

# JEWISHAGGIES

Appreciation Report  
Fall 2018 Edition



Rohr Jewish Student Center



**WE KNOW WE CHANGE THE  
WORLD BECAUSE OF YOU**

SEE THE WARMTH AND DEPTH  
YOU PROVIDED FOR JEWISH  
AGGIES THIS YEAR





**YOU ARE CREATING LEADERS  
WHO WILL CHANGE THE WORLD**

## HOW TIKKUN OLAM IS MORE THAN A SLOGAN



**College is really tough, I see so many friends struggling with stress and anxiety.** G-d has blessed me with a mother who is a psychologist. Throughout life she has given me skills to battle negative thoughts, take hold of anxiety and heal when hurt. That's why I want to be a psychologist, to listen to people and help with their battles.

Tikkun Olam which translates as "repair the world" is a concept in Judaism that means doing all in our power to return the world to a holy state as it was and will be.

I first heard of this concept from my father, a scientist and visionary. He had been speaking of Tikkun Olam and his plans for the future. My father always inspired me with his genius thoughts and creative ambitions to help make our world a better place.

Tikkun Olam has stuck with me and is something I remind myself of daily. I know that the world is broken, but I am an optimist and believe in change. I believe in healing, growth and shattering mental health stigmas. I want to go above and beyond to leave an impact on this world, I want to make this world a better place.

I wanted to spread this message. I kept asking myself how. How do we get rid of evil in this world? How do we heal people's sickness? How do we diminish behaviors that lead to unfulfilled lives and tortured minds? How do we eliminate racial, cultural, religious, socio-economic biases? How do we increase productivity? Lower suicide rates? Homelessness? Divorce?

**My answer is education.** Educate people. Give them skills, give them tools of reflection, forgiveness and understanding. Imagine the impact this could have.

The way we can spread the idea of Tikkun Olam is ONLY through Jewish education.

**Chabad is the biggest source of Jewish education in Aggieland.** Chabad IS education! They create so many opportunities for learning through their Sinai Scholars, Dessert & Discussion, Yeshiva night and more. Those classes start the dialogue of what is important and how students like me can grow and reflect on what is meaningful. How we need to continue building ourselves and improving so we can excel and lead a life of Tikkun Olam.

I knew doing good was important. I knew I had a calling and goodness in me but I didn't know how it reflected our Jewish values. I learned about the neshoma, my Jewish soul, my potential and that EVERYONE can take part in Tikkun Olam.

Chabad helped me organize my thoughts and find that deep inner voice. I learned about myself, the Torah, Jewish mysticism and how I fit in. Chabad is a guiding light on how to share your own light and truly change the world.

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**Bailey Abithol**



**Shayna Rabin**

**JEWISH  
AGGIE  
BABIES**

**Your Nachas Continues**

**מזל טוב**





THE JEWISH FUTURE IS  
BRIGHT

Dear Yossi and Manya,  
Without Chabad, without Sinai Scholars, and most importantly you, I would never have found the love of my life! Our happiness is just one of the many gifts you have given me, along with instilling Jewish values, helping to make my soul more complete. We hope that with the check included, you can pass these values and opportunities on to many more students and keep doing what you do!

Love,  
David & Sydney



# HAPPILY EVER AFTER - STORIES YOU MAKE HAPPEN

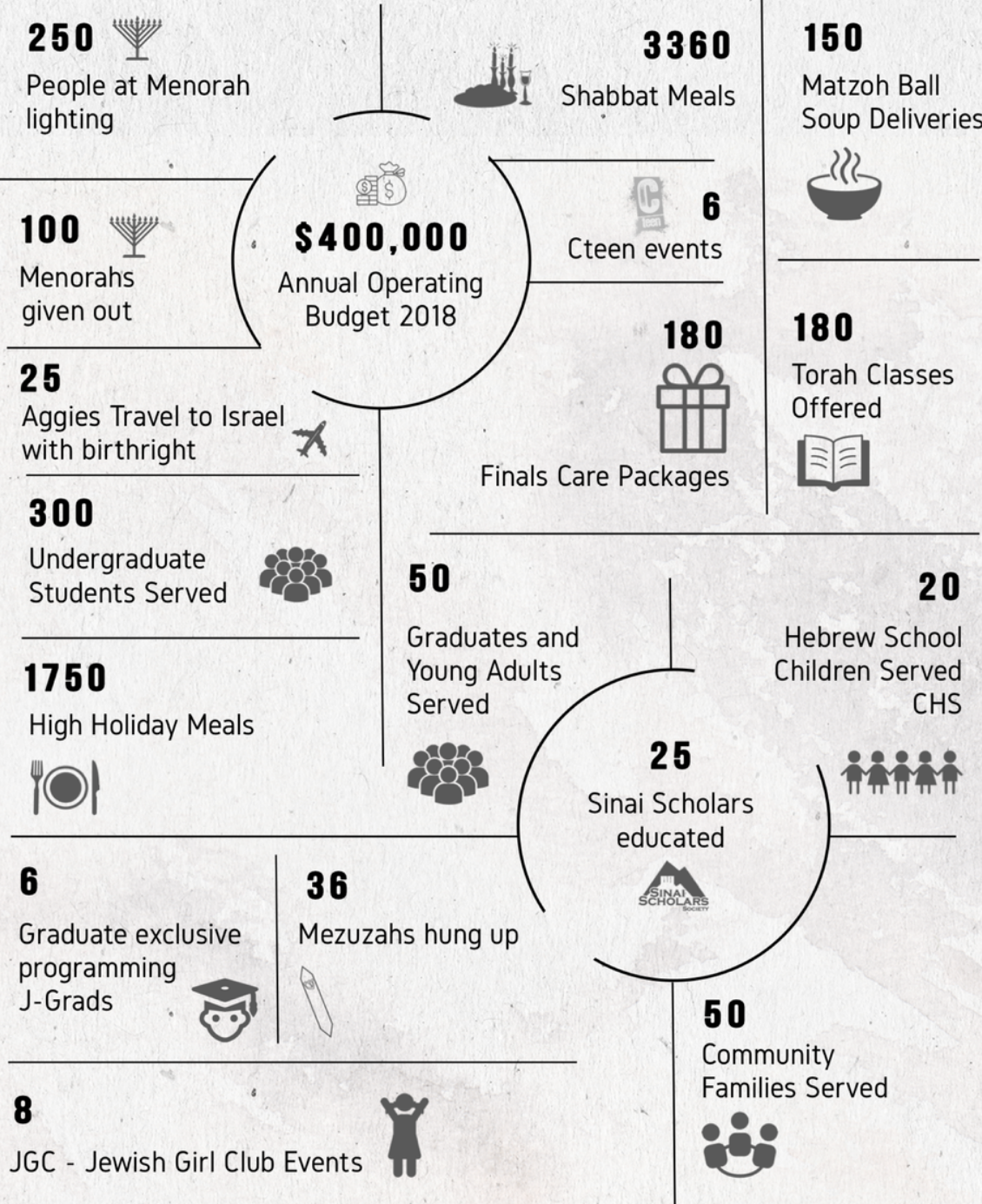
*Thanks to YOU, Jewish Aggies like **David & Sydney** and **Alec & Ellen** can find guidance, support and warmth to set up strong Jewish homes.*



Chabad was our home away from home. Without them, we would not be the people we are. For four years we came and took. We ate, met to discuss life challenges with Rabbi & Manya, and ate some more. Now that we can, we want to donate and pay it forward. We can make sure that current Aggies can come to Chabad for a hot bowl of soup, midnight breakfast and good advice  
- Alec & Ellen Becker



# YOUR IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS



## YES! Jewish Aggies can count on me!

- ☐ I will Sponsor a Shabbat Table \$180
- ☐ I will Co-Sponsor a Shabbat \$500
- ☐ I will Sponsor the ENTIRE Shabbat \$1,000
- ☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Everything is appreciated.)



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