	386
Participating Community	870
Graduates apartment	112
Transfer to related association	179
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,978</b>
<b>Desert Shanti Youth Village</b>	<b>In 1,000 NIS</b>
Warm Home – 24 hours a day Project	4,269
Shantherapy	759
Social Activities	274
Participating Community	869
Personal Safety and Village Maintenance	875
Tent and Garden Complex	503
Agriculture Therapy	270
Animal Therapy – Therapy Experience	722
Hydrotherapy – Watsu pool	269
Crafts and occupation center	442
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,886</b>

**7. Fund Raising Expenses Incurred over the Past Year:**

Total cost of fund raising: 116,833 NIS.

**8. Other funds and assets transferred by the Association not in the context of the realization of its goals, with no returns:**

No funds were transferred.

**9. Real estate transactions conducted by the Association during the past year:**

On October 13, 2020, the Shanti House Association signed an agreement for the purchase of a house in Ein Kerem, Jerusalem, together with the Jerusalem Foundation, for the establishment of the Jerusalem Shanti House.

**10. Demands for correction of deficiencies made by a certified authority:**

No demands for corrections of deficiencies were raised.

## 11. Irregular Events which took place within the Association during the Past Year:

No irregular events took place over the course of the past year.

## 12. Geographic Deployment:

The activities of the Shanti House Association are carried out in the city of Tel Aviv and in the Negev (Desert Shanti House). Youths are admitted from all over the country.

## 13. Other Important Events Over the Past year:

### • Covid 19 Pandemic:

These days, when the world is still struggling with the Covid 19 pandemic, we are here for our youth as every day of the year 24/7 - taking care of their well-being physically and mentally, alongside the economic challenges and uncertainty we are facing.

Youth who live in Shanti houses (Tel Aviv and Shanti House youth village in the desert) have nowhere to go. In an attempt to cut costs and resources, while protecting the Shanti House children, we redirected the operation of Tel Aviv Shanti House to emergency placement only, placed some of the staff on unpaid leave and transferred all the youth to the Desert Shanti Youth Village, together with teams that guide them in a variety of day-long activities, while creating a closed and sterile bubble

We believe in the existence of a therapeutic sequence and routine as part of the process of young people coping with their emotional difficulties, moreover, in a time when young people did not go to school, we are required to employ them and create opportunities to acquire additional tools that will serve them in the future.

It is important to note that due to strict and professional operation, no youth or staff member has been infected with the virus!

- Continuation of a joint venture agreement with the Ministry of Welfare.
- Due to Covid -19 crisis we have witness substantial decrease in our community project at the therapeutic horse ranch in Desert Shanti House, in which youth who are referred by the welfare departments in Ramat Hanegev region, receive therapeutic lessons that are subsidized by a donor. Shanti House youth serve as assistants to the instructors in these lessons.
- Due to Covid -19 crisis we could not conduct Bar and Bat Mitzvah ceremony for children, their families and guests from the south region who do not have the financial ability to hold these ceremonies.
- Due to Covid 19 crisis, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Dance for Life Festival (1080 Minutes) did not take place.
- In September 2020, we held the fifth harvest of our vineyard that is located in the Shanti House Youth Village in the desert.
- Due to Covid 19 crisis, Shanti House traditional **Journey for the soul**- Bike Ride did not take place.
- In November 2020, a national online campaign was conducted marking the Universal Children's Day, in collaboration with the Adler Chomski & Warshavsk advertising agency.
- In November 2020, a crowdfunding campaign was successfully held for the continued existence of the Shanti House in light of Covid-19 crisis
- Together with the Jerusalem Foundation and the welfare authorities, the Shanti House continues to work towards the opening of another house in Jerusalem

## **Signature of the Association's Board Members**

We, the undersigned, Retired Judge Alon Rom and Keren Corinadeli Gabay, two members of the Association's Board, hereby confirm the details of the aforementioned textual report for 2020, as presented above, that has been submitted to the members of the Auditing Committee on 17.06.2021 and approved by the General Assembly on 22.06.2021.

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Keren Corinadeli Gabay  
Management Board

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Retired Judge Alon Rom  
Chairperson of the Association