

# i Innovation: Africa



Innovation: Africa is an Israeli non-profit organization that brings Israeli solar, water, and agricultural technologies to rural African villages. Since 2008, using Israeli solar and water technology, Innovation: Africa has delivered access to clean water and light to nearly 3 million people across 10 African countries. They partner with communities and local workers to:

- Install solar energy systems for rural schools and medical centers. In addition to providing light, the solar energy powers computers in schools and refrigeration to properly store medicines, vaccines, and other necessary medical equipment. They work with communities to earn funds to maintain the solar electricity systems.
- Install solar-powered water pumps to access water from underground and bring clean water to taps installed throughout the village.
- Install Israeli drip irrigation systems which allow local farmers to generate more affordable and larger crop yields using less water. This provides a source of food and income for farmers and their families.





IsraAID is Israel's leading nonprofit humanitarian aid organization. Since its founding in Tel Aviv in 2001, IsraAID has worked in emergency and long-term development settings in more than 55 countries. Through its more than 300 staff members worldwide, the organization provides life-saving emergency response and long-term support to communities affected by natural disasters, post-conflict situations, and health epidemics. In recent years IsraAID has been a leader in assistance to refugees globally.

IsraAID prioritizes working in true partnership with communities in an approach called 'Communities First.' As a part of this approach, the communities supply local knowledge, experience, people-power, and tools. IsraAID works to deliver technologies, resources, and long-developed professional expertise (oftentimes from Israel, which has a lot of experience dealing with trauma, water scarcity, and disaster relief and preparedness.)





# Kishorit



Kishorit was founded in 1997 by several Israeli social entrepreneurs who joined forces with mental health professionals to create a better alternative than existing options for their loved ones with special needs.

Kishorit provides a home for life for adults with special needs in the Galilee, in the north of Israel. This supportive community provides a variety of residential, social, and job services. Kishorit members live full, independent lives, and mature and grow old with dignity.

Being a home for life means providing a warm, nurturing, and stable home and community, where the members can reside for the rest of their lives. Members celebrate happy occasions together, share experiences, face difficulties, and struggle with common challenges. The Kishorit framework provides a range of residential options, employment opportunities, leisure time activities, medical assistance when necessary, and opportunities for full integration into the broader community.







# Leket Israel



Leket Israel was founded by Joseph Gitler, a social entrepreneur who made Aliyah from the U.S. in 2000. He founded Leket Israel in 2003 to reduce significant food waste in Israel as well as rising poverty rates.

One-quarter of the population in Israel is food insecure. Leket Israel is the country's largest national food bank and leading food rescue network. Each year, with the help of 40,000 volunteers, Leket Israel rescues over 700,000 meals and 21 million pounds of produce and perishable goods and supplies; over 1.25 million volunteer-prepared sandwiches for underprivileged children. Food that would have otherwise gone to waste is redistributed to nearly 300 nonprofit partners caring for the needy.





# Twinned Peace Sports Schools



## A PROJECT OF THE PERES CENTER FOR PEACE & INNOVATION

The Twinned Peace Sports Schools initiative brings together Israeli and Palestinian youth to participate in peace education programming through sports and competition. The core of the program pairs Jewish and Arab and Israeli and Palestinian communities together. The youth of the “twinned” communities learn to play soccer in mixed groups as one team. The participants are guided by coaches with extensive training in using sport as a tool for building mutual understanding and strengthening interpersonal ties.

At the end of each year, participants meet for the “Mini Mondial”—a World Cup themed tournament—and together with ambassadors from around the world, local mayors, and Israeli Premier League soccer players, enjoy a full day of sports, sportsmanship, and peacebuilding.

The Twinned Peace Sports Schools initiative is a project of the Peres Center for Peace & Innovation, a nonprofit that supports programs promoting coexistence and technological entrepreneurship.







# The Jaffa Institute



Since 1982, the Jaffa Institute nonprofit has assisted the city of Jaffa’s disadvantaged children and their families. The Institute’s aim is to help break the cycle of poverty in the impoverished communities of Jaffa, South Tel Aviv, and Bat Yam in Israel. They provide educational, nutritional, therapeutic, and social programs that help children develop positive attitudes and skills to go on to lead happy, healthy, and productive lives.

The Jaffa Institute is holistic in approach and responsive to the diverse needs of the people they serve. They operate over 30 different programs, including crisis residences for at-risk youth, educational enrichment centers, food security programs, support to elderly individuals, Holocaust survivors, and women’s empowerment programs. The Jaffa Institute provides service and relief to over 4,000 citizens each year. In 2001, the Institute was awarded the Israel President’s Prize for Most Outstanding Voluntary Organization.





## Save a Child's Heart



Save a Child's Heart (SACH) is an Israeli humanitarian organization that provides lifesaving medical care to children suffering from heart disease in countries where access to pediatric heart care is limited or nonexistent. Through bringing children to Israel for medical care, performing missions abroad, and training medical personnel, they bring hope to families, communities, and countries.

Since its founding in 1995, SACH has treated over 5,700 children suffering from heart disease. Approximately half of the children are from the West Bank and Gaza, Iraq, and Morocco. Another 40% are from countries across Africa, and the others are from Asia, Eastern Europe, and the Americas. As Israel's "Preeminent humanitarian organization," they are transforming pediatric cardiac care around the world.

