

Now More than Ever, the Difference is You!

Our December campaign of eblasts, videos and survivors' stories reached thousands of compassionate and concerned people all over the world. You answered our *Call to Action* with Kindness and Generosity. We met our goal and raised \$225,000 in one month!

You made it possible for **The Survivor Mitzvah Project** to send over 1500 life-saving stipends to Holocaust survivors like Rakhil Aizikovna in Ukraine, who suffers from breast cancer and the untreated side effects of radiation and chemotherapy.

Rakhil, born in 1924, also cares for her only living relative, a nephew who is also ill. Theirs is a daily struggle for food and proper medications. She writes.

"My father and mother were good Jews with high ideals. They helped poor people and gave good advice. May the earth lie on them as lightly as feathers! During the Great Patriotic War, our relatives were shot at Babi Yar in Kiev, along with their families....

I have wonderful memories. My mama prepared for the holiday of Purim by baking lekach [honey cake], poppy seed cookies, hamantashen and strudel. I try to continue to observe the holidays. I spend my time at home as I had a difficult operation - cancer of the breast. Thank you very much for your attention and care for us...



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Our only happiness is when we receive letters from you. We don't have anybody else."



Our kind and compassionate donors make it possible for us to continue our work, ensuring that the last generation of Holocaust survivors do not suffer, but live their remaining years with comfort, care, dignity and hope.

On March 30<sup>th</sup> our work will be recognized by the Anti-Defamation League as Zane Buzby, founder of The Survivor Mitzvah Project, accepts the Anti-Defamation League's 2017 Deborah Award.

Since 1913, the **Anti-Defamation League** has been dedicated to combating anti-Semitism and all forms of bigotry, defending democratic ideals and protecting civil rights for all.

Each year, the ADL honors
outstanding women whose
professional leadership,
philanthropy, and civic contributions
exemplify the ideals of the
Anti-Defamation League.



The **Deborah Award** is named for the Biblical Deborah, who is noted for her courage, wisdom and leadership.



"Every donation you make represents a victory for compassion, empathy, kindness and tolerance. I am honored to accept the Deborah Award on behalf of all of you who have responded to our mission with such enduring and vigorous support. Now more than ever, Holocaust survivors in Eastern Europe need our help."

- Zane Buzby

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