





# Welcome to The community centers branches of Qiryat Bialik

## About The City of Qiryat Bialik

### Qiryat Bialik is a city in the Haifa District of Israel.

Founded on **18.07.1934** as a neighborhood close to Haifa, the neighborhood was established by the immigrants of the fifth aliyah from Germany and its first name was "Neighborhood of German Immigrants."

A group among the immigrants who aspired to engage in agriculture founded a nearby village.

When the poet Haim Nachman Bialik passed away, it was decided to name the two nearby settlements, Qiryat Bialik and Kfar Bialik, after him.

In 1950 Qiryat Bialik was recognized as a local council, and  $\underline{in\ 1976}\ as\ a\ city.$  The number of inhabitants today

# **Qiryat Bialik Community Centers**

The Kiryat Bialik Community Center, managed by the Qiryat Bialik Matnasim Network, operates as a non-profit organization for the benefit of the city's residents, from early childhood to senior citizens. The network operates 7 community centers throughout the city, each of which offers a wide range of programs and activities tailored to the unique needs of the area's residents.

# Qiryat Bialik Matnasim Community Centers Branch

- Multipurpose Branch: Daphna 56
- Eshkol Pais Branch: Daphna 52
- Neot Afek Branch: Naomi Shemer 19
- Ofraim Branch: Haganah 12
- Dan Branch: Dan 2
- Rakafot Branch: Lotus 6
- Tzor Shalom & Bait LeGdol Tov Branch: Lohamei HaGetaot

# Qiryat Bialik Community Center:

# **Everyone is Welcome!**

### Inclusive Programs:

- **Special Needs:** A variety of classes and activities are offered for people with special needs, ranging from ages 5 to 20+.
- Lesure Club for Retirees: A wide variety of classes are available for retirees (Third Age).
- Special Interest Groups:
  - **Ofarim Community Center:** This unique club caters to former USSR veterans and operates in the mornings. It offers various classes and serves as a leisure center for retirees.
  - **Dan Community Center:** This leisure center for retirees operates in the mornings and offers a variety of classes.
- Volunteer Opportunities: The Qiryat Bialik Community Center offers volunteer opportunities for retirees to give back to the community.
  - **Zahav in Kindergarten:** Retired volunteers teach children in kindergartens about road safety.
  - Intergenerational Classes: Retired volunteers conduct classes specifically for other retirees.
- **Coffee on Tuesdays:** This program at the Tzur Shalom Community Center features lectures in Russian, specifically designed for expatriates from the USSR.

### Additional Services:

• Two Day Care Centers: (Parpar) and (Tevim) - These centers accept children from 3 months to 3 years old.

#### Enriching Classes:

- Theater, Science, Culture, Art, Languages: The center offers a wide range of classes in various fields, catering to diverse interests and age groups.
- **Gymnastics:** The community center fosters a strong gymnastics program, including folk sports, acrobatics, apparatus gymnastics, and artistic gymnastics. Talented participants even represent the city in competitions.

### **Unique Clubs:**

• **Men's Club "Just Us Men":** This unique club at the Harkafot Community Center provides a dedicated space for men, offering a variety of workshops and activities tailored to their interests.

### **Special Projects:**

- **Bar/Bat Mitzvah Celebrations:** The center organizes special Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremonies for children from the Ethiopian community, immersing them in the customs and traditions of this coming-of-age milestone.
- "Keys" Project: This subsidized program provides affordable classes for children from the Ethiopian community, ensuring equal access to educational and enrichment opportunities.

#### **International Connections:**

• **Global Outreach:** The Qiryat Bialik Matnasim Network has established strong international ties with the Jewish community in Poltava, Ukraine, as well as with various communities across the United States. These connections foster cultural exchange and promote understanding between diverse populations.

#### **Additional Services:**

• The center offers a variety of additional services to meet the needs of the community, such as summer camps, after-school programs, and special events.

Overall, the Kiryat Bialik Community Center serves as a vibrant hub for the community, offering a diverse range of programs, activities, and services that cater to all ages and interests.

# **Our Mission**

Connecting Communities, Fostering Harmony, and Cultivating Diverse Interests

## **Our Mission:**

Dedicated to enriching the lives of its residents by fostering meaningful connections, promoting environmental harmony, and nurturing a vibrant atmosphere

by providing professional services in the areas of education, community, recreation, senior citizens, Special needs, culture, and cultural events.