



LEADERS OF THE FUTURE

developing Israeli-Ethiopian leadership



About LEADERS OF THE FUTURE

Who we are, our vision & mission



Dedicated educators, philanthropists, and community activists striving to see the Ethiopian community fully integrated into Israeli society, thriving academically and economically.

On a mission to develop a generation of Israeli-Ethiopian role models by supporting academic excellence and leadership programs.



Founded by Jonathan David in 2011 after discovering the beautiful and closely-knit Israeli-Ethiopian community who are mostly living below the poverty line and struggling to survive economically and integrate.

Over the past decade, Leaders of the Future has developed a well thought out and tested winning-formula that places great emphasis on empowerment and academic excellence. Our programs are focused on developing self-confident, well rounded youth who have been empowered with education and leadership skills.



OUR PROGRAMS

year-round comprehensive programs that
make an impact!

YOUTH PROGRAM

The youth program is dedicated to serving Israeli-Ethiopian youth from 5th to 12th grade. Candidates who are highly motivated and have significant potential are selected and enrolled into the eight year, demanding extracurricular program which provides transportation, meals, mentors and high quality instruction focused on academic excellence and leadership.

ADMAS HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

The higher education program serves Israeli-Ethiopian students and provides them with the continued support needed to successfully graduate with a university degree. Candidates who are in need of financial assistance, have high academic potential, and have completed meaningful Military or National Service are selected and enrolled into the program. The program provides qualified recipients with preparatory programs, scholarships, empowerment programming, consultations, mentoring, and preparation for the job market.

WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The women's leadership program promotes and supports Israeli-Ethiopian women's leadership at the national and International levels. The main focus is on developing resilience and supporting success through a variety of activities and real-world opportunities for personal and professional development.



WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

high levels of community involvement has established Leaders of the Future a well-known and trusted organization



DEDICATED TEAM

our educated and experienced team are committed to the cause. They act as role models who help strengthen student motivation and support success.



STRONG SUPPORT SYSTEM

we offer a family style support system that's always available, providing assistance through every challenge. Maintaining support throughout youth, military service, higher education, and deployment into the workforce.



LONG-STANDING PARTNERSHIPS

our strong partnerships with reputable universities and organizations help provide better opportunities for our participants and the Ethiopian community



FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

our program consists of high levels of family involvement which strengthens student and parent commitment levels and bonds

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Community involvement efforts are led with the purpose of advancing the Israeli-Ethiopian community through activities that support the development of leadership and activism in order to promote positive change for the community, both socially and economically. Community involvement efforts include educational events, leadership development, and community support through the establishment of leadership groups within municipalities that have a large Ethiopian community.



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Ongoing training is provided to help develop local community leadership. Topics include, but are not limited to leadership skills, rights and duties of residents and citizens, active involvement in the education system, correct use of communication tools and social networks, community representation in the Knesset and local council, etc.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Established leadership groups are tasked with handling and providing support for issues relevant to the community. Issues include, but are not limited to positive Integration into the education system, urban planning, addressing daily needs of the community, bridging between the local community and other communities, organizing events, reducing racism, recruiting participants for the youth and other supportive programs.



EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Events are provided to help educate the local community with job search and career advancement, entrepreneurship, immigration and absorption, mortgages and grants, racial injustices and discrimination, the importance of education and promotion of higher education.

A group of Israeli-Ethiopian youth are walking along a tree-lined path, heading towards a white van. The youth are seen from behind, many wearing backpacks. The scene is set outdoors with lush green trees and foliage on the left, and a paved road on the right. The overall atmosphere is bright and hopeful.

THE YOUTH PROGRAM

**A DEMANDING EXTRACURRICULAR EXCELLENCE PROGRAM
SERVING ISRAELI-ETHIOPIAN YOUTH**

Since 2011



The Youth Program framework fosters greater self-esteem and success through a unique combination of program components

ACADEMIA

quality instruction in Mathematics and English at the Technion. The atmosphere cultivated breaks psychological barriers created by low self-esteem.

ENRICHMENT

quality instruction in a variety of topics that focus on proactive engagement and facilitating the development of essential foundations

FAMILY & HERITAGE

events and activities that immerse participants in Jewish Ethiopian culture and build stronger bonds with family in order to build increased self-esteem. *includes a roots trip to Ethiopia

FOLLOW-UP & EVALUATION

a strong support system and consistent evaluation process that ensures program and student success.

A TRANSFORMATIONAL JOURNEY TO ETHIOPIA

As participants approach the end of eleventh grade, they are taken on a 12 day educational trip to Ethiopia where they are given the opportunity to connect with and immerse themselves in their culture and heritage. Students and supervisors travel throughout Ethiopia and learn about the history of Ethiopian Jews and their migration to Israel. During the trip they are able to visit the villages where their family once lived, interact with those who knew their family and/or reconnect with family who remain in Ethiopia.

Participants are transformed by the memorable and touching interactions, breathtaking sights, and rural culture of an underdeveloped country. They begin to see their lives and themselves differently, they understand on a deeper level the meaning and significance of the Ethiopian migration to Israel. The trip proves to strengthen their Jewish identity and relationship to Israel and the Jewish people. As a result, our students display a more coherent sense of identity, increased self-esteem and an enhanced self-image.





ADMAS HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

DEDICATED TO SERVING ISRAELI-ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS AND PROVIDING
THEM WITH THE SUPPORT NECESSARY TO SUCCESSFULLY GRADUATE
WITH A UNIVERSITY DEGREE

Since 2015



In Amharic, the official language of Ethiopia, “Admas or “አድማስ” means horizon. Our Admas Program empowers students to achieve far more than they have imagined!

Candidates who are in need of financial assistance, have high academic potential, and have completed meaningful Military or National Service are selected and enrolled into the program.

Program participants receive:



PREPARATORY
PROGRAMS
(IF NEEDED)



SCHOLARSHIPS



CONSULTATIONS &
MENTORING



PREPARATION FOR
THE JOB MARKET

WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

DEDICATED TO SERVING ISRAELI-ETHIOPIAN WOMEN AND SUPPORTING
THEM IN BECOMING MORE RESILIENT AND SUCCESSFUL

Since 2022



The Women's Leadership Program aims at developing women leaders who excel at public speaking and debate, have excellent interpersonal and networking skills, coupled with a deep sense of self-awareness and mindfulness. Participants gain the necessary skills, knowledge, and real world experience which will support them in advancing professionally in the public arena on a national and international level.

Program participants are comprised of Israeli-Ethiopian women who have obtained a degree in Higher Education, those in the process of completing their degrees, and social activists. The program provides a variety of workshops that will help them develop personally and professionally. During the course of the program, participants will also have the opportunity to apply what they've learned in a real-world setting.

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- COACHING
- DEBATE & PUBLIC SPEAKING
- MINDFULNESS
- CAREER COUNSELING
- ENRICHMENT



PRODUCING IMPRESSIVE YOUNG LEADERS WITH A BRIGHT FUTURE

Leaders of the Future's Youth Program, now over a decade of operation has expanded its reach over the years and has experienced marked success, with 100% matriculation rate and a 100% rate of conscription into the IDF and National Service (including officers, as well as soldiers in elite units such as Intelligence Corps Unit 8200 and the Paratroopers). In addition, the majority of those who have already completed military service are on their path to higher education.

The Admas Higher Education Program, founded in 2015, has also made great advancements and has been supporting an increased number of students across more than 5 different universities including the Technion, Ben Gurion, Hebrew and Tel Aviv University.

Over the year, Leaders of the Future has maintained a strong presence throughout the Israeli-Ethiopian community in Israel and is known as a credible organization with the community's best interest at heart.

A group of young Black women are smiling and posing for a photo outdoors. The woman on the far left is wearing a blue shirt and has her eyes closed in a joyful expression. The woman next to her is wearing a light-colored shirt and is looking towards the camera. The woman in the center has curly hair and is wearing a patterned shirt, holding a book or folder. The woman on the far right is wearing a white shirt and has long braids, smiling broadly. The background shows other people and a bright, sunny outdoor setting.

A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PARTICIPANTS

and future leaders



HODAYA TASMA

YOUTH PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

I would strongly recommend joining the program because beyond the help in achieving academic aspirations and success, the program provides an attentive ear, support and help in every area, a second family and a place to meet friends for life.



OFEK EIVARKAN

YOUTH PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

Thanks to the program, I was able to get amazing scores in math, scores I never thought I could achieve! I even went up a rank and was transferred to an advanced math class.



ADI KIBERTI

YOUTH PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

The program helped expand my perspective of the future, and helped me recognize that I can achieve anything I aspire to if I put forth the effort.

The most important thing we gained from the LOF youth program is the understanding and belief that we don't have to just "dream" of being in academia, we can be and do, surpassing what we imagine.

I would need several pages to tell you about all the transformational experiences and skills I have gained during my five years with the LOF youth program, so I will briefly tell you that both academically and personally I have undergone an end-to-end transformation!



ASMARA TAGANIA
YOUTH PROGRAM GRADUATE
+ ADMAS PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

Leaders of the Future accompanied me, supported me throughout the years, and taught me a lot about identity and belief in yourself. This year, I volunteer in the Pre-Academic Center at the Technion as a tutor for math and physics. In addition, I am also tutoring a LOF youth program participant.

Thanks to Leaders of the future, I don't have to worry as much about my finances and I have more time to devote to my studies. The Leaders of the Future Admas Program contribution was for me, the light at the end of the tunnel, which allowed me to overcome the difficulties I had and for that I'm grateful!



MAKONNEN BALTA
ADMAS PROGRAM PARTICIPANT



LEARN MORE

GET INVOLVED



We're looking for visionary partners and donors who share our belief in providing equal opportunity to Israeli-Ethiopian youth and thereby promoting a more just and unified Israeli society. With your help our programs can continue to expand throughout Israel, contact us today and make a difference.

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