Kulanu Year-in-Review

Thank you for helping us strengthen Jewish life around the globe in 2026

Dear Friend,

As 2026 comes to a close, we look back on a year of real growth. Kulanu means "all of us," but none of our achievements would have been possible without you.

This year Kulanu worked alongside more than 100 communities across Africa, Latin America and Asia as they built Jewish life locally and connected with the wider Jewish world. **So far in 2026 our work has reached communities in 23 countries**, with support ranging from Passover and High Holiday celebrations to scholarships, infrastructure projects, technology and more. **Over the past three years, we've distributed more than $300,000 in project funding.**

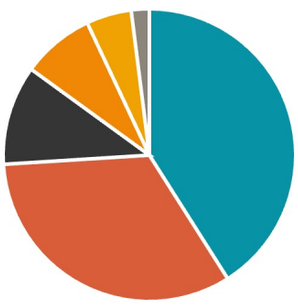


Students at Hadassah Primary School in Uganda

100+	23	154	6
communities impacted	countries reached	holiday celebrations	programmatic areas

WHERE YOUR SUPPORT WENT

2026 funding by program area



Jewish Education: Schools, deaf education, rabbis and teachers	41%
Holidays: High Holidays, Passover, and other celebrations	33%
Infrastructure: Building and repairing synagogues and schools	11%
Community Building: Matzah and challah bakes and radio projects	8%
Technology: Computers, phones, internet and solar panels	5%
Economic Development: Agriculture, nutrition and emergency relief	2%

Funding as of October 2026. By region: Africa (11 countries) · Latin America (9 countries) · Asia (3 countries).

> This year we received **more than 100 project funding requests** and were able to fund **about 1 in 5**. With your help, we can say yes to more communities.

OUR NEXT CHAPTER

A big step toward Kulanu's future

Some of our most important work this year happened behind the scenes. Working with the agency Dante Media, Kulanu took a major step toward upgrading our messaging and communications, starting with an audience survey. More than 230 people responded, about 40% of them donors. You told us you want to hear from us more often, so in the year ahead we will reveal more of these communities' stories, voices and histories.

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FUNDING IN ACTION

How your gifts became projects

Every quarter, Kulanu's Funding Committee reviews what Jewish communities around the globe want to build, from synagogue repairs and Jewish education to leadership training and holiday celebrations. Here's how your dollars made a difference in 2026.

Africa



In June, the committee approved **$1,800 to help a community build a new synagogue roof in Nigeria**, replacing the temporary canopy it has relied on for weekly services.

At left: B'nai Yehurun Synagogue, Nigeria, before the new roof

ALSO FUNDED IN AFRICA

Madagascar: rent to open a new Jewish school	$1,500
Kenya: legally securing community land	$1,300
Uganda: Chanukah soccer tournament	$700
Nigeria: Baal Shem Tov Academy roof repair	$1,200
Uganda: solar charging for deaf families	$1,000
Zimbabwe: laptops and internet access	$850

Special Project: African Jewish Radio

Jewish-themed radio broadcasts in Côte d'Ivoire (at right), Nigeria and Zimbabwe, sponsored by the National Center to Encourage Judaism.



Latin America



Brides with their ketubot in Brazil

In January, Kulanu leaders traveled to northeastern Brazil, where an independent Beit Din welcomed dozens of "Crypto Jews" – descendants of Jews forced to convert during the Inquisition – into the Jewish people.

Suriname: synagogue renovation	$1,000
Brazil: repair of historic synagogue chairs	$750

Asia



Bnei Ephraim community, Pakistan, at Rosh Hashanah

Holidays connect diverse communities to Jewish life around the world. This spring and fall, Kulanu helped Jewish communities in India and Pakistan celebrate Passover and the High Holidays together.

India: High Holiday celebrations	$300
Pakistan: Passover seder	$250

Help us make a greater impact in 2027

Thank you for helping Jewish communities around the globe build, connect and make their voices heard this past year. Please consider making a gift today so we can deepen this work in 2027 and beyond.

Give at kulanu.org/donate or in the included envelope.

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With gratitude,
Bonita Nathan Sussman
Board President, Kulanu

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