

I recently had the distinct pleasure of meeting the board of Lema'an Achai and other staff members. It was a memorable and substantive meeting at two levels:

- a) The range of this wonderful organization encompasses a host of activities designed to assist the recipients in multitudinous ways; psychological, medical-dental, economic bolstering of families providing them with clear direction in their lives, and social-emotional guidance for healthy, wholesome growth and interaction with others. Preeminently, moneys are designed and channeled to educate, train and retrain others to be productive and self-sustaining in a variety of professional endeavours. According to the Rambam and other poskim, this epitomizes the highest level of Tzedakah.
- b) Most impressive to me was the personal warmth, dedication and commitment of Lema'an Achai to achieving the aforementioned goals. Their handiwork is implemented with modesty, without fanfare and performed in a way to maintain and enhance the personal dignity and self esteem of all their clients. They are apolitical in their approach and are guided by halachik authorities and ethical guidelines. I was moved by their sensitivity to the sensibilities of all their clients.

It's unquestionably a great mitzvah to generously support this outstanding chesed organization and may Hashem grant them much success in all their endeavors.

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