

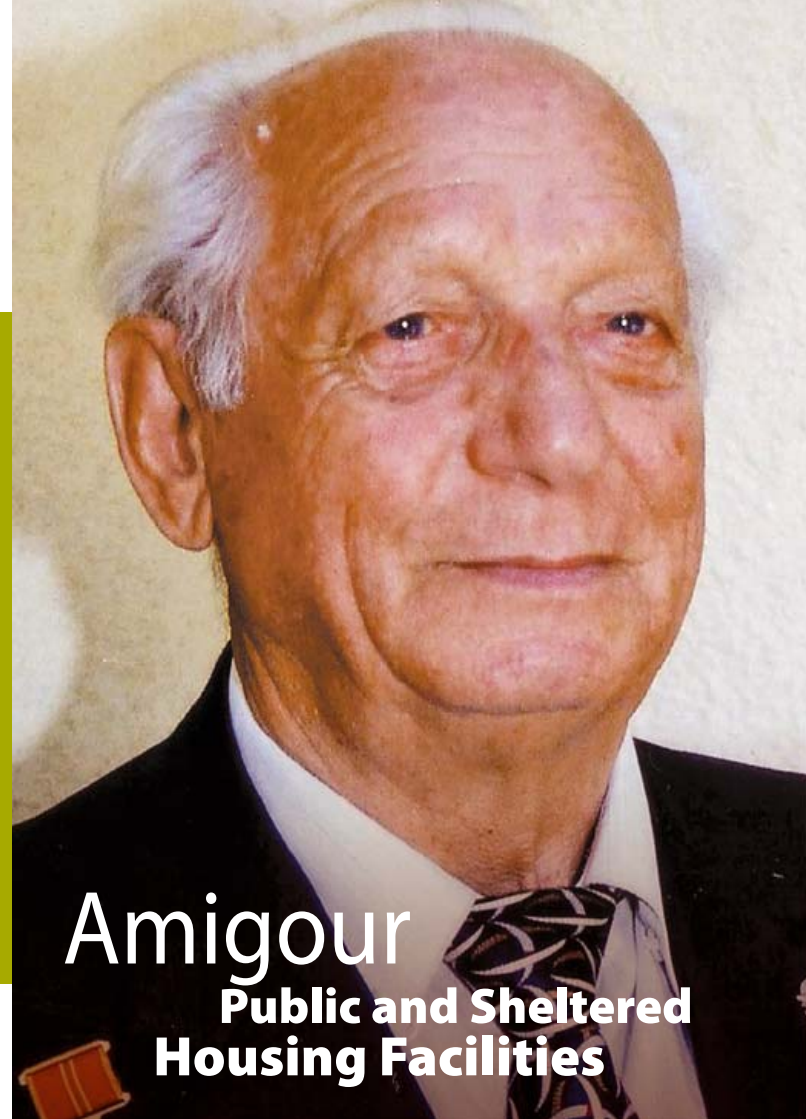


הסוכנות היהודית לארץ ישראל
Jewish Agency for Israel



At the Jewish Agency's Amigour sheltered housing facilities, maximum attention is given to Israel's low-income elderly immigrants to enrich their quality of life, maintain their well-being and ensure that they live in comfort and dignity.

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Amigour
Public and Sheltered
Housing Facilities

Today, Israel's population of senior citizens numbers approximately 600,000. Many live under or close to the poverty line and cannot afford to rent or purchase their own home. This problem is particularly acute among the elderly immigrant population from the FSU and other regions of distress.

A subsidiary of the Jewish Agency, the Amigour Housing Management Company provides immediate housing solutions to large numbers of elderly immigrants who come to Israel and have no viable housing options. Without the assistance of Amigour, these new immigrants would simply not have an appropriate place to live.

Amigour operates 57 sheltered homes throughout Israel, serving more than 7,500 senior citizens. Residents are able to enjoy independent living

in their own apartment while being part of a small, tight-knit community. Each sheltered housing facility has a professional staff including a social worker and house director. Amigour provides comprehensive security arrangements to protect its elderly population, including public address systems, emergency call buttons, smoke detectors and sprinklers, and emergency shelters.

In addition to meeting the physical needs of this special population, Amigour provides a wide variety of social and cultural services that enhance the quality of life of its residents. Activities include crafts, home economics, exercise classes, Hebrew, gardening and volunteer activities. Many of the activities are carried out in conjunction with community centers, schools, soldiers and local volunteers, bringing Amigour residents into the community fold. Recently, computer courses were also added.

Living in Dignity

With the shortage of low-rent housing in Israel, Amigour, Israel's leading operator of public and sheltered housing facilities, provides vulnerable populations, such as the elderly and new immigrants, with affordable housing solutions.