



(At left) Residents of Moishe House NYC: Murray Hill; (top right) Chanukah Reggae Style in Jerusalem; (bottom right) concert at Moishe House NYC: Park Slope.

## TWELVE NEW MOISHE HOUSES

In 2012, we expanded our network to 54 houses. We would like to introduce you to Moishe House...

Pittsburgh	Chicago—Repair The World	Tel Aviv
NYC—Park Slope	Columbus (Ohio)	Odessa
(formerly DUMBO)	Detroit—Repair The World	St. Petersburg (Russia)
NYC—Murray Hill	Marina (San Francisco)	
NYC—RSJ	Jerusalem	

## EXPANDING OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This past December, our Board of Directors met in San Diego to set goals for 2013, elect a new executive committee and induct our newest Board members. We welcomed six new Board members growing the group to include 18 incredible leaders.

### NEW MEMBERS

**Mark Charendoff** — Englewood, NJ  
**Rael Gorelick** — Charlotte, NC  
**Cody M. Greenes** — Philadelphia, PA  
 (Resident Representative)

**Sabrina Merage** — Santa Monica, CA  
**Jill W. Smith** — New York, NY  
**Stefan Teodosic** — Chicago, IL

Moishe House would like to extend a special THANKYOU to **Mike Nissenson** for his four-year term as Founding Board Chair for our organization. Also, we congratulate **Kevin Waldman** on his new role as Board Chair.

***From strength to strength.***

## FOURTH QUARTER

### STATISTICS

#### REACH

Houses 54  
 Countries 14  
 Continents 5

#### ATTENDANCE

Total Attendance 18,831  
 Total First-Timers 5,213

### PROGRAMS BY TYPE

Total Programs 1016  
 Jewish Holidays & Culture 348  
 Jewish Learning 129  
 Social 290  
 Repair the World 110

## 2012 YEAR END STATISTICS

#### REACH

Programs 3,726 (up 29%)\*  
 Participants 65,717 (up 23%)\*  
 First-Timers 16,857 (up 18%)\*

\*increase from 2011



## FIRST WEEKLONG LEARNING RETREAT: ANOTHER MOISHE HOUSE SUCCESS

With generous support from the Maimonides Fund, we hosted our first weeklong Learning Retreat in Santa Barbara California, this past December. Together with our in-house Jewish educators Rabbi Dan Horwitz and Dr. Zvi Bellin, notable educators **Dr. Meesh Hammer-Kossov** (Director of Admission and Social Justice at Pardes in Jerusalem) and **Dr. Joshua Lambert** (Education Director at the National Yiddish Book Center) expanded attendees' knowledge about Jewish traditions and rituals. More than an introduction

to Judaism, this retreat focused on prayer, text study, Jewish music, language, culture and provided nourishment for enriching our participants' Jewish journey far beyond their weeklong experience.

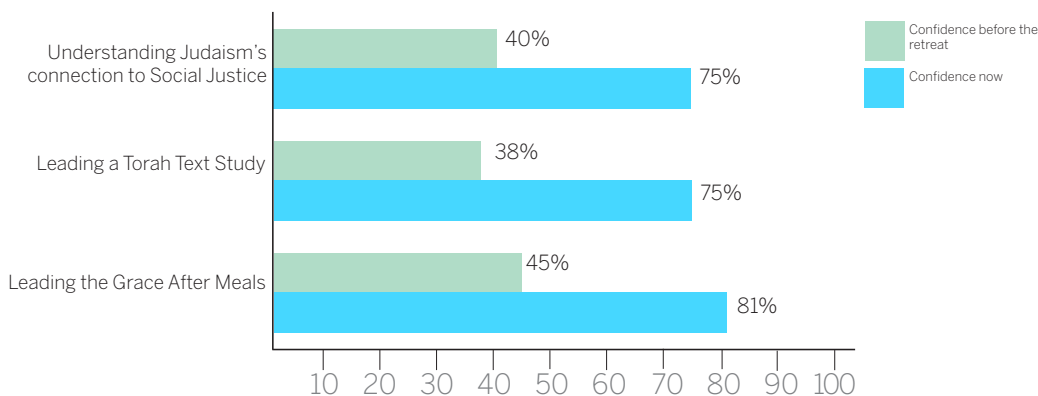
*"I really appreciated that you made text study and Jewish learning more accessible for all. The way the learning sessions were generally approached and how all the different backgrounds were taken in consideration and respected was very nice and refreshing."*

—Weeklong Learning Retreat Attendance

In 2012, we hosted **8** retreats, engaging and educating **225** young adults!

### NOTABLE FACTS & FIGURES

An overwhelming majority of attendees expressed that the retreat had a significant impact on their own confidence and skills as it relates to creating Jewish experiences for others:



100% of attendees expressed confidence after the retreat in their ability to personally answer the question, "Why be Jewish?"

### A QUARTER OF FIRSTS:

This fall, we also held our first **Russian Speaking Residents Conference**, October 5–7 in Kiev and our first **International Residents Conference**, November 23–25 in Budapest. Between the two convenings, dozens of residents gathered together, representing 16 houses from around the Globe!

## QUARTER 4 NOTABLE PROGRAMS

### Baltimore, MD

Hanukkah Candle Making  
17 Attended // 8 First-Timers

### Boston, MA

Creative Latke Party for Sandy Relief  
50 Attended // 5 First-Timers

### Budapest, Hungary

Kabbalat Shabbat – In the Sukkah!  
19 Attended // 5 First-Timers

### Chicago, IL

Global Hunger Shabbat  
22 Attended // 3 First-Timers

### Dallas, TX

Pumpkin Brunch  
23 Attended // 5 First-Timers

### Jerusalem, Israel

Ultimate Ushpizin: Torah Improv & Inner-tainment  
13 Attended // 8 First-Timers

### Los Angeles, CA

Volunteer @ SOVA Food Pantry  
13 Attended // 5 First-Timers

### Montgomery County, MD

Simchat Torah Celebration  
28 Attended // 15 First-Timers

### Park Slope, NY

Hurricane Sandy Volunteering  
7 Attended // 3 First-Timers

### Portland, OR

Sushi, Sake, Shindig in the Sukkah  
20 Attended // 3 First-Timers

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