

Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included

Posted by shemirateinayim - 25 Jan 2010 07:26

I started this post, after making too many unheeded responses to Kedushah's threads. There is SO MUCH that we can all do to raise awareness, without even getting off our chairs. Simply call the Rav of a shul and town that never heard of you. Don't identify yourself, but give him a pep-talk about addiction, offer to sent him the haskama to this site, a handbook, and poster. Let him adress it on shabbos, making 'the anomomous you', into his scapegoat(and post the material in the shul bulletin).

The intention of this thread is solely for the furtherment of spreading the word. Please limit all posts to this cause alone.

Please supply any ideas, letters, etc. to help everyone accomplish this holy task. Why should Kedushah get ALL the credit, let's do something ourselves!

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included

Posted by MaalinBKodesh - 28 Jan 2010 19:06

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included

Posted by Kedusha - 28 Jan 2010 19:49

[LeivTahorBeraLi wrote on 28 Jan 2010 19:06:](#)

I did it guys. Went to the post office and mailed large envelopes to the rabbanim in my town, with no return address. They each contained a personal anonymous letter from me, R'Aharon Feldman's letter, and the two flyers. I said a silent tefillah in line. Feels really good. It will be surreal if I actually see the flyers up in any of the shuls next week.

A very big Yashar Koach, Lev Tahor!

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by shemirateinayim - 29 Jan 2010 00:39

[EsaEinai wrote on 28 Jan 2010 18:59:](#)

Has anyone pursued getting the message out through Chabad. They have so many means of delivering this message on a large scale; through Chabad Houses, email lists, the main chabad.org site and hundreds of local chabad sites etc etc.

Great Idea, just sent a message to chabad.org Anyone wanna help me send the following letter to every single channad center listead over here:

http://www.chabad.org/centers/default_cdo/aid/15676/jewish/Advanced-Search.htm

I already sent to the website itself, in addition to:

Alabamaout of time for now But keep working through all the states in alphabetical order!
somebody is bound to spread our cause!

It's simple, just keep fillin-in the same info into every single form. Here is the email I sent (please no comments on the first sentnce it's technicly true) feel free to edit and improve it for me:

The work of chabad may easily be the most powerfull, and far reaching kiruv effort worldwide! In recognising this, I come seeking your assistance. In the words of R Yosef Viener "I'm quite

aware of what's going on in Klal Yisrael; and I will still say, that this is the SINGLE, BIGGEST problem facing us today - bar none. " Internet addiction has spread throughout the frum world, and all the more-so to Jews coming from more modern backgrounds.

R Shimshon Pinkus Zatz"l has a tape discussing the internet of his days, (dial-up slower than 57k) and yet every single word that he has said has been proven true, to even the biggest cynic. If only he knew HOW true. He brings a zoher that states that in the ikvesah demashichah the world will be a Va'ad Leznus. A vaad, he goes on to explain, is the collection of scholars for the pursuit of wisdom. And the area of intellect that our current generation will pool our great inds into, is the furtherment of znus (the entertainment industry). So far I have not put words into his mouth, the above is all his words. We have sadly seen the fulfillment of this, and the great power that these words yeild.

It can be easily seen, from the comments left on articles relating to internet addiction, that there is a great need for awareness. Awareness not of the sickness, but of the readily available cure!

In short there is a website (2 years old) that provides many tools to aid in the recovery, and treatment of this addiction. The site itself is non-profit, and has recently received a Haskamah from Rabbi Aharon Feldman, a member of the Moetzes Gedolei HaTorah of America, in addition to a haskamah from Dr. Rabbi Avraham J. Twerski (who responds to questions addressed to him, on the forum).

I as an active member, and recovering addict myself, ask of you to please include a link for the sites homepage, at the bottom of every article dealing with this addicition. Please give the readers a place to turn to, other than merely posting comments on the bottom of the article. As a bachur, I have no means to pay for this as an advertisement, but I ask it of you as a favor for klal yisrael. The intention of the articles os to being every single Yid closer to hashem, but sadly this issue is far greater than an article. And the same way you would freely recoment a prospective BaAl teshuvah to seek a rabbi, so too you should provide an adiquate link to Please contact the website administrator for more info at eyes.guard@gmail.com

Please send me an email in response, after touring the website itself, and it's forum (my username is shemirateinayim)

The Website: www.guardyoureyes.org www.guardureyes.com

The forum: rehab-my-site.com/guardureyes/forum/index

The Haskamah

www.guardureyes.com/GUE/Misc/Rabbi%20Twerski%27s%20Haskama%20med.jpg

www.guardureyes.com/GUE/Misc/Rav-Aharon-Feldman--GYE-Letter.gif

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by shemirateinayim - 29 Jan 2010 05:38

update:

I received the following email from chabad.com:

[quote] So far, we haven't posted public articles on this topic. We are counseling a number of individuals away from the addiction, B"H with some success. I've referred several people to GuardYourEyes already. Thanks for the reminder.

Hatzlacha b'kol ha-inyonim,

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-- Rabbi T*** F***** (didn't get reshus to publicize)

-- Chabad.org--Rabbis That Care

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by imtrying25 - 29 Jan 2010 09:51

I bow my friend, i bow.

Keep up the great work.

Your special.

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by shemirateinayim - 31 Jan 2010 05:54

Hey kedusha is great at getting Haskamos, mybe he can gat one from R Veiner, oh and I don't know what he had on that handout of internet fitters, but I hope that "gYE.com" was on there.

Can anyone help with the long list of chabbad houses? I knly got 10 fingers, and like 5 hours to sleep at night! So cmon ppls and please do your part of copy/pasting this (your own) email on the above link, please everyone do 1 or 2 states.

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by shemirateinayim - 31 Jan 2010 23:15

I need 3 volenteers: You set your own hours, and work at your own (frantic) pace, and you will save hundreds of yidden.

I need brainstormers: Anyon who can think of an organization, shul, yeshiva, or anything jewish that can benefit from an email from us, post it [here](#).

New ideas: Contact

NCSY

Young Israel

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by shemirateinayim - 01 Feb 2010 00:31

I got an email to every single region of NCSY, And to many of the regional brach advisors themselves. they list theri emails online! he he he I am now a spammer! coooooool

I can't do it myself, I have achrayus that I ignore when doing this. I need a hand someone!!

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by shemirateinayim - 01 Feb 2010 00:38

OK a few of the emails didn't work, but I still just made a big start. Kedusha, can you please modify my letter, to make it profesional and informative. Oh, and just make the first sentence able to be edited for each individual organisation/rav.

EVERyone else: send me contacts, and I'll do all the amils that I can!!

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by Kedusha - 01 Feb 2010 01:32

[shemirateinayim wrote on 01 Feb 2010 00:38:](#)

OK a few of the emails didn't work, but I still just made a big start. Kedusha, can you please modify my letter, to make it profesional and informative. Oh, and just make the first sentence able to be edited for each individual organisation/rav.

Not sure what you mean, but check out this e-mail that I just sent to a major Frum publication. Perhaps you can use some of the text.

rehab-my-site.com/guardureyes/forum/index.php?topic=1658.0

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included
Posted by shemirateinayim - 01 Feb 2010 03:26

My letter is not so professional, and still needs some work. You seem to be good at these things, so would you mind just tweeking my letter (even adding paragraphs) so that the recipiants get the whole picture. Essentialy these emails should incorporate every vital peice of information, which we would present at a face-toface meeting. So it needs to be well written.

I've already sent over 30 of them to Chabbad branches, and NCSY. I gotta start working on the Young Israel Rabbis. But I reay should present them with a finished product. So can you help me do that

Additionaly, since there is always a need to personalise the letter, I'll add the first sintence to the first paragraph, which will more properly pertain to the addressee.

I saved a copy of your letter in my Gmail Drafts, and I'll try sending it to every publication that I can, asking for a "grant/donation" in the form of advertisement

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included

Posted by Kedusha - 01 Feb 2010 04:11

SE,

Everyone has his own writing style. If you want to use a different letter, I revised my letter to the popular maggid shiur on p. 2 of this thread, to make it more suitable for other audiences. Of course, it will still need some modification.

rehab-my-site.com/guardureyes/forum/index.php?topic=1610.msg48879

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included

Posted by shemirateinayim - 01 Feb 2010 07:19

saved to my draft emails. Ypur right about the styles, just that I son't have the yishuv hada'as right now, to write an all encompassing letter. Thanks

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included

Posted by Kedusha - 02 Feb 2010 14:53

As noted on the ["Groundbreaking Letter of Support for GYE" thread](#), the Rosh Yeshiva has approved and signed an alternate version of his Haskama, which might be easier for certain venues to handle (it omits use of the "P word," but is otherwise the same powerful letter).

This version IN NO WAY replaces [the previous version of the Rosh Yeshiva's letter](#); each can be useful, depending on the venue.

[Here's the link](#) to the alternate Haskama.

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