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Ref:Emergency Relief and Community Recovery Request for Venezuela

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Vaad Hakehilot of Caracas, we would like to express our sincere gratitude for your prompt outreach and your willingness to support our community following the devastating earthquake that struck Venezuela.

Our institutions have mobilized immediately to respond to this emergency. At this time, approximately 400 members of our community are being sheltered and assisted in our emergency shelters and community support centers. In addition, we estimate that at least another 200 community members may have sought temporary refuge with relatives or friends rather than at our emergency shelters. Many of these families may require humanitarian and financial assistance as damage assessments continue and their individual circumstances become clearer.

Many families remain understandably reluctant to return to their homes, reinforcing the need to maintain emergency shelters and provide ongoing humanitarian assistance until the situation stabilizes.

The following represents our preliminary emergency needs assessment, prepared approximately six hours after the earthquake. These figures are preliminary estimates and will be refined as additional information becomes available.

Preliminary Needs

Item	Estimated Cost (USD)
Sleeping mats, cots, blankets, sheets, pillows and towels	\$75,000
Basic clothing (T-shirts, underwear, socks and children's clothing)	\$75,000
Kosher food, bottled water and emergency meals	\$200,000
Hygiene kits, diapers, sanitation supplies and first aid materials	\$100,000
Shelter operations, transportation and emergency logistics	\$150,000
Temporary housing assistance for displaced families	\$200,000



Item	Estimated Cost (USD)
Emergency Family Recovery Fund – Essential home repairs and habitability assistance for affected families	\$1,000,000
Emergency standby generator, automatic transfer switch, installation and commissioning for the Union Israelita de Caracas	\$250,000
Total Preliminary Estimated Requirement	US\$2,050,000

Your support will provide immediate relief to affected families while strengthening our capacity to respond to the ongoing emergency and the recovery efforts that will follow.

On behalf of the Vaad Hakehilot of Caracas and the entire Jewish community of Venezuela, we thank you for your friendship, solidarity, and consideration during this difficult time.

With sincere appreciation and a heartfelt Shalom,

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