

December 1, 2016 – 1 Kislev, 5777

Dear Friend,

We are so blessed to have you as part of our community!

I'm writing before the end of 2016, when you are perhaps considering end-of-year contributions. By donating a generous year-end gift to Chabad of Oxnard, you become a vital partner in our many outreach activities.

Chabad of Oxnard, now entering its fourteenth year, continues to provide a wide array of educational and social services for the local community. Our outreach programs and activities bring the joy of Judaism to hundreds of people regardless of their background, affiliation or economic status.

Thank G-d, a lot has been accomplished over the past thirteen years, and we owe much of that to your generous support! Here are some of our highlights over the years and the programs we continue to administer with your help:

*Children's Hebrew School ▪ Women's Circle ▪ Smile On Seniors Program, providing food and home/hospital visits ▪ Adult Education ▪ Judaic Lending Library ▪ Camp Gan Israel, offering scholarships to ensure that no child is turned away ▪ Mezuzah Service ▪ Navy and Police Chaplaincy ▪ Crisis Intervention ▪ Food and Clothing for the Needy ▪ Shabbat and Holiday Services ▪ Community Shabbat Dinners ▪ Community Holiday Events ▪ Lamplighters Jewish Academy, the only Jewish day school serving Ventura County and the Conejo Valley*

As we enter our 14<sup>th</sup> year, we look forward to expanding all these programs and having an even greater impact on our community. There is still much that needs to be done!

While economic times have thank G-d improved, finances are still tight for many individuals and families we serve in our community. **This means that Chabad of Oxnard needs your help now more than ever!** All contributions stay within our community to put on our local programs and deliver services to those in

need. We depend entirely on charitable contributions from individuals like you to cover our budget!

**Direct contributions to Chabad of Oxnard are the only financial support we get!** By policy every Chabad Center is self-sustaining. We do not get any financial support from local or regional headquarters. Every dollar raised is directly invested in servicing OUR local community.

I turn to you, my dear friends and community, for help at this time. Please consider a year-end gift of any amount to help offset the deficit in our budget. **Please do the best you can for us so that we can continue to bring more Jewish pride to the area and to help others.**

With your support, Chabad of Oxnard will commemorate the upcoming holiday of Chanukah by spreading light, joy and inspiration throughout the area. Our lively programs will bring the warmth and joy of the holiday to hundreds of people, young and old.

May the New Year bring much light coupled with G-d's abundant blessings to you and your family! Thank you for the gift of your friendship.

Shalom!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dov Muchnik', written in a cursive style.

Rabbi Dov Muchnik

*Director*

*PS: Please consider becoming a partner in our work and signing up for a monthly contribution of any size. As a partner you will be making a statement that you are ready to take on the responsibility to sustain dynamic Jewish life here in our community!*

*Please note: All contributions are tax-deductible, and if received before Dec. 31 can be deducted from your taxes for this calendar year. Chabad of Oxnard accepts cash, credit cards, checks, stock transfers, as well as donations of autos, boats and real estate. Chabad of Oxnard is a 501(c)3 charity and all contributions are tax deductible. Your donation really counts. Please contribute today.*