

By the grace of G-d

THE ALEPH INSTITUTE

North East Region

Projected Budget and Plan of Action
Fiscal Year 2022



**ALEPH
INSTITUTE**

No One Alone,
No One Forgotten.

Mission Statement

The Aleph Institute is a not-for profit Jewish religious, educational, humanitarian organization, serving the Jewish community. We offer a multitude of services to Jewish men and women confined and their families focused on the premise that "no Jew is forgotten" and that "no Jew is alone."

About The Aleph Institute

The Aleph Institute, a not-for-profit 501 (c) (3) religious organization, stands alone as the foremost agency in the world today, serving the spiritual needs of incarcerated Jews and their families.

A not-for-profit Jewish religious organization, Aleph provides welcome relief for Jews who have been virtually forgotten by traditional American Jewish organizations. Aleph's mission is a generally thankless one. The Institute often struggles against challenging odds to create, organize and facilitate a wealth of programs. These programs spread the wellsprings of Jewish wisdom, knowledge and understanding to all who request it, regardless of who they are or their ability to pay. Aleph has also undertaken to raising funds for these significant programs, on an ongoing basis.

In 1981, at the express direction of the Lubavticher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, of sainted and blessed memory, Rabbi Sholom Ber Lipskar set out to support a segment of the Jewish population that, for years, had suffered from gross neglect. He began Aleph as a one-man operation based in Miami, Florida. In 1991 The North East regional office opened. Today, Aleph has evolved into the nation's most trusted and

effective advocate for prisoners and their loved ones. Its programs have been implemented in dozens of regional, state and federal correctional facilities, and its staff and personnel have gained the endorsement of a skeptical prison system. In fact, America's prison officials recognize the Aleph Institute's educational and humanitarian programs. What's more, they have accorded the organization, and those who work for it, a unique level of confidence and responsibility.

The programs and services of Aleph are designed to attain maximum impact within the prison environment. These efforts have also served as the basis for programs that reach out to the prison-affiliated population. The success of Aleph's programs attests to the power of its Torah-based approach to serving prisoners, their families and humanity in general.

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Rabbi Moishe Mayir Vogel



He was born in Manchester, England to Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel Vogel of blessed memory, and received his formal education in the Jewish day schools in Manchester and then in London.

Rabbi Vogel has always lived within the Chabad - Lubavitch framework. His mentor and Rabbi is the Lubavticher Rebbe, of sainted memory. Rabbi Vogel's extensive education assumed an international flavor. After early instruction in Great Britain, he studied at the Lubavitch Yeshiva "Toras Emes" in Jerusalem, Israel and the Central Lubavitch Academy "Tomchei Temimim," in New York, where he received his ordination.

In 1984, soon after receiving his Rabbinical Ordination, he spent the high holidays leading services in the Federal Prison Camp in Allenwood, Pennsylvania. Thus began a career of working with Jewish men and women incarcerated in the federal, state and local prisons.

In 1991, he settled in Pittsburgh, PA, opening the "Aleph Institute – North East Region," and has worked with federal, state and county officials, in

providing for the religious needs of the Jewish men and women incarcerated and humanitarian needs of the inmates' families.

The Rabbi has been called upon to testify before the Pennsylvania state judiciary committee as a prison expert, has worked with Pennsylvania Senator Specter's office in the writing of Federal law affecting Jewish inmates, and has worked and continues to work with federal, state and local officials daily, on many issues.

He lives with his wife, sons, and daughters in Pittsburgh.

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Detail of Events and Programs 2022

In-Prison Programs

The pandemic brought many challenges to the way we work in prisons, with no visits, and other challenging conditions in the prisons. We now have Video and other materials to work with the inmates, which we did not have before.

Rabbinical visitation

Shabbat supplies

Jewish Hoy Day food supplies and material

Books and religious materials

Lending Library (Inter-library exchange)

Torah Studies Program

Torah Leadership Programs

National Advocacy

Emergency Hotline

Holiday Programs

Holiday Visits and supplies – families

Holiday programs at Aleph Institute – Re-entry

Shabbat supplies families delivered

Shabbat program at Aleph – re-entry

Re-entry Programs

The Pandemic released thousands of men and women to the community, unprepared and without resources. Aleph spent tremendous amounts of time and effort, especially in the first few months, assisting and counseling as the men and women adjusted to society, unprepared.

Job Placement

Rabbinical Counseling

Emergency Housing

Job Application Training

Community Integration

Support groups

Shabbat & Holiday Meals

Community Programs

Family Support Group

Emergency Representation

Ethics Courses

Public awareness informationals

Alternatives to prison sentencing

Family Counseling (inmate families)

Emergency Hotline for families

Dorothy's Friends

Hospital Visitations

Nursing Home Visitation

Group Homes

Publications

Aleph Times (for inmates)

The week in review (families & inmates)

Aleph Handbook

Aleph Update (supporters)

Holiday rules (prison chaplains)

Support Paper (for families)

Other programs

Aleph resource website for staff

Aleph resource website for Rabbis

Jewish law documents

Conferences for state chaplains

Lectures to staff re: Judaism

Volunteer support groups

Volunteer training programs

Annual Symposium

Shifra Program

Project Shifra is a program at the Aleph Institute which provides support to women, children, and families facing a wide variety of hardships. We work to strengthen our community by connecting individuals to resources for managing stress, the household, legal aid, finances, abuse, mental health, and other common everyday issues. The following are some of the challenges we can help you navigate.

Food

- Holiday food distribution
- Community food pantries

Housing

- Mortgage and rent relief
- Utility assistance
- Home maintenance

Employment

- Career counseling
- Resume and cover-letter writing
- Interview practice

Financial Assistance

- Grants and loans
- Government benefits

Physical and Mental Health

- Access to healthcare
- Counseling and therapy
- Substance abuse

Children and Family Services

- Parenting challenges and family relationships
- Activities and programs

Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence

- Mental, verbal, and physical abuse
 - Planning for safety and healing
- Emergency Hotline

The Shifra Program, throughout the pandemic, was a life saver for many families. It provided food, both weekly and for holidays, to help families as they struggled to navigate these unsure times.

Projected Budget 2022

A. Planned expenditures:	\$507,144
B. Income from program fees:	\$114,000
C: Income from foundations/funds:	\$ 164,000
C: Expenses over income:	\$229,144
D. Fundraising goal:	\$240,000

Projected Detailed Budget 2022 Fiscal Year

Office Expenses \$18,163

Travel expenses (conferences etc.)	\$1,788
Design and Printing of fundraising materials	\$3,000
Mailing and Miscellaneous	\$3,375

Facilities \$26,262

Utilities	\$7,800
Computers and accessories (Maint.)	\$1,500
Phone lines (included wireless, long distance)	\$5,382

Personnel \$277,000

Salary (2 full time, 6 part time)	\$160,000
Benefits	\$ 17,240
Rabbis across PA	\$100,000

Ongoing Programs \$23,466

Rabbinical visitation (Gas and Tolls)	\$12,000
Shabbat programs (grape juice and matzo)	\$ 2,300
Books and religious materials	\$ 3,200
Torah Studies (courses)	\$ 2,850
Torah Leadership programs	\$ 560
National Advocacy	\$ 650
Family counseling (emergency exp.)	\$ 340

Holiday Program \$53,978

Rosh Hashanah (books, apples honey)	\$4,875
Sukkot (lulav & Etrog) 30x(22+12) (shipping)	\$1,020
Chanukah (menorah, candles, driedels & visits)	\$1,780
Purim (books, visits, food)	\$ 620
Pesach (books, food and visits)	\$32,800
Shevuot (books and visits, motor home)?	\$2,800
Three weeks mourning (books)	\$ 83

Other Programs \$105,075

Alternatives to imprisonment also seems very little	\$ 340
Emergency representation	\$ 85
Ethics lectures	\$ 150
Aleph House (partially funded JFAF)	\$2,200
Rabbinical reference/lending library	\$1,800
Synagogue/Temple speaking (Ethics Courses)	\$ 500
Shifra Program (DHS)	\$100,000

Misc. Expenses \$3,200

Car	3,200
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Projected Income 2022

A. Program fees (contracts with the various prisons & hosp.)	\$114,000
C. Support UJF, foundations, DHS and UPMC	\$ 164,000
D. Private donations	\$240,000
E. Total Income	\$418,000

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Summary Chart for Fund-raising Goal 2022

Fund-raising goal: \$240,000.00 - Donor share: 2,400 x 100 = \$240,000

Number of Donors	Number of Shares	Dollar Value	Total Value	Cumulative Value
1 Executive Partner	13	\$31,000	\$31,000	\$31,000
1 Gold Partner	6	\$14,400	\$14,400	\$45,400
2 Silver Partners	4	\$9,600	\$19,200	\$64,600
2 Executive Ass.	3	\$7,200	\$14,400	\$79,000
6 Gold Associates	2	\$4,800	\$28,800	\$107,800
15 Silver Associates	1.5	\$3,600	\$54,000	\$161,800
30 Sponsors	1	\$2,400	\$72,000	\$233,800
Misc. Donors		Other amounts	\$6,200	\$244,000

Thank you for your generous contribution. Your contribution is tax deductible.



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