



Dear Supporter of Sderot,

In response to your recent donation through Connections Israel, I join with the people of Sderot in saying Todah, thank you, for your generosity.

Sderot, a city on the northwest corner of the Negev, bordering the former Gush Katif, has been under terrorist missile attack for over seven years. Since the expulsion of the Jewish communities from Gush Katif, the missile attacks have increased, both in intensity and frequency. These attacks have sent the members of the 10,000 families into shelters and panic. It has made life unbearable to the point that most children were sent to summer camps miles away from the region, some traveling to Europe, the United States and Canada. The region has taken a tremendous economic hit. With residents spending less time in town, the local business has slowed to a trickle and those residents still in town find it both physically and emotionally difficult to leave their homes and shelters.

The show of Jewish solidarity from around the world warms our hearts and strengthens us in our daily struggles.

Your personal letters and Holiday gift baskets donated for the families of Sderot are greatly appreciated and will no doubt strengthen our Jewish connection and solidarity.

I join with all of the families here in Sderot and the organization, Connections Israel, in wishing you a prosperous and safe Shana Tova.

Yours sincerely,

Eli Moyal  
Sderot Mayor