



MyZuzah Moments - January 6, 2023

Last night, MyZuzah was informed by the **National Center for Encouraging Judaism** that we will be granted **\$10,000 towards our work helping new converts to Judaism** set up their homes and build their Jewish lives! This involves formalizing and building out a program we have been testing, and we are excited to collaborate with NCEJ to provide a warmer welcome to Jews by choice across North America. More news to come!

Partner Updates:

Before mailing mezuzahs to individuals, we routinely check to see if there may be a local partner or new organization who could help further engage our recipient once their mezuzah goes up. This week, we connected with the team at the **Bronfman Center**, the home of **NYU Hillel**, and received this note back:

Thanks so much for reaching out. Caroline is a highly involved student at Bronfman-- she was excited to tell me about MyZuzah and is eagerly awaiting her new mezuzah to be able to mark this new part of her Jewish identity.

Our Program Associate, Aggie Grossman, connected with a community leader in **Offenbach, Germany**, near Frankfurt, where they are looking to better serve their 500 mainly Russian-speaking families. They talked through program options and we look forward to sending **several hundred mezuzot** to them this spring to help bring their community together.

In **Maryland**, Rabbi Belinsky of the **Ariel Center** helped two Russian-speaking extended families place mezuzot on their home. Irina Osipova and Valery Osipov were very happy and appreciative:



Individual Stories:

*I just Converted to Judaism and needed a Mezuzah to place on my door. Much Thanks to MyZuzah for providing one for FREE to me! Amanda Cary, **Livingston, NJ***



Matt Walzer, from **Plymouth, MN**, received his 3D printed mezuzah case made from recycled plastic bottles from our friends at **Tikkun HaYam**. He called our Virtual Dedication program a “great experience—educational, easy, and friendly!,” and plans to work with us through his job as a Synagogue director!

*My ex told me about MyZuzah before we broke up, so I decided to look this up after we broke up and she took her mezuzah with her. I was excited to put something that tangibly connects me with the rest of the Jewish population— it makes me happy! Uria Levy, **London, UK***

*I feel like people know that I have a Jewish home now that I have a mezuzah up. Rochelle Senges, **Naples, FL***



*It was a lovely and easy experience. I especially loved having the bracha card to guide me through the process. Brett Boren, **Washington, DC***