



MyZuzah Moments - December 23, 2022

Earlier this month, the **Institute for Southern Jewish Life** shared our outreach efforts in their December newsletter, which we hope will spark some interest among community organizations in **Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia, South Carolina, and northern Florida**. We've also been making contact with Federations, Synagogues, and other entities throughout the region, as we look for partners to join our efforts.

Partner Updates:

The Jewish Association of the Philippines in **Manila, Philippines**, connected us with Tushinka (Rivka Bathsheva Bat Avraham) Tan, who lives almost a thousand miles away from Manila in Davao City. She shared her experience with her photo:

Our Rabbi at the Beit Yaacov Synagogue informed us about this wonderful organization MyZuzah. B'H, we were accommodated by MyZuzah team swiftly and with ease.

With much excitement and the desire to put up the mezuzah in time for Chanukah, I placed it just before lighting our candles on Sunday. We feel more vibrant now that the mezuzah is up and we are more grateful that we have fulfilled the mitzvah of having a mezuzah in our door post.

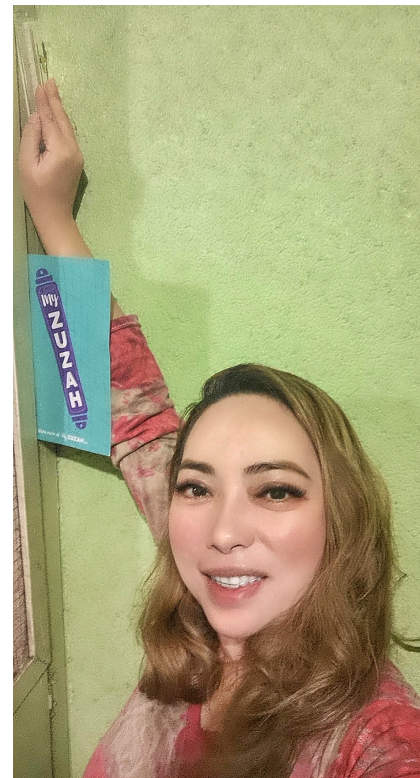
Todah Rabah, MyZuzah! B'ezrat Hashem, may everything go well with the organization and that may more Jews around the globe receive the blessings MyZuzah shares. ♥



Making a "Jewish-And" Home

Learning about and engaging in Jewish ritual together is a great way to discuss how elements of religion can enhance your interfaith home. MyZuzah is a program that provides individuals and organizations with access to high-quality kosher and fair-trade mezuzah scrolls, along with educational and engagement resources.

Thanks to a generous grant, MyZuzah is able to offer Jewish organizations in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina, and North Florida mezuzot at no cost for use in their educational, outreach, and engagement programs. One free mezuzah may be given to eligible Jewish households, in accordance with the program goals of participating organizations. Inquiries should be sent to MyZuzah's Program Director, Alex Shapero (Alex@MyZuzah.org).



In **Coney Island, NY**, the Mitzvah Corps has been going around putting up mezuzahs and lighting chanukah candles for the Russian-speaking residents. They helped Olga perform two mitzvahs!



Emma Dunn, of St. Paul, MN, received her mezuzah from the team at Heritage Judaica. We have received a number of donated mezuzah cases in the past month, and are pleased to try and re-home each case by mailing them to Heritage Judaica.

Individual Stories:

We heard about it from one of the Jewish WhatsApp groups in Florida. Finally it feels like a home. Thank you so much! Matt Shay, **Ft. Lauderdale, FL**

*I love it! I get to connect with Judaism every time I walk through the door. It makes my home feel like a *Jewish* home. When I've had a long, hard day, there's something comforting about seeing it on the doorpost, like it's welcoming me in. Because it was sent by MyZuzah, it's also a reminder of the kindness and generosity of this community <3* Danny Lebbert, **Burnaby, BC, Canada**

