

WHY WE ARE WORRIED
ABOUT THE SURVIVORS THIS WINTER



Many survivors will face the brutal winter this year in desperation, worse off than last year.

Why? Because prices for heating fuel have risen 60% due to the political unrest and upheaval in Ukraine, and prices for food and medication have risen 50% in many Eastern European countries due to unstable economies and inflation.

And although it may cost only \$50-80 per month to heat a dwelling, more than reasonable by our standards, they just cannot afford it. They must choose everyday between food, heat, and medication.

Unless we make it a priority to help them.

THE SURVIVOR MITZVAH PROJECT remains the only organization in the world offering these Holocaust survivors direct and continuous financial aid, and we've been able to do it only because you have consistently taken a stance to support them. As difficult as times are for us, the scenarios these survivors confront on a daily basis are simply unimaginable.

Where does your money go?

Directly into the hands of an elderly survivor in need.

Your donation goes to work immediately. The SMP delivers your financial aid quickly and directly to these survivors. Whether by check, wire, or hand delivered in person, when we hear of an urgent need, we are able to dispatch funds to people right away.

Because of you, impoverished survivors can live in warmth and good health. Your donations also provide for special needs: eye surgeries, heart surgeries, diabetic supplies, eyeglasses, food, home care, and whatever else is needed. Though considered essential healthcare basics in America, for most of these survivors they are luxuries.



From childhood on, survivors have only known lives of extreme hardship and horrendous situations most of us today could not imagine. But as they continue to confront life's endless challenges, they reveal the majesty of the human spirit.

In Ukraine, I was visiting an 88-year-old woman, so poor and ill it was incredible that she was still alive. I delivered your dollars to her. She stopped me on my way out. "I have one wish", she said. I thought she was going to ask me for something special to be sent from America. But her wish was something completely different. She said, "I pray to G-d that someday things will be different and I will have the opportunity to come to your country and help you."

They are the last generation of Holocaust survivors and we are the last generation who can help them.

History will remember what we do, how we respond now to these struggling survivors. Now 75 years after the start of the War there are thousands of Jewish men and women who survived the Holocaust who have yet to be helped. They are elderly and alone, waiting for someone to reach out to them.



I am pledging to double my efforts to help more survivors this year.

Will you do the same? **Because in order to ensure these survivors won't be forgotten this winter we need to act now and act together.**

**This month, make a special donation to provide heating fuel for the survivors.
Any amount you can give will be life-saving.**

**You can honor your friends and family by making a donation in their name to
THE SURVIVOR MITZVAH PROJECT.**

They will receive a certificate telling them about the project and the survivor your donation is helping.

**And please earmark your 2014 charitable contributions
to help Holocaust survivors.**

**THE SURVIVOR MITZVAH PROJECT is a 501c3 non-profit organization.
All donations are tax deductible.**

Donate online at: www.survivormitzvah.org

Or send a check to:

The Survivor Mitzvah Project
2658 Griffith Park Blvd., Ste. #299
Los Angeles, CA 90039

- With great appreciation for your kindness and compassion,

Zane Buzby

See where your dollars are going! Watch your donations in action:

<http://www.survivormitzvah.org/humanitarian-efforts/>