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**Re: 5778/2018 Maos Chitim Fund**

Dear Friend,

With Simchas Purim still fresh in our minds, we immediately begin to prepare for the upcoming Yom Tov of Pesach. There is much cleaning, shopping, and numerous other tasks that must be performed before we begin the Chag Hamatzos.

For those who are less fortunate, Pesach is a very difficult time. The cost of Matzos, groceries, and other Yom Tov necessities is overwhelming and beyond their budget.

It is for this reason that the minhag of giving Maos Chitim – extra tzadaka before Pesach was established many generations ago by Klal Yisroel. This custom has continued within hundreds of Jewish communities throughout the world and should be an integral part of our Pesach preparations.

Once again, our Kehilla has set up a Maos Chitim campaign to assist individuals who can not afford to make Pesach and who require assistance before Pesach to help make ends meet. Dr. Mark Miller is the chairman of this important project.

It is our hope that you participate in this long standing tradition by opening your hearts for our fellow Yidden in need. Please take into consideration that it is difficult for families in our shul to pay for even staple food items for Pesach. If you require financial assistance or know someone who does, please do not hesitate to contact me for assistance.

Tax deductible checks should be made out to Khal Ahavas Yisroel Tzemach Tzedek or KAYTT. Please note "Maos Chitim" on the memo line. You can give it to Dr. Mark Miller or to myself. Alternatively, place it in the office mail slot, or mail it to the shul.

In this zchus may you be zoche to see the Geula Ha'amiti, bimhara biyamynu. Best wishes to you and your family for a chag kasher v'samayach.

Sincerely,



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Rabbi Dovid Heber