



EMPOWERING YOUNG PEOPLE  
LEAVING THE HAREDI WORLD  
TO INTEGRATE INTO GREATER  
ISRAELI SOCIETY

Out for  Change



REALIZE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL

# The Need

**Approximately 1,300 individuals choose to leave Haredi (ultra-Orthodox) society each year in Israel.**

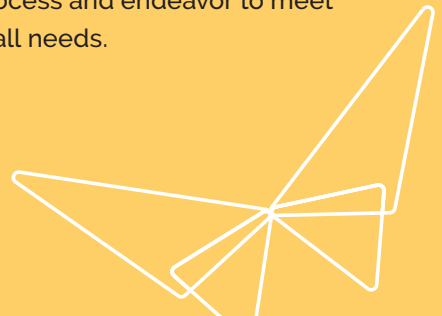
Due to the fact that Haredi society tends to be insular and unsupportive of those who choose to leave the fold, those who make the choice to leave are often cut off from their families and traditional support systems as they navigate an unfamiliar world.

Providing these young people with a sense of community and support, while also helping them bridge significant social, cultural and educational gaps, enables them to become independent and contributing members of society, and to realize their full potential.

# Who We Are

**Out for Change was founded in 2013 by a group of former Haredim**

who were driven by their personal experiences to help others who have chosen a similar path and by the belief in the incredible potential that former Haredim have to contribute to Israeli society. We work to advocate for policy change, equal opportunities and program development on the macro level, as well as to provide community support, cultural and educational programming, legal assistance, and individual counseling on the community/micro level. Using a holistic approach, we offer assistance to anyone who asks for help, at any stage of the process and endeavor to meet any and all needs.





What We Do

# Advocacy & Program Development



**Advocate** for policy change and equal opportunities, working with key decision makers to ensure that former Haredim are accorded the rights to which they are entitled



**Develop** programs and services in conjunction with government and academic institutions, as well as the IDF, geared to meet the needs of former Haredim



## What We Do

# Community, Guidance & Counseling



**Provide** individual counseling, guidance and courses in the areas of higher education, military service, employment, life skills and legal advice



**Create** community that provides former Haredim with a sense of belonging and support, and serves as a greenhouse for grassroots initiatives and leadership

Per year:

**2,000**

**PARTICIPANTS IN  
EVENTS, COURSES  
AND WORKSHOPS**

**700**

**RECEIVE  
INDIVIDUAL  
GUIDANCE**

**150**

**COMMUNITY  
EVENTS**

**40**

**COURSES AND  
WORKSHOPS**

What We Do

# Research & Awareness



**Research** the phenomenon of former Haredim and invest in a body of research that will enable the creation of data-based programs and policy



**Raise awareness** among members of the media and the public about this unique sector, and change the narrative from one of challenge to one of potential



10%

OF HAREDIM  
LEAVE THE FOLD



# Major Achievements



## **Inauguration of two community and guidance centers in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv**

- \* 500 visitors per month
- \* A full schedule of social and cultural events, courses and workshops
- \* Comprehensive counseling and guidance services for individuals

## **Military and National Service**

- \* Revision of IDF procedures for new recruits and approval of fully-funded vocational studies during service
- \* National Service program designed for former Haredim

## **Higher Education**

- \* Equal rights for all graduates of the Haredi educational system
- \* Eligibility for scholarships and academic tutoring
- \* Inauguration of pre-academic programs designed for former Haredim

**First in-depth qualitative research** on the phenomenon of former Haredim

**Establishment of legal aid project** helping former Haredi parents in family court, preventing parental alienation



# Join Us!

## WE HAVE A DREAM.

We dream of a society in which each and every former Haredi has clear rights, access to guidance in matters of military service, higher education and employment, programs to help them bridge social and educational gaps, personal support, a strong and warm community, legal aid, psychological assistance and a world full of opportunities to allow them to reach their full potential.

We need partners to help us make our dreams come true, to dream together with us. We need you!

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MY LIGHT IS NOT UNEARNED, THOUGH  
IT HAS NOT COME TO ME FROM MY  
FATHER AS AN INHERITANCE; RATHER,  
IT HAS BEEN HOLLOVED OUT OF  
STONE AND QUARRY AND HEWN  
FROM MY HEART.”

**Chaim Nachman Bialik**  
National Poet of Israel  
Graduate of Volozhin Yeshiva, 1902