Get Ready to



# THE NINE DAYS SHABBOS BOX Packing Project





## SOMEONE'S GOING TO BE THRILLED TO GET YOUR BOX!

#### Dear Friend,

There's a certain thrill in opening a box that lands at your door. To rip the tape, lift the flaps, examine the contents – it's a wonderous experience. And if the item in the box is *exactly* what you need, and if you feel that the person who sent the box *truly* cares about you, the joy is still greater.

This booklet is about such a box: the Chesed 24/7 Shabbos Box that's delivered each Friday to hundreds of patients in the hospital. It's filled with essentials - electric candles, grape juice, a Kiddush cup and more - that bring the spirit of Shabbos into cold, sterile hospital rooms. You'll read more about the box in the coming pages.

But really, this booklet is about you - and the role you play not only in being the caring person who sends this much-needed package, but also in providing a complete support system that takes much of the anguish out of a hospital stay, on Shabbos and every day.

You play this role when you participate in a Shabbos Box Packing event – live, online or through the mail.

At a live event, you'll pack <u>the actual boxes</u> we send to the hospital. Online and by mail, you'll do it virtually. No matter how you participate, your involvement will support Chesed 24/7's hospitality rooms, meal deliveries, and other services that are a lifeline to so many.

Patients and their families tell us this:

"The Chesed Room is my private oasis in the hospital."

"I couldn't look at my hospital tray. If not for the meals you sent, I would've starved."

"My mother's eyes lit up when she saw the Shabbos Box. The tablecloth, "candles" and other things brought Shabbos into her room.

Chesed 24/7 operates 21 Chesed hospitality rooms. Chances are, if you know someone who's been in a major NY or NJ hospital, you know someone who's been touched by Chesed 24/7.

#### This is your chance to be part of their support system - and to win great prizes!

We personally invite you to join us in a Shabbos Box Packing Event – in your bungalow colony, on your street, or online at Chesed247.org. You can win great prizes. But most of all, you'll become our partner in bringing food, comfort and Shabbos joy to *cholei* Yisroel.

Get ready to Start Packing!

Sincerely, Chary Greenberg



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# I5,000 PATIENTS IN THE HOSPITAL ARE WAITING FOR **YOU** TO PACK THE BOXES THAT BRING THEM JOY EACH SHABBOS.





SHABBOS BOX Packing Event

THE NINE DAYS

### where you'll:





in your neighborhood, bungalow colony, or online. BUILD AND FILL BOXES

Assemble the actual boxes delivered to patients each week. Donate \$36 per box. ENTER TO WIN Fantastic Prizes!

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Plus enter the OUT-OF-A-BOX CONTEST See page 15

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# To be in the hospital is TO FEEL BOXED IN AND LONELY

And pricked and prodded and taped up all over. The food tastes like cardboard and the air is stale and sterile just like the inside of a box. And Shabbos? It doesn't feel like Shabbos.

# BUT CHESED 24/7 CHANGES EVERYTHING....

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# ON SHABBOS ....



Candles

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Kiddush cup

**>** 200m

Challah cover

Flowers

KEDEM

Grape juice

## LITTLE BOX With a BIG HEART



Besomim

Tablecloth



חסד דשיכון סקווירא

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# AND EVERYDAY ....

24 hours a day. Seven days a week. Chesed 24/7 is Constantly Caring. With meals that nourish. Care that comforts. Rooms that become a home away from home. A never-ending round of chesed, chesed, chesed.



## **CHESED HOSPITALITY ROOMS**

Hospitals aren't big on hospitality. But Chesed 24/7 fills the void, with 21 hospitality rooms that become "home" to patients and their loved ones in the hospital. Meals and magazines, snacks and *sefarim*, coffee and couches – if there's something a person in the hospital could need, it's in the Chesed 24/7 room. Chesed 24/7 operates rooms in major hospitals in New York City, Upstate New York and New Jersey – and serves an astounding 100,000 meals each year, reaching many thousands of patients!





## **BEDSIDE MEALS**

It's one of the ironies of life.

People who are unwell need nourishing meals – but the food they get in the hospital is unappealing and inadequate. Hospital food jokes aside, what's there to like about semi-defrosted scrambled eggs, day-old rolls, and overcooked string beans? Chesed 24/7 fills the void, by sending complete suppers and Shabbos meals to patients – and their caregivers! **Amazingly, we were able to get food to patients in some hospitals even during the COVID-19 crisis!** 



## AND SO MUCH MORE.

From patient advocacy to rides to the hospital, electronic lending libraries to medical equipment – Chesed 24/7 gives patients everything they could possibly need, and more. Pomegranate juice for cancer patients? Check. Mothers' milk for preemies? Check. And so much more. Chesed 24/7 isn't bound by typical boundaries. Because where there are people that care, there's everything. And Chesed 24/7 is Constantly Caring.







# Join the Movement PACKABOX

### "I'M GOING TO A BOX PACKING EVENT BECAUSE:

Being in the hospital with coronavirus on Pesach was worse than my worst nightmare. Don't ask me how, but somehow Chesed 24/7 sent Kosher L'Pesach food, and a Shabbos Box on Erev Shabbos and Yom Tov. It was my link to normalcy. **Now I'm giving back."** 

I visit people in the hospital, and always know I can go to the Chesed 24/7 hospitality room and get hot soup, a Danish, or something else to tempt a patient. On Fridays, I see the Shabbos boxes.

I want to be part of this."

My sister has cancer. I'm with her a lot on Shabbos, and can tell you that when we open that box and set the little wheeled table near her bed, we both feel the atmosphere change. I'll never forget our joy when we opened a box one week and found a little note from a woman who had packed the box at a party last summer. I want to personally reach out to patients like my sister."

## IT'S FUN. IT'S EASY. IT'S YOUR WAY TO SHOW YOU CARE.

# **ONE COMFORT**

#### A Coronavirus Story

"So how is it to be home?" Tzivi asked. From her perch on the recliner, her mother looked around the room and nodded slowly. Then this rock of a woman; the formidable principal who'd not so long ago silenced 600 rowdy teenagers with the sheer force of her glare, drew her breath in, shut her eyes tight and wept and wept.

Twenty one days in the hospital. She'd gone in with coronavirus before Pesach, and come out three weeks later looking like she'd been through a war. It would take days for her story to emerge.

"I was so alone," she said one day, and she grasped Tzivi's hand as if she'd never let go. "When I called for a nurse, it took nine hours for someone to come. Nine hours! I was helpless! I couldn't do a thing for myself!" And Tzivi could only

imagine what it meant for her independent, go-getter mother to be at the mercy of nurses who never showed up. When she brought lunch, her mother started to cry again.

They brought me a treife tray, and the next day it was kosher chometz. A challah roll, on Pesach!

Delivery to Mount Sinai

"Remember how Bobby used to talk about how hungry she was in the ghetto? I never understood her, but now I do. The hunger was terrible. It was in a way worse than anything else I was going through – and I was going through a lot. I craved food so badly, it took over my whole being. It was terrible." Another day, she spoke about Pesach.

"For three days, all I had was the Chesed 24/7 bag that the Hatzalah member put on my stretcher." She described the simple white bag that had sustained her in a world gone haywire.

"It had matzah, grape juice, a water bottle, and some snacks. That's all I had. For three days. I couldn't eat anything from the hospital tray. One day they brought me a *treife* tray, and the next day it was kosher *chometz*. A challah roll, on Pesach! But I had the matzah from the bag. It was my only *taam* of Yom Tov." And then one day, she said, things suddenly got better.

"I started getting a bag every day. There was real *heimishe* food – a meal, a sandwich, a Danish – and a magazine. Do you know what it meant to me to get something to read? You know me. I can't eat breakfast without a newspaper. And all this time, I had been reading labels out of sheer boredom. I read the label on the grape juice bottle from the bag I got in the ambulance, and the information on every shopping bag that came to me. It was all from the same place.

#### Chesed 24/7."

Chesed 24/7 was a lifeline to patients and their families during the COVID-19 pandemic. Calling on long-standing relationships with hospitals, we were able to achieve the impossible. Our volunteers stocked ambulances with patient care packages, our drivers delivered food to hospitals, our patient liaisons helped families get patient information - and much more. When the restrictions were lifted, we stocked our hospitality rooms, so that the sick and their family members could get much needed substance and comfort. Today, a significant number of our 21 rooms are open again, dispensing food and essentials 24/7.

### PRIZES



**2 Tickets to Israel** + \$1000 spending money

Allegra Jewelers \$3000 to spend

Mansion Getaway 18 bedrooms + 54 guests = one great weekend

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### ENTER TO WIN! GIVE MORE, GET MORE

\$36	I ENTRY: I BOX		
\$54	2 ENTRIES		
\$72	3 ENTRIES		
\$100	5 ENTRIES		
\$150	8 ENTRIES (2 IN EACH PRIZE) + FREE GIFT		
\$250	I2 ENTRIES (3 IN EACH PRIZE) + FREE GIFT		
\$500	<b>40 ENTRIES (IO IN EACH PRIZE) + FREE GIFT</b> SPONSOR A DAY IN THE HOSPITAL		



Any orders received after the date of auction will be considered a donation. The winner of some prizes shall be responsible for the payment of all applicable Federal, State and local taxes. No purchase or donation necessary to enter or win. A purchase or donation will not increase your chances of winning. Photos are for illustrative purposes only. Some gift certificates may expire 6 months after date of drawing, Restrictions may apply.



WHAT CAN YOU CREATE OUT OF A CARDBOARD BOX?

Contest

Make it **BIG**, Make it small Build a CAR, a *flouse*, a ball Give it class or make it *FUNAY* Be real NEAT or maybe **SPUNKY** By yourself or with a team Be you six, sixty, sixteen Wear your shoes, your sneaks, your crocs Just build it from a **CARDBOARD BOX**.





Send photos of your creations to contest@chesed247.org. We'll choose one individual winner and one team winner (bungalow colony, bunk, street, etc. with six or more builders.)



**EVERYONE WINS!** 



All entrants will be entered to win a Nostalgia carnival package – snow cone maker, popcorn popper & cotton candy machine.

SUBMISSIONS DEADLINE: AUGUST 2, 2020

### ORDER FORM

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		JNT:	SELECT YOUR TICKETS: Write the number of entries for each prize.
DONATE	ENTRIES	FREE GIFT	
\$36	1 ENTRY: 1 BOX		ISRAEL JEWELRY GETAWAY WIG
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\$72	3 ENTRIES		Address City, State, Zip Phone
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\$150	8 ENTRIES (2 IN EACH PRIZE)	~	Donation Amount \$ email Checks can be made payable to Chesed 24/7 Hostess/Team Member: Early Bird Order by July 21
\$250	12 ENTRIES (3 IN EACH PRIZE)	~	
\$500	40 ENTRIES* (10 IN EACH PRIZE)	~	DEDICATION:
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## Have a **Good Shabbos!**





Chesed 24/7 operates 21 Chesed Hospitality Rooms, and provides many services to patients and their families. To inquire about our services, please call 845.354.3233.

#### **SERVICES:**

#### **Chesed Hospitality Rooms**

Meals

**Hospital Shuttles** 

Boost in a Bottle Pomegranate Program

#### Chesed Hospitality Apartments

Shabbos in a Box

Medicine Chest

**P**Respite and Visitation

**Smile 24/7** 

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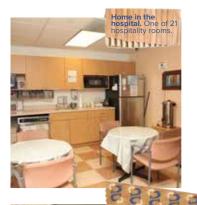
Hospital Liaisons

🛝 Mount Sinai Hospital

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- 🖕 Columbia Presbyterian Babies & Children 📕
- 7 (CHoNY)
- Lenox Hill Hospital
- Cornell Medical Center
- Memorial Sloan Kettering
- 🔣 Hospital For Special Surgery
- Montefiore Einstein Medical Center
- Northern Westchester Hospital
- Calvary Hospital
- Hackensack University Medical Center
- Nyack Hospital ER



























Shabbos Box Packing Party 2019

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