

CONGREGATION ETZ HADAR

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Commitment to Community

Dear Community,

Recent *SURVEY RESULTS* indicate that Congregation Etz Hadar meets the needs and community is very satisfied with services. With a nearly 70% response rate, our welcoming group of more than 50 households (approximately 70 people) continues its participatory, egalitarian tradition to maintain a solid Jewish presence in Redlands and for the Inland Empire for over 28 years.

We are again looking forward to another year of exceptional leadership for our 28th High Holidays. Join us on **Sunday 3 August at 11 am** to meet Rabbi Cheryl Peretz, Associate Dean, *AJULA Zeigler School of Rabbinic Studies*, and our Shaliach Tzibbor, *AJULA Rabbinic Student*, Adir Yolcut, for a nosh and session about preparing your heart for the New Year.

To continue our efforts to meet the needs of our Jewish community for educational programming, social activities, community celebrations, and religious services, I ask you to renew your support for Congregation Etz Hadar.

The Board is committed to operate with a balanced budget with careful and transparent allocation of resources provided by your contributions. Though many dedicated volunteers keep overhead costs to a minimum, your donations pay for our mortgage, utilities, food, cleaning, repairs, and security, in addition to the highest quality professional religious leadership as possible. The annual per person cost to run our synagogue is comparably modest to other communities, only \$1,100 per person including the High holydays.

Etz Hadar continues to need your support. Please consider what Etz Hadar gives you and your family each year. Etz Hadar sustains a home for you and others in our community to dwell with G-d for Jewish celebrations, for ritual traditions, as well as for sharing joys and tribulations that are our part of our commitment to Mitzvot.

We would be grateful to receive your contribution to sustain our community, as a monthly payment (<http://etzhadar.org/membership.html>), or by **mail** (send check and form in enclosed envelop) or give what you can as often as possible. With your donations, you ensure a strong Conservative Jewish presence in our community and in support of committed Jewish families in Redlands and the local Inland Empire.

We thank you for your past and continued support for Etz Hadar.

Steve Yellon

President, Congregation Etz Hadar of Redlands, syellon@llu.edu

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed it's the only thing that ever does. -Margaret Mead

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Commitment Form (please include form with return envelope or)

Name: _____

Here is how to help sustain and grow Congregation Etz Hadar

	Annual Donation:
Sunshine	\$5,400.00
Water	\$3,600.00
Orchard	\$1,800.00
Fruit	\$1,200.00
Flowers	\$1,000.00
Trunk	\$ 800.00
Leaves	\$ 600.00
Branches	\$ 400.00
Seeds	\$ 200.00
Other amount	

It's easy and safe to contribute! Please see <http://etzhadar.org/membership.html> or send your check in the enclosed envelope to make your donation.

Annual contribution \$ _____ or

Monthly contributions of \$ _____ /mo.

Additional High Holiday contribution/pledge of \$ _____ .

If any changes have occurred in the past year, please update your Directory information:

Address:

Phone (Home or Cell)

Email: