Yeshivas Lubavitch Cincinnati

Building Jewish Leaders

Studies / Prayers
Community Outreach

Dedicated to the Rebbe’s work, the Yeshiva’s focus is on “raising” our bochurim to become true chassidishe talmidim.

Preparing the world for Moshiach through acts of goodness and kindness.

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Rabbi Gershon Avtzon, Rosh Yeshiva
A Tradition of Excellence

Yeshivas Lubavitch Cincinnati was founded in 2006, based on the teachings of the Leader of the International Chabad Movement, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson.

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This is the motto of Yeshivas Lubavitch Cincinnati, which was founded by Dean and Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Gershon Avtzon, in Elul 5766 (September 2006). An instant success, the Yeshiva now attracts applications from across the United States, Europe and Israel. Rabbi Avtzon lectures on a full array of topics and, together with his dynamic teaching staff, provides a comprehensive curriculum of Talmud, Jewish Law and Jewish Philosophy.

In addition to their regular studies, the boys’ curriculum includes regular community service, giving back to the local Jewish populace throughout the year.

Lubavitch means “City of Brotherly Love” and it is the name of the town in Russia where our movement started. It is also what lies at the very core of the Chabad-Lubavitch philosophy. We don’t just say the words ”love your fellow”; we put them into action by training our students to give of themselves in the service of others.

At Yeshivas Lubavitch Cincinnati, we believe that giving our students this grounding in communal work during their formative years is what inspires many of our graduates to become “Shluchim”—Rabbinical Emissaries—across the globe, in small and large communities, spreading goodness, kindness and the knowledge of Torah, helping to prepare the world for Moshiach.

Preparing Tomorrow’s Leaders

Our unique history, the ethos we embrace and the goals to which we aspire.

Eight years ago, I dreamed of being part of a yeshiva where the students were cared for, taught how to love and to cherish learning. These students would be inspired by the Rebbe’s call to add in our goodness and kindness, to make the world ready to greet Moshiach. That’s when I partnered with Rabbi Eliyahu Simpson and together we moved to Cincinnati to open Yeshivas Lubavitch High School of Cincinnati with the help of Rabbi Shalom Ber Kalmanson.

We have since tripled in size, much of that due to the untiring efforts of our dedicated team, Rabbi Zalman Baras, Rabbi Eliyahu Morrison, and Rabbi Levi Fuss. We also have our graduate staff of alumni who have remained with us to reinvest their own energies into the Yeshiva, in recognition of all they received during their tenure. These guys were so happy here, they simply wouldn’t leave—so we made them part of our team!

Rabbi Gershon Avtzon
A Bright Future

Sam and Rachel Boymel help Yeshivas Lubavitch Cincinnati expand its horizons with the founding of the Boymel Rabbinical College.

The Boymels are among the most recognized names in Jewish philanthropy. Sam and Rachel have been a big part of our growth, acknowledging our work with their ongoing support over the years. They recently purchased a new building which will allow us to offer graduate-level studies for our current alumni. Sam acts, and he does his homework first, supporting those institutions that show stability and growth—organizations that are here to stay. The purchase of the new building increases the Yeshiva’s assets by more than a quarter of a million dollars and secures our expansion into 2014 and beyond.

“Since opening the Yeshiva eight years ago, our alumni students have excelled in their studies and the Yeshiva High School has gained international acclaim. Now, with the founding of Boymel Rabbinical College, our graduates will be able to stay here, benefiting from, and contributing to, the Cincinnati community.”

Rabbi Gershon Avtzon, Founder and Rosh Yeshiva

Making It Happen

What we need to keep Going and the practical ways you can partner with us.

With the help of many donors, most notably our President, Rabbi Moshe Toron, we have acquired our current premises and dormitory, which we now own. Over the last two years, we have been blessed with our newest partners, Sam and Rachel Boymel. Through them, we have secured the building that will house the future Boymel Rabbinical College of Cincinnati. Our growth is testimony to the international acclaim we have engendered and our wholesome ethos of never allowing a student’s financial situation to impede his chance to attend our Yeshiva. We are committed to building the Jewish leaders of tomorrow's world.

However, we rely on partners like you to join our team and help build the Messianic world of goodness and peace, the dream promised to us by our holy Torah that we have held so dear through the millennia: the dream of a better tomorrow.

As someone who recognizes the value of education, we turn to you to join us in our holy work by defraying the costs of our upkeep and sponsoring our activities. You can do this by bequeathing a classroom or providing a scholarship for one of our students, and alliesing yourself with our Yeshiva in a meaningful, yet practical way. We are happy to discuss tailoring an opportunity to partner with us in a way that works for you!

How You Can Help:

- **$500,000** High School Building
- **$180,000** The Main Study Hall
- **$180,000** Dormitory Building
- **$10,000** One of Ten Classrooms
- **$10,000** One of Twenty Bedrooms

- **$25,000** Jewish Research Library
- **$18,000** The Aron Kodesh
- **$5,000** The Study Hall Bimah
- **$1,000** One of Fifteen Bookshelves
- **$770** The Dean's Lectern
- **$540** One of Forty Study Tables

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- **$36,000** Named Mentorship Award
- **$10,000** Annual Full Scholarship
- **$7,700** Adopt-a-Student
- **$3,600** Teach-a-Student
- **$1,800** Summer Student Program

DEDICATE IN HONOR/MEMORY

- **$3,600** A Month of Learning
- **$900** A Week of Learning
- **$540** The Yahrtzeit Weekend
- **$395** “Neshama” Day of Learning
- **$360** Thursday Night Learnathon
- **$180** A Farbrengen in Memory

OUR YEARLY FUNDING

Although we work hard to remain fiscally responsible, our ethos of accepting students regardless of circumstances does lead to a shortfall each year. Here's a brief overview of how our annual expenditure adds up:

- **Funds We Need**
- **Existing Donors**
- **Tuition**

Will YOU help us bridge the gap this year?
Parents’ Testimonials

Parents share the amazing growth their sons experience at Yeshivas Lubavitch Cincinnati

As a parent, I believe the Yeshiva has a healthy blend. The staff is young, enthusiastic and devoted, the Shluchim, always involved and caring, and soon became friends and role models. Chayus in learning, within discipline and structure, are all conducive to a healthy, consistent atmosphere of growth and learning. (Our son is) wanting to succeed with the ability to simply do his best.

For all this we are very grateful. Wishing Rabbi Avtzon and the whole Yeshiva’s tireless team much success and blessings.”

Itzhok and Rena Lerner, Long Island, New York

“My husband and I are very pleased with YLC. There is a warm and caring Hanhala and staff, a fire of inspiration and excitement in which the bochurim can really grow. I feel Rabbi Avtzon and his staff really try to be m’chanuch the boys…and give them what they need individually.”

Miriam Karp, Cincinnati, Ohio

“When choosing a yeshiva for our son, we heard only great things about YLC, and they lived up to our expectations and more! My son is finishing his second year and will be going back for his third. Rabbi Avtzon is a true m’chanuch in every aspect who is warm and caring and shows his personal attention to every child!”

Leibish and Faige Brafman, Crown Heights, New York

“Our son’s years in this Yeshiva have been wonderful. All of the teachers are caring, sensitive, and professional. If you want to discuss your child with Rabbi Avtzon or one of the teachers, there is someone to talk to…our son truly feels that this is his home away from home…he has gained so much these three years.”

Chaim and Ester Melamed, Chicago, Illinois

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