

WIZO, a global Zionist women's movement founded on the values of volunteerism, drives excellence in education and innovative social action for the benefit of Israeli society, while addressing the changing needs of the individual at all stages of life.

Founded in 1920 by Zionist women at a time when women lacked representation in the Zionist institutions, the organization has since laid the foundations for education, social welfare and health care services in Israel. WIZO today continues to work toward closing the gaps in Israeli society, supporting the well-being of toddlers, children, teenagers and older adults, advancing the status of women, and strengthening the connection between world Jewry and Israel.

Today, WIZO operates on 2 main levels:

Leading Social Change

- Promoting policy and legislation
- Leading social movements
- Changing reality on the ground



Providing Services

- Early childhood education and strengthening families
- Education of teenagers
- Advancing the status of women
- Strengthening populations at risk or in crisis
- Caring for older adults

25,000 Babies and Children in good hands



170

Day care centers serving 12,000 children per year



29

Afterschool programs



4

Pedagogical centers for early childhood education instruction



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"Parents Voice" free advice line for parents of preschool children



18

Comprehensive centers for children at risk



2

Centers for parental instruction and support



1

Temporary foster facility for at-risk babies and children



Building a future for 5900 young women and youth



5

Youth villages consisting of high schools, boarding schools and agricultural farms



3

Emergency centers for the urgent care of high-risk children



10

Foster family homes



1

Boarding school for post-hospitalization



2

Schools for vocational training and special education



2

Beit Tzipora afterschool learning centers for children of Ethiopian descent



2

Centers for severely at-risk girls



2

Safe homes for the treatment and rehabilitation of at-risk girls





16 Programs for women experiencing life crises



Promoting legislation for women's rights



8 Supportive communities for women post-shelter: Safety Net



30 Offices for legal assistance



2 Shelters for women and children victims of domestic violence



2 Centers for the prevention and treatment of domestic violence



1 Program for the prevention of abusive relationships among youth



Programs for the workplace

Hotline for women's rights in the workplace | 03-6923825
Hotline for Men in the cycle of violence | 1-800-393904
Hotline for Women in abusive relationships | *3980



Residential Home for senior citizens in the heart of Tel Aviv





40 Branches
across Israel



Hundreds of programs
for children, young
girls and
women



48 Bigudiyot – Israel's
largest secondhand
thrift store
chain



Thousands of
volunteers



WIZO engages **TENS OF THOUSANDS**
of volunteers in **38** federations around the world



38

Federations
around the
world

40

Branches in
Israel

6000

Employees

8

Schools and
youth villages

170

Day care
centers

48

Thrift stores

2

Domestic
violence shelters

30

Legal aid
offices

16

Women's
programs

1

Parents home



WIZO In the UN



In 1959, WIZO was recognized by the United Nations as an NGO, and became the first Zionist organization to be granted consultative status with ECOSOC (Economic Social Commission of United Nations).

This ECOSOC status grants WIZO the right to lobby, deliver expertise, and participate in “side events” on subjects WIZO endorses: universal human rights, status of women, gender equality, sustainability, democratic education and more.

WIZO currently has representatives to the UN in Vienna, Geneva and New York and is active on the NGO committees on the Status of Women, Sustainable Development and Aging.



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