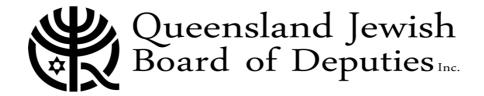


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# A-Z of Jewish organisations in Queensland

## **Australia-Israel Chamber of Commerce (QLD)**

Australia-Israel Chamber of Commerce (Qld) promotes business between Australia and Israel by increasing the level of Australian awareness of Israel as a business partner. All are invited to become involved in this dynamic and progressive business organisation. The Chamber holds regular business luncheons and networking opportunities with high profile political and business leaders.

Contact: simon@aicc.org.au

www.aicc.org.au

# Australasian Union of Jewish Students (AUJS), QLD

The Australasian Union of Jewish Students (AUJS) is the federal body for Jewish student societies at university campuses in Australia and New Zealand.

We provide a wide variety of political, social and educational activities based on our four pillars – Judaism, activism, pluralism and Zionism. Our famous Israel Programs send hundreds of students to Israel each year. We also aim to unite Jewish students throughout Australasia, promote Jewish identity, support the needs and interests of all Jewish Students and foster a positive relationship with Israel.

Contact: qld@aujs.com.au

www.aujs.com.au



#### Beit Or v'Shalom

Beit Or v'Shalom Incorporated is a constituent of the Union for Progressive Judaism. Beit Or v'Shalom runs a Cheder and services are conducted each Shabbat and on festivals. It is located on Brisbane's southside.

Contact: <a href="https://www.beitorvshalom.org.au/index.php/contact-uswww.beitorvshalom.org.au">https://www.beitorvshalom.org.au/index.php/contact-uswww.beitorvshalom.org.au</a>

## **Betar Queensland**

Betar Queensland is a revisionist Zionist youth movement whose aim is to unite the Jewish youth of Queensland and provide a framework of education in Zionism, Judaism and Betar ideology. Holds regular functions, camps and other related events. www.betar.org.au

#### **Brisbane Chevra Kadisha**

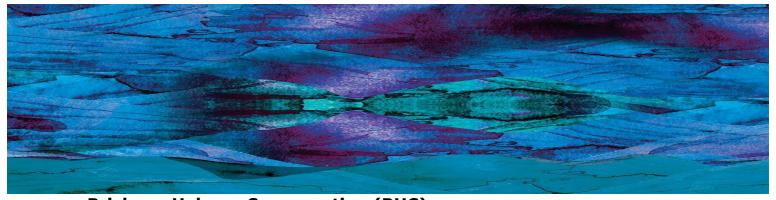
The Brisbane Chevra Kadisha is run on a voluntary basis and attends to the last rites, Tahara and burial of persons belonging to the Jewish faith in accordance with Jewish laws and customs.

It provides comfort and guidance to mourners, assisting with funeral arrangements and procuring tombstones in accordance with local customs and laws.

It raises funds through membership, donations and bequests for the purpose of maintaining its Chapel and Holocaust Memorial and ongoing maintenance.

Contact:

www.bck.net.au



# **Brisbane Hebrew Congregation (BHC)**

The BHC is Queensland's oldest Jewish congregation dating back to 1865. The Brisbane Synagogue was built in 1886 and is listed as a heritage building by the Government and National Trust.

The BHC is a modern orthodox congregation offering a full range of services and activities. Shabbat services are held Friday evenings and Saturday mornings weekly. All festivals are celebrated with services commencing at similar times to shabbat. The congregation also holds morning services on Monday and Thursday mornings. We hold cheder classes on Sundays and adult Jewish learning classes in the evening from time to time. Tours of the synagogue and lectures for school groups and interested organisations are also held regularly.

Membership of the BHC is encouraged. However, all are welcome to participate in activities.

www.brisbanehebrewcongregation.com

# **Byron Bay (Northern New South Wales)**

For further information about activities in Byron Bay, contact: <a href="mailto:chabadgcnr@yahoo.com">chabadgcnr@yahoo.com</a>

## **Cairns and North Queensland**

Chabad of North Queensland, a sub community of Chabad of RARA, services the community of Cairns and the rest of North Queensland including Townsville, Airlie Beach and Mackay. We rund a Jewish Hebrew School on day a week, a weekly Mummy and Me toddler group, Weekly adult education classes and women's social get togethers. We have weekly Shabbat meals with 30 – 60 people attending. Holiday programs are organised for every Jewish festival and distributions of materials for those holidays are seen to as well. Chaplaincies are available for the prison, hospitals and campus for Jews who are in these facilities and run a variety of other programs for the Jewish communities of the region. The first Torah Dedication Ceremony was held to welcome Far North Queensland's first Torah Scroll.

Contact: <a href="www.chabadnorthqueensland.com">www.chabadnorthqueensland.com</a> chabadcairns@gmail.com

0435867477



#### **Chabad House Brisbane**

Chabad House Brisbane is part of the international Chabad-Lubavitch movement, and its aim is to further Jewish awareness and observance. The Chabad House provides a warm and welcoming place where Jews can find out about their religion and/or extend their knowledge of Judaism. Chabad House is a dynamic centre of Jewish activities, catering for Jews of all ages and from all backgrounds. Among Chabad House activities are: school holiday day-camps for the children and lectures and courses for adults. Chabad House has a library with books for children and adults alike. Chabad House also publishes and distributes a communal calendar and Jewish holiday guides organises major communal festival events such as "Chanukah in the City".

Contacts: chabadbrisbane@bigpond.com

www.chabadbrisbane.com

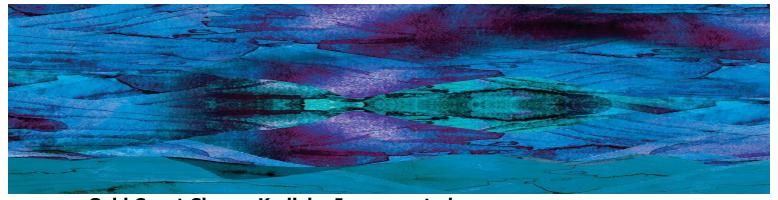
# Chabad of Rural and Regional Australia (RARA)

Founded in 1999 to cater for Jews living outside of the main city centres throughout Australia, it now has over five hundred Jewish contacts in Queensland alone. On a rural front these numbers include Jewish people in Toowoomba, Bundaberg, Airlie Beach, Mackay, Hervey Bay, Mareeba, Magnetic Island, Innisfail and Rockhampton. These people receive a visit from the Mitzvah Mobile (Caravan) every 18-24 months. There are programs run three times a year in Cairns, Townsville and the Sunshine Coast. These include Pesach Seders, High Holiday Services, Purim parties, Shabbatons and Torah study seminars.

Contact: <a href="mailto:chabadofrara.org@gmail.com">chabadofrara.org@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:www.chabadofrara.org@gmail.com">www.chabadofrara.org@gmail.com</a> 0425 730 412

# Friends of the Hebrew University (Qld)

Supporting the Hebrew University in Israel. Contact: henrymalecki@hotmail.com



# **Gold Coast Chevra Kadisha Incorporated**

The Gold Coast Chevra Kadisha is run on a voluntary basis and attends to the last rites, Tahara and burial of persons belonging to the Jewish faith in accordance with Jewish laws and customs. It provides comfort and guidance to mourners, assisting with funeral arrangements and procuring tombstones in accordance with local customs and laws.

Contact: <a href="mailto:chevrakadishagoldcoast@gmail.com">chevrakadishagoldcoast@gmail.com</a>

# **Gold Coast Hebrew Congregation**

Our Synagogue, located at the heart of Surfers Paradise, provides the necessary religious, spiritual and social needs to our local community as well as to all our Jewish visitors and holiday makers. We house a 'Heimish' and cosy Synagogue, with a warm feeling and gentle approach to all During the year we cater to the kosher needs of our local and interstate visitors with an extensive selection of Kosher meats and dry goods at our Kosher Shop and Deli.

Contact: gchc@westnet.com.au

www.goldcoasthc.org.au

#### **Gold Coast Jewish Community Services Inc.**

The role of this organisation is to "Assist Jewish people in need". The objects of this Association are to provide assistance for youth – families – single parents – and elderly members of the community.

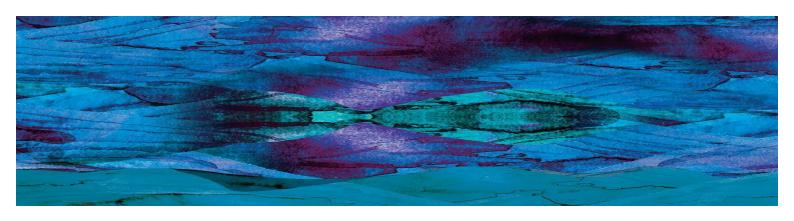
Contact: Tomrobyn@ausinfo.com.au

#### **JCareQ**

JCareQld is a Brisbane based welfare organisation for the Queensland Jewish Community. It assists those in need of social and/or financial assistance in the areas of aging, family trauma, and youth medical and psychiatric issues.

Contacts: Howard.posner@qjbd.org

Phone Helpline 1300 133 660



## **Jewish Communal Centre (Queensland)**

Situated 20 minutes from Brisbane's CBD, the Jewish Communal Centre (Queensland) is a unique asset for the community. Its facilities include a swimming pool, tennis and basketball courts, oval and a nature walking trail. It also has fully functioning kitchens and function areas. On its grounds are also Sinai College (a P-7 co-ed Jewish Dayschool), a Community Childcare Centre and a Retirement Village.

Contact: aerlbaum@bigpond.net.au

## **Jewish Help in Need Society of Queensland**

Our Society is here to assist Qld residents of the Jewish Faith, who are in times of urgent financial need, and may need assistance by way of a non interest loan over a specified period of time.

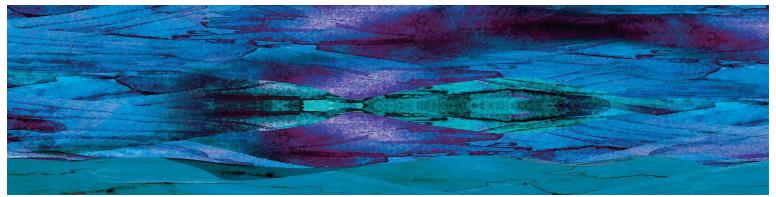
#### Contact:

Lee McNamee 0417723399 lee@psarc.com.au pgldsmth@bigpond.net.au

### **Jewish Retirement Village**

The Jewish Communal Centre Retirement Village consisting of six, one bedroom and 14 two bedroom units was initially funded by B'nai Brith and subsequently by way of a bequest from Harold John Unger and a donation by the Saragossi family. Located within the grounds of the Jewish Communal Centre QLD (JCCQ), residents have access to all the facilities located within the JCCQ. A Shule is located within the complex offering Shabbat and High Holy Day services.

Contact Alan Erlbaum aerlbaum@bigpond.com 0419 355 344



# Jewish National Fund of Australia (JNF), Queensland Division

JNF focuses on the greening the State of Israel through the creation, improvement and maintenance of forests and the preservation of natural landscapes and open spaces. JNF is also focused on land development, conservation and reclamation, including in rural and arid areas, including supporting new communities in the Negev. Conservation and expansion of water resources, drainage and rehabilitation of river systems, for the good of Israel and the entire region is also a priority. Some of JNF's contributions include 200 million trees over an area of 800,000 dunams of planted forests, 400,000 dunams of natural woodlands and more than 20 reservoirs.

In Australia, the JNF undertakes extensive promotional campaigns to raise funds for projects and to increase community responsiveness to its work. Special Zionist, ecological and other educational programs are designed to ensure JNF continuity into the future. The JNF commenced activities in Australia in the early 1900s and is considered the most successful 'Blue Box' collection country in the world.

Contact: jnfqld@jnf.org.au

www.jnf.org.au

## **Maccabi Queensland Incorporated**

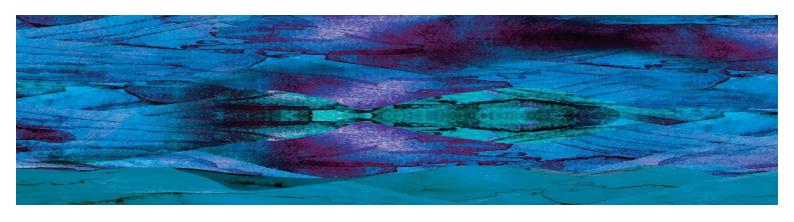
Jewish sporting organisation, competing locally, nationally and internationally. Maccabi Australian Junior Sports Carnivals are held annually in different cities. Maccabi Australian International Games are held every four years, also in different cities. Maccabiah is held in Israel every four years.

Contact: <u>queensland@maccabi.com.au</u>

www.maccabiaustralia.com

### Magen David Adom (Qld)

Fundraising and functions supporting Magen David Adom Contact: <a href="mailto:henrymalecki@hotmail.com">henrymalecki@hotmail.com</a> www.magendavidadom.org.au



## Mishkan Israel Synagogue

Mishkan Israel Synagogue is Brisbane's youngest Orthodox Jewish congregation, established in 2015. The congregation is mixed Sefarad, Ashpenaz, Israelis, welcomes all and is situated at the Jewish Communal Centre in Burbank, 20 minutes from Brisbane's CBD.

Services are held Friday evenings, Saturday morning, Sunday morning and Monday evening. The Monday service is followed by a shiur covering the weekly Torah portion, the festivals and our sages.

Festivals are celebrated with services and meals for the community and attendees.

Mishkan Israel offers a synagogue for services, activities and a 2-bedroom townhouse for kosher accommodation.

The mission of Mishkan Israel is to shift observance from the physical to the spiritual. This unique, engaged and vibrant community attracts those filled with a desire to learn, engage with Jewish culture and knowledge and is growing.

For further details of our services, activities or kosher accommodation please contact:

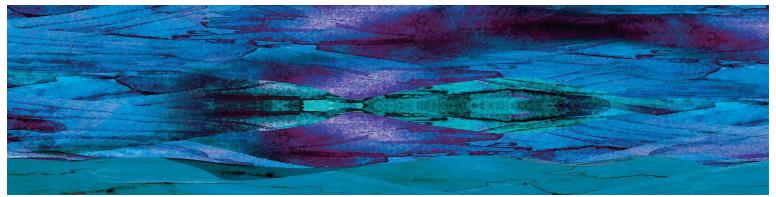
Eli Saranga – Chairman email: sarangaeli@gmail.com – Mobile: 0434724052

Shlomo Cohen - President email: Shlomocohen357@hotmail.com -

Mobile: 0411 140 896

TzuriShaddai Demartini-Scacheri – Secretary email: tsds5777@gmail.com

- Mobile: 0431 581 086



National Council of Jewish Women of Australia- Brisbane Section Inc.

NCJWA was founded in Sydney in 1923, and there are now sections in all States. NCJWA is affiliated with the International Council of Jewish Women. The Brisbane Section was founded in 1927. Our three point platform is to provide support for Israel, local Jewish causes and local non-Jewish causes. We also have an education platform to inform the general community about Judaism. We hold monthly meetings with a guest speaker, and regular social functions for fund raising. We welcome both women and men to our meetings.

Contact: <a href="mailto:www.ncjw.org.au">www.ncjw.org.au</a> ncjwbne@gmail.com

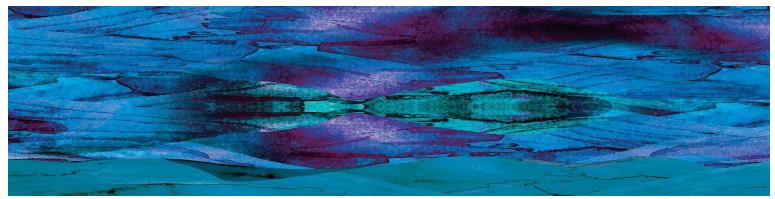
# National Council of Jewish Women of Australia (Gold Coast Section) Inc.

NCJWA supports Jewish, local and national charities as well as its major projects in Israel which reflect Council's concern for immigrant women's safety and education: disabled children and adults: environmental/educational projects.

NCJWA affiliates: Jewish Women's Breast Cancer Network; Australian Jewish Women in the Arts; and Australian Jewish Women in the Law. Social justice, advancement of women, women's health and bioethics, women's and children's safety in families, intercultural and interfaith work, migrant support, community service, education and mentoring

Contact: bkann@bigpond.net.au

www.ncjw.org.au



# Queensland Association of Jewish Ex-Servicemen & Women (QAJEX)

Organization of Ex and Serving Members of Australian & Allied Forces. Israeli's are most welcome. Family members are encouraged to participate in remembrance activities which are held on Anzac Day & Remembrance Day.

Contact: loris r@hotmail.com

# **Queensland Jewish Board of Deputies Incorporated (QJBD)**

The QJBD is the official roof-body of all Queensland Jewry. The QJBD is recognised by the Queensland State Government and its agencies, the media and other ethnic and religious groups as the representative body of the Jewish community. It speaks on the community's behalf on all matters affecting the status, welfare and interest of Queensland Jewry.

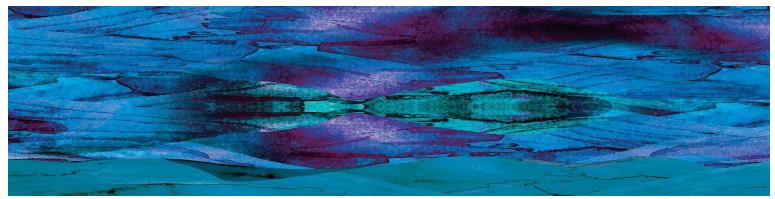
Its objectives are:

- To provide a united and responsible Jewish voice that is heard by all levels of government – Local, State and Federal.
- To provide an effective means of combating anti-Semitism.
- To provide friendly forums that allow difficulties and problems to be discussed and resolved.
- To organise communal ceremonies such as functions for visiting dignitaries.
- To provide speakers on Jewish topics to service clubs, schools and Church groups.
- To promote knowledge and understanding of the Jewish people and Judaism and working towards inter-community harmony and goodwill with other religious, ethnic and cultural groups.

The QJBD is part of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry (ECAJ), which represents all Australian Jews in its dealings on a national level.

Contact: info@qjbd.org

www.qjbd.org



## **Queensland Jewish Kindergarten Association**

The Queensland Jewish Kindergarten Association is the managing body for Queensland's first Jewish kindergarten – Gan Gani Kindergarten. Gan Gani was established in 1988 as a full-time Jewish kindergarten. It incorporates a unique Jewish curriculum that honours the heritage and traditions of our founding community and our current Jewish families whilst providing a window into this culture for our non-Jewish families.

The entirely play based program, for children aged 3 – 4.5 years, draws on the Queensland Kindergarten Learning Guidelines and the Early Years Learning Framework as the basis for their best practice in early childhood education and learning. As a community kindergarten affiliated with the Lady Gowrie Childhood Education QLD, Gan Gani is proud to have received NQS rating of *Exceeding the National Quality Standard*.

Gan Gani is a charming kindy set in a semi-rural environment, featuring their beloved Life Garden and Sound Garden and offering a daily program of stimulating play experiences in both the indoor and outdoor environments. The kindy is well equipped with high-quality, open-ended resources. The teachers carefully plan and resource learning experiences based on the children's interests, offering a safe and caring environment in which children can build confidence in their abilities, extend their communication skills, be creative and learn early literacy and numeracy concepts.

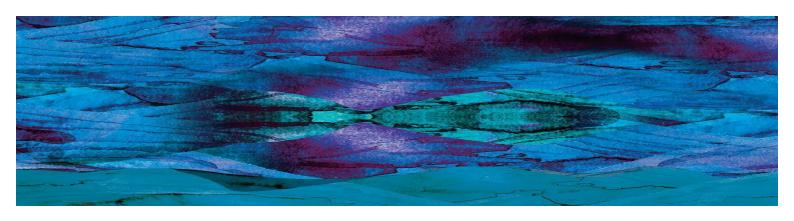
Contact: info@gangani.net.au

www.gangani.net.au

## **Shalom Magazine**

SHALOM was founded by the late George Frey OAM and first published in 1964 and has been serving the Jewish community ever since. It is published under the banner of the Jewish National Fund of Australia Queensland Division. It is a free monthly publication issued via email and has a distribution covering not only Queensland but all Australian states and overseas, including Israel. It is the vehicle by which the community keeps in touch with local events, JNF projects and happenings occurring in Israel, overseas and locally. It is highly regarded and valued by the community as it is unique in its style and longevity. SHALOM is the first point of reference for all those wishing to learn about the Brisbane and wider Jewish Community.

Contact: shalominf@westnet.com.au



# Sinai College Jewish Day School and Sinai Montessori Kindergarten

The Sinai campus is situated in a beautiful semi-rural campus in the South Eastern suburb of Burbank in Brisbane. The campus includes Sinai Montessori, a genuine Montessori Long Day Care Centre and Kindergarten for children aged 15 months to 5 years of age, and Sinai College, an independent Jewish day School, enrolling students from Prep to Year 6.

Sinai College achieves educational excellence within a framework of Jewish Values and by nurturing inquiry, creativity, independence and collaboration in a safe and caring environment. Sinai College is the first school in Australia to offer the highly-regarded International Primary Curriculum (IPC) in conjunction with the Australian Curriculum. The IPC is the curriculum of choice of international and national schools in over 1,800 schools in over 90 countries. Students are encouraged to ask questions and lead their own discovery journey to develop knowledge, skills, and understanding across all subject areas. The IPC is an exciting, values-based curriculum, fostering a lifelong passion for learning and international mindedness, preparing our children with 21st-century skills.

Sinai College blends small class sizes, multi-age classrooms, and individual learning plans to create a unique learning journey for each student. The school also offers Hebrew Language and Jewish Studies lessons, where students learn about Jewish culture and celebrations.

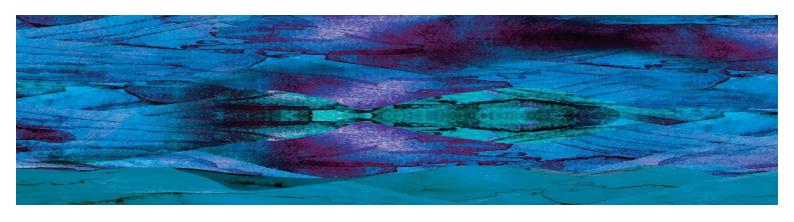
Co-located with a Jewish Communal Centre and Retirement Village, Sinai College offers a swimming pool, tennis and basketball courts, an oval and playgrounds surrounded by nature.

Enrol now! Send our principal an email and book a tour: <a href="mailto:sinaiprincipal@sinaicollege.qld.edu.au">sinaiprincipal@sinaicollege.qld.edu.au</a>.

# South Brisbane Hebrew Congregation—Givat Zion

We are a small orthodox synagogue in Brisbane's inner southern suburbs. We hold weekly Shabbat services and services on holydays and related cultural and social events.

Contact: gary.goldman@minterellison.com



## State Zionist Council of Queensland (SZCQ)

The SZCQ is the co-ordinating roof body for the Zionist organisations in Queensland. It's mission is to lead and encourage Jewish and Zionist activity and expression within Queensland, to represent the Jewish community, to promote and communicate Israel's interests within the broader Queensland community and to promote Queensland's relationship with Israel.

Contact: admin@szcqld.org.au

www.szcqld.org.au

# **Sunshine Coast Jewish Community**

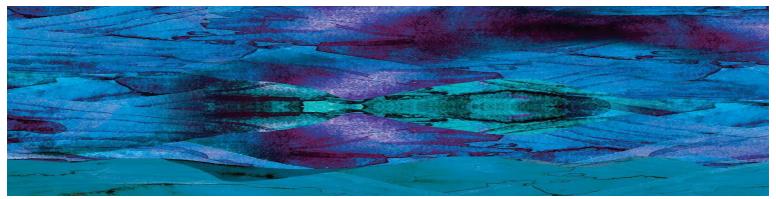
The Sunshine Coast Jewish Community started in 2004, is small, friendly, and gathers for communal events on a regular basis. Services are held for the High Holy Days, Pesach and a communal Friday night Shabbat is held once a month. The community is growing, and in November 2009 voted to incorporate. The cheder from 2009 has finished. We are about to launch a new cheder, dates TBA and the community has celebrated a significant number of Bnei Mitzvah over the past few years. There are about 80 registered members.

Contact: presidentscjc@gmail com

## **Temple Shalom (Gold Coast)**

Temple Shalom commenced in October 1976, as a result of numerous requests from those desirous of practising Progressive Judaism on the Gold Coast, a handful of enthusiastic people gathered together at the home of Mr & Mrs Len Spray and thus began the humble beginnings of Temple Shalom (Gold Coast). The congregation has been servicing the needs of Progressive Judaism since that time. Temple Shalom is affiliated with the Union For Progressive Judaism.

Contact: <u>ts\_gcenquiries@hotmail.com</u> <u>www.templeshalomgoldcoast.org</u>



#### **Tzedek**

Tzedek Qld was launched in April 2016. It comes under the umbrella of Tzedek National based in Melbourne.

Tzedek's primary role is to promote the prevention and control of sexual abuse of children within the Jewish community. Tzedek aims to raise awareness and educate the Jewish community on issues relating to child sexual abuse in order to prevent instances of abuse in the future. Tzedek provides educational and awareness programs for parents and community groups and facilitates School Protective Behaviour programs.

Tzedek also provides support to victims/survivors of child sexual abuse and assists them with supported referrals to community agencies and services to attend to their respective needs.

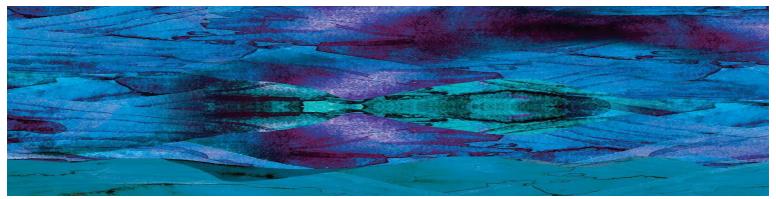
Contact: www.tzedek.org.au

1300 893 335

# United Israel Appeal (UIA) - Queensland

UIA was established in 1920 in London. In the wake of the Balfour Declaration of 1917, which called for "the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people", the Zionist leaders, realising the financial investment necessary to build and develop the Jewish homeland, established a fundraising mechanism for this purpose: the "Foundation Fund", commonly known by its Hebrew name the "Keren Hayesod". Our major challenge is securing the future of the Jewish people with Israel at its centre. This goal includes continuing to support Immigration, providing tools for the successful integration of new immigrants, empowering Israel's high risk groups, developing Israel's social and geographic periphery, maintaining the Jewish identity of Jews around the world and connecting them with Israel.

Contact: <a href="mailto:admin@uiaqld.org.au">admin@uiaqld.org.au</a>
<a href="http://www.uiaaustralia.org.au/">http://www.uiaaustralia.org.au/</a>



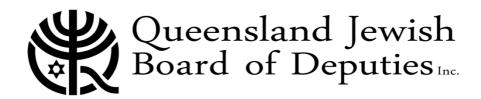
# **Women's International Zionist Organisation**

WIZO is an international women's organisation. In Queensland there is a state president, executive, and a number of groups. WIZO is recognised by the United Nations and represented on ecosoc and UNICEF, as well as on other international welfare bodies.

The primary purpose and object of the Australian federation of WIZO is to relieve poverty, advance education and benefit the wider community in Israel. WIZO works hard to achieve these goals in the field of information, education, support, public affairs and fund-raising.

Contact: wizoqld@gmail.com

www.wizoaustralia.org



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