

Q1. What is Chedvata?

Chedvata is the first Haredi Hesder Program, founded by Haredim in 2017 that consists of three key components:

- **Torah Study:** Chedvata students learn Torah in the morning;
- **Academic Education:** Afternoons are spent pursuing a degree from Ashkelon College in fields such as computer programming, cybersecurity/warfare, or electrical engineering, with additional degree options being added annually.
- **Military Service:** After earning their degrees, students join a Haredi unit in the IDF.

Currently, there are over 300 students enrolled in Chedvata.

Q2. Why is Chedvata attracting so many Haredi youth?

Since the start of the war, thousands of Haredi boys, outraged by the atrocities of Oct 7th, have wanted to join Chedvata's program, but were unable to do so due to a lack of funding. Many choose Chedvata because of its high spiritual standards enabling them to keep to their religious standards. Also, word got out that Chedvata has created a strong tight community, with festive Shabbatons, live music, and other informal programming.

Creating a joyous community for our students has been a top priority since our inception and is the reason the founders of this program chose the name Chedvata, which means "Joy" in Aramaic.



Q3. How come haven't I heard about Chedvata before?

Until now Chedvata was funded exclusively by the Israeli government. While the government still supports the program, we need much greater funding, to accommodate the high demand of more students, build more buildings for classrooms and for housing and to provide tuition scholarships for the many Haredim who want to join Chedvata.



Chedvata strengthens Israel economically, militarily and socially, by increasing unity within Israeli society.

Bottom line: Chedvata provides all the spiritual, social and material needs of our students in Torah learning, job training and for our soldiers who are fighting on the front lines for Israel.



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Consider how your ONE contribution to Chedvata, achieves THREE vital goals for the State of Israel and the Jewish People:

1. **Supporting Israeli soldiers** - Chedvata provides all the material and social support for our soldiers who put their lives on the line fighting for Israel and the Jewish people.

2. **Providing tuition scholarships** - that enable hundreds of Haredim to obtain jobs, which, as the Rambam has noted, is the highest level of tzedakah - empowering them with greater self-esteem and financial independence.

3. **Chedvata promotes Unity in Israel.** Having more Haredim join both the workforce, and the army in greater numbers, will help heal the rift that's been dividing our nation.

Today, the most divisive issue in Israeli preventing Achdut (unity), is the Haredim not serving in the army. and it could worsen, as Israel's population becomes increasingly Haredi. In fact, there are already close to 1.5 million Haredim in Israel and due to their high fertility rate of over six children per family on average, Haredim will soon comprise 25% of all Jewish Israelis under the age of 35.



Chedvata is the #1 solution to this problem as the non-Haredi public see more Haredim join the workforce and the army, and Haredim who serve in the army gain a greater appreciation for the State of Israel as well.

> By increasing the number of Haredim in both the workforce and the army, Chedvata strengthens Israel in every way- economically, militarily and socially.

> Only with your help can Chedvata expand our program from its current 300 hundred student recruits to thousands.

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Betzalel Zvi Kovach z"l, Age 20. Chedvata soldier wounded in battle in Gaza, died four days later on May 26th 2024, pictured with Rav Shimon Hartman.



Achdut - Unity is the Key to Victory & Success

