

YOUR FIRST STEPS IN BET SHEMESH

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עיריית בית שמש



**BET SHEMESH
MUNICIPALITY**

Aliyah and Absorption
Department



**Personal guidance for your Aliyah journey,
before you arrive and after you call
Bet Shemesh home.**



Moving to a new country and choosing the right place for your family is a big decision. The Bet Shemesh Municipal Aliyah and Absorption Department is here to help make that journey easier, clearer and more personal.



Our professional team of Project Coordinators speak several languages and have extensive experience in Aliyah and Absorption process.

Our English-speaking team includes three Project Coordinators, every Oleh is connected with their personal Project Coordinator who becomes their point of contact throughout the Aliyah and absorption process.

2 PREPARING FOR YOUR NEW HOME

As your Aliyah approaches, your Project Coordinator can help you navigate important practical steps.



EDUCATION

We guide you through the registration process for your children in local educational institutions.



SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

If you have a child with special educational needs, we can assist with transferring the relevant documentation and preparing for the Eligibility and Characterization Committee (vaada).

3 WELCOME TO BET SHEMESH



Upon your arrival you will be welcomed by a personal "Welcome to Bet Shemesh" email packed with essential explanations and guidance for your first steps in Israel.



1 BEFORE YOU MAKE ALIYAH

You don't have to wait until you arrive in Israel to get started.

During the pre-Aliyah period, your Project Coordinator can speak with you by phone or video call and help you get to know Bet Shemesh before making your decision.

During your meeting, you can ask about the things that matter most to you and your family:



Neighborhoods and their different characteristics



Finding the neighborhood that best fits your family



Schools and preschools



Hebrew ulpan programs



Employment and career opportunities



Higher education and professional studies



Municipal and community services



Any other questions you may have about life in Bet Shemesh



Our goal is simple: to give you the information and personal guidance you need to make the right choices for your family.



Coming for a pilot trip? You can come meet us in person.

4 BECOME PART OF THE COMMUNITY



As Olim and new residents of Bet Shemesh, you can take part in a variety of activities organized by the Municipal Aliyah and Absorption Department, together with local communities and community centers throughout the city.



There are programs and activities for all ages, providing opportunities to meet people, build connections and become part of your new community.

Whether you are just beginning to explore Aliyah or are already preparing for your move, your Bet Shemesh journey can start today.



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