



A public announcement about the submission of applications for a grant for foreigners staying in Israel under the non-refoulement policy who were evacuated from localities following the “Swords of Iron” war.

A public announcement for the submission of applications for a grant for foreigners staying in Israel under the non-refoulement policy, Ukrainian citizens, and asylum-seekers, who lived in localities evacuated following the “Swords of Iron” war.

Following the surprise attack against Israel on the morning of October 7, 2023, which led to the evacuation of localities, a committee was set up which decided to award a grant to the foreign population protected by the non-refoulement policy and to the population of asylum seekers who were forced to move due to the decisions taken on the evacuation of residents living in localities that had been evacuated, if the conditions specified in this announcement are met.

Only people who, at the outbreak of the war, had lived for at least 3 consecutive months in the eligible localities, as defined in Government Decisions No. 950 of October 12, 2023, No. 975 of October 18, 2023, No. 988 of October 23, 2023, assistance to the population in the localities for which the Government Decisions have been taken, are entitled to apply. The list of eligible localities is detailed below.

It has therefore been decided to publish a public announcement for applications for grants, provided that a certain number of cumulative conditions are met:

1. The applicant entered Israel before March 30, 2023 and resides in Israel continuously up to the publication of the Public Announcement.
2. On October 7, 2023, the applicant was in Israel as a result of the policy that applies to the Ukrainian population, as a result of the non-refoulement policy that applies to foreigners from Eritrea and Sudan as well as to minors and their nuclear families originating from the Democratic Republic of Congo and/or the applicant has applied for political asylum no later than June 30, 2023 and as of the date of publication of this announcement, his application for political asylum is still under consideration or his application for political asylum has been approved.
3. At the outbreak of the war, he lived for at least 3 consecutive months in one of the eligible localities as defined above that were evacuated by government decision, and was forced to relocate to another locality due to the outbreak of the “Swords of Iron” war. The following documents, attesting to residence for at least 3 consecutive months prior to the outbreak of war in one of the eligible localities, must be attached to the application: statements proving the payment of property tax, electricity, water, gas, a certificate of residence from the local secretariat, an official schooling certificate from the Ministry of Education/local secretariat proving that the applicant's children were enrolled in an official local educational institution. In addition, the applicant must provide pay slips for the months of July-September.
Applicants must enclose any certificates they have to prove their place of residence. Please note that applications submitted missing at least one of the documents required in this section, will not be accepted.
4. Holds a valid residence permit.

The minimum amount that will be checked will be approximately 3 million NIS, with a grant ceiling of 9,000 NIS per beneficiary. It should be noted that the grant for a minor will equal half that for an adult.

Notwithstanding the above, and to the extent that there appears to be an exceptional need for a supplementary budget, the matter will be examined, based on the relevant factors.

It should be noted that the submission of applications to examine the possibility of obtaining a grant will be available to the public during 60 days from the date of publication of the public announcement. After this date, it will no longer be possible to submit such applications.

Addendum:

A “qualifying locality” is one of the following localities:

Qualifying localities – South District:

1. **Sha'ar HaNegev Regional Council** – Nahal Oz, Erez, Nir Am, Mefalsim, Kfar Aza, Gavim, Or Ha’Ner, Bror Chayil, Dorot, Yachini, Ivim.
2. **Hof Ashkelon Regional Council** – Netiv Ha’Assara, Zikim, Yad Mordechai, Karmia, Gvaram, Mavkiim.
3. **Eshkol Regional Council** – Kerem Shalom, Kissufim, Holit, Sufa, Nirim, Nir Oz, Ein Hashlosha, Nir Yitzchak, Beerli, Magen, Reim, Yated, Shlomit, Neve, Sde Avraham, Mivtachim, Yesha, Ami Oz, Pri Gan, Talmei Yossef, Ein Habsor, Yevoul, Avshalom, Dekel, Tzohar, Ohad, Talmei Elyahou, Sde Nitzan, Bne Netzarim.
4. **Sdot Negev Regional Council** – Saad, Alumim, Shokeda, Shuva, Kfar Maimon, Tushiya, Tkuma, Zimrat.
5. **Sderot**

Qualifying localities – North District:

1. **Upper Galilee Regional Council** – Misgav Am, Manara, Malkia, Maayan Baruch, Yiftach, Dafna, Baram, Yareon, Kfar Giladi, Snir, Tzivon, Dan, Hagoshrim, Sassa.
2. **Mevo'ot HaHermon Regional Council** – Margalioth, Kfar Yuval, Dishon, Shear Yashuv, Beit Hillel, Ramot Naftali.
3. **Mateh Asher Regional Council** – Rosh Hanikra, Hanita, Betzet, Edmit, Arab el Aramshe, Eilon, Liman, Metzuba.
4. **Ma'ale Yosef Regional Council** – Zarit, Shtula, Shomera, Yeara, Matat, Netoua, Even Menachem, Avirim, Granot, Goren, Avdon, Alkoush.
5. **Merom HaGalil Regional Council** – Avivim, Baram, Dovev, Alma, Kerem ben Zimra, Ryhania.
6. **Metula Local Council**
7. **Shlomi Local Council**
8. **Rhadjar Local Council**
9. **Kiryat Shmone**
10. **Fassuta Local Council**
11. **Hurfeish Local Council**