JNF Blue Box Rosh Hashanah Campaign 2015

Please give before 24 October to help children like Ana thrive in the face of hardship.

When we first met Ana, she was shy and withdrawn. At only six years of age, she looked like she was carrying the weight of the world on her shoulders. But 18 months on, Ana is a confident and bubbly little girl, filled with hope for the future. That's the sort of gift your donation could provide.

The new *Garden Classroom* at her school in Kiryat Gat has given Ana something to care about. For the first time in her life, she's experiencing the satisfaction that comes from achievement.

Four years ago, Ana and her family immigrated to Israel from war torn Ukraine.

But the transition has been tough. It took Ana's mum 13 months to find work as a night shift cleaner – and her father is still unemployed. Life at home was tense. Ana and her younger sister missed having their mother tuck them in at night, while their father was constantly moody and despondent. What's more, school felt like a chore. With minimal learning support from her parents, **Ana was disinterested and disengaged in the classroom**.

Then in 2014, Ana's school received funding for a transformative new project ***The Garden Classroom Initiative***.

It was from that point that Ana found a new lease of life.

- She saw something being built from the ground up and the incredible power of community and commitment.
- With her own area of the garden to nurture, Ana is developing a sense of responsibility and a love for the environment.
- Ana is relishing the daily opportunity to escape the sterile walls of the indoor classroom and learn in a more meaningful and stimulating environment.

These days, Ana leaves for school with a bounce in her step and a smile on her face. Her parents have taken a keen interest in her *Garden Classroom* stories – and her younger sister can't wait to share in the fun when she starts school next year. **For the first time, Ana has dreams.** She plans to become an art teacher when she's older.

Earlier this year, the Blue Box Pesach Campaign raised enough funds to implement this life changing initiative for the disadvantaged children of Sderot. The project is now underway.

But today, we need your support once again.

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The Blue Box Rosh Hashanah Campaign is dedicated to extending *The Garden Classroom Initiative* to Hameuchad Elementary School in the impoverished town of Yerucham.

At the JNF, we're putting every effort into enriching the lives of vulnerable children like Ana. It's not their fault they're disadvantaged. But intervention costs money and we have no option but to depend on loyal supporters like you.

I know you've been generous in the past – thank you very much. But now we must ask you to give again for the sake of more children who need a chance in life.

Please fill in the details of your gift and return the Reply Form to us today. You can also donate online via **www.jnf.org.au** or by calling **1300 563 563**.

We know we can rely on you.

Warm regards

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P.S. Your donation will help give over 300 children in Yerucham the social and emotional rehabilitation they so desperately need. Without our support, they will continue to underperform or drop out of school – with no drive or hope for the future.

P.P.S. Although we offer several ways to give, online donations help to reduce our costs significantly. Please visit **www.jnf.org.au** to donate now.

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