

What We've Done in 2018, and Where We're Going in 2019

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Dear _____,

2018 was a banner year for Shaharit, as our innovative programs, ideas, and leaders reached Israelis of every background and political persuasion from Kiryat Shmona to Eilat. Read on for highlights of our 2018 work and an update about where we're going in 2019 and how you can help us get there:

Our **120 Program for Multicultural National Political**

Leadership continued to grow and expand, with more than 100 leaders now in our network. Eight network members were elected to city councils in the last elections, including the **first-ever Bedouin city councilwoman**, and work with participants is continuing leading up to the national elections, scheduled for this Fall.



Our **Local Communities Work** grew by leaps and bounds in 2018, with community organizing work, training courses for **more than 70 candidates** during the winters and spring, and our 100 Days of Common Good Conference in July, attended by more than **350 local leaders** from more than 60 cities around Israel. **36 members** of our common good network from towns including Ashdod, Ka'abiya, Rehovot, Netivot, Rahat, Haifa, Mateh Yehuda, and Nahariya were elected to city councils in the local elections.



Our **Intellectual Work** advanced in 2018, with new working groups on economics and sociology opened in partnership with the Van Leer Institute. We established new **Partnerships and Collaborations** with Na'amanei Torah va'Avodah on a Religious Zionist leadership group and with the Tor HaZahav movement, and hosted the first ever **Common Good Ecosystem Conference** with 15 organizations in attendance.



Building the Common Good in the New Year

In 2019, we will continue work to expand our footprint, develop our leaders, and cultivate the common good network, with a variety of new and upgraded programs in the works:

- Our **Senior Fellows Program** will launch in late winter, with a diverse cohort of fellows increasing our influence on the public discourse
- We will launch the next stage of our **Local Communities and Organizing Work**, reaching additional cities and dozens of rising leaders.
- Our **Religious Zionist Leadership Program** will nurture three cohorts of key community leaders committed to common good ideals, and our groundbreaking **Haredi Leadership Program**, a large-scale effort to shape the future of the community in Jerusalem and throughout Israel, reaching hundreds of

leaders and activists.

-We are putting final touches on an initiative focused on nurturing the next generation of **Local Leadership in the Arab Society**, to be led by former Hura mayor Mohammad Al-Nabari.

-As part of our efforts to expand our media footprint, we are launching a journalists' seminar for leading correspondents and editorial writers.

I'm asking you to **join our community of supporters today** and invest in a common good future for Israeli society. With your backing, we can expand our activities, reaching more Israelis than ever before. And, thanks to the backing of a generous donor, any new or increased gift to Shaharit will be automatically doubled. Please **click below to bolster Israeli society, strengthen local communities, and advance a joint vision for Israel's future.**

Best Wishes for a Fruitful 2019,

Eilon Schwartz

Founding Director, Shaharit

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