



The Survivor Mitzvah Project

To our generous and kindhearted donors,

Your donation means life to the elderly survivors of the Holocaust in Eastern Europe. There are no words that can describe the importance and urgency of our project better than the words of the survivors themselves. Most live alone in harsh conditions. In their 80s and 90s, many struggle to grow potatoes for a food supply and chop wood for heating fuel. Poor and in failing health, all are in need of food, medication and heat. Over the years we have received thousands of letters of thanks for the aid and support you have provided.

These letters are for you:

"I sometimes think to myself what would have become of us without you; it would have been terribly hard without your help. I find only one answer – all of you are sent to us by G-d on high. And only because of you, all of you, are we still living and rejoicing from such happiness from such precious people as you are!" Sapiro Family - Lithuania



"My name is Rahkil. I am very old. I received your letter and the money. I was so surprised I could not sleep all night. I can't believe there are such nice people in the world. Now I am not alone..." Rahkil F., age 100 - Belarus 100, Belarus

**At left, Rahkil in 2007.
At right c. 1938,
(second from left)
Rahkil with her family
who perished in the
Holocaust.**



"The heart medicine Valocordin last year was 8-12 grivnas per bottle, this year is 58 grivnas – I use up one bottle in 10 days. One loaf of bread was 1 grivna and 30 kopecs, now it is 3 grivnas and 75 kopecs –it lasts me for three days...My dearest friends... I can't imagine how I would survive without your help." Tzylia B., age 86 - Ukraine

"I am 85 years old. I live alone. The heat is from a wood-burning stove. In the winter it needs firewood. ...I am touched by your attention." Celia G. - Lithuania

"Dear beloved friends, Every time I get your letters, I get healthier. You are my elixir of health. I am very pleased to have such dedicated, sensitive, responsive friends who help me live through all the misfortunes and hardships.

I do not know how I would survive if it were not for you.

Life in our country became very hard for the old and the sick there are no advantages or respect.... I received gelt from you in the amount of \$600, enormous thanks! ... I wish you happiness, health, long years.



I pray for you that you be and that all the beloved American friends be healthy and happy. Thank you very much for the financial assistance that is provided only by you. You are our saviors. May God give you health, long life and may your wishes come true. With love, Tsilya K., age 88 – Ukraine (pictured above in 2010)

"In your most vivid dreams you cannot imagine how much of the elixir of life there is in your letters...like a ray of sunshine in the darkness. You have become like my own family, I await your letters as a gift from destiny." Manya K., Belarus

And as more and more of you have been compelled to help, not just once, but over and over, I realize that what we are doing is quite remarkable – Together we are writing a more hopeful final chapter to the Holocaust, one of friendship, love and kindness. Best wishes and endless thanks to all of you.

– Zane Buzby

Your continued support of the elderly Holocaust survivors in Eastern Europe literally means "life" for them. If you are new to this project, become a rescuer. Please join with us to help the last survivors of the Shoah.

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