



# TORAH AND ISRAEL FOR ALL

## DORSHEI TORAH V'TZION: TORAH AND ISRAEL FOR THE FUTURE OF ALL JEWS - PLATFORM

In the wake of the horrific attacks on October 7, 2023, the Zionist Movement needs to unify to elect proven bridgebuilders with the ability to work across the entire Zionist ideological spectrum. At the most recent Zionist Congress, Dorshei Torah v'Tzion (DTT) demonstrated that it can play this role to span that divide.

### RELIGIOUS PLURALISM

DTT supports efforts to strengthen the Jewish identity of Israel as a state and to connect individual Jewish Israelis to their heritage. We support efforts to allow multiple religious options in the public and private sphere that reflect the reality of the State of Israel. For example, Israelis should have choices regarding weddings and prayer spaces at the Kotel. Every Jew eligible to make Aliyah under the law of return must have a path to marry legally in Israel. We also support alternative paths to conversion outside of the Israeli Rabbinate (Giyur K'halacha in Israel and all Orthodox conversions outside of Israel). We will advocate that the National Institutions of Israel call on the State of Israel to recognize these choices.

### EMPOWERING WOMEN

DTT supports systemic and legal changes that protect, support and empower women. We seek to expand the spiritual, ritual, religious leadership, intellectual and political opportunities for women. We support finding and implementing a sustainable solution to put an end to the Agunah crisis. We advocate for meaningful participation and equality for women in family life, synagogues, houses of learning and Jewish communal organizations. We also seek to raise awareness of and address the growing trends that exclude women from policy making decisions and public performances, and that erase images of women and girls from advertisements and publications.

### LGBTQ+ INCLUSION

DTT seeks a Zionist movement and a State of Israel that is inclusive of people of all sexual orientations and all family structures. LGBTQ+ individuals must be protected from harassment and discrimination, and they have the right to build the families of their choosing, including through surrogacy and adoption.

### SUPPORT YESHIVOT AND MIDRASHOT FOR MEN AND FOR WOMEN

We believe that Yeshivot and Midrashot in Israel strengthen the soul and spirit of the nation, working with the entire educational system in Israel to train people to function as productive members of society. We particularly support the institution of Yeshivot Hesder and Shiluv, which have given the IDF some of its finest and most dedicated soldiers and officers. We will seek increased funding for Midrashot for women, which often receive less funding than Yeshivot for men.

### STRENGTHEN UNITY OF AM YISRAEL

DTT seeks to strengthen the bonds between Jews in Israel and the Diaspora and to promote initiatives that deepen understanding between the two communities. We encourage and support Aliyah to Israel and support increasing aid to all Jews who want to settle in our national homeland.

### ZIONISM AND SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL

DTT will work to increase support for Zionism and the State of Israel among Jews and non-Jews in both the political realm and civil space. We work to combat anti-Zionism and those who seek to delegitimize the State of Israel and its right to exist, especially on university campuses. Our representatives have served on the Task Force to Combat Anti-Zionism and led the task force in addressing anti-Zionist sentiments on social media, Wikipedia, and on campus.

### PEACE, SECURITY, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

DTT is committed to supporting efforts to find a just and viable peace for Israel as a Jewish and democratic state, with security and dignity for all, including the Palestinian people. DTT would like to see Israel expand its role as a leader in the global cause for social justice, working to prevent suffering and oppression of the vulnerable and marginalized in Israel and around the world.

### PASTORAL CARE AND TRAINING

DTT will encourage the National Institutions to support training for providers of pastoral care and the provision of such care to Israeli soldiers, the people of Israel, and the global Jewish community to help address the traumas of the post October 7 world both in Israel and in the Diaspora.

#### Specific Proposals – DTT Supports:

- A Path for Legal Marriage for all Israeli Citizens.
- Opportunities for Women's Religious Leadership in Israel.
- Recognition of Conversions of Gi'yur Ki'halakha and of all Orthodox Conversions Outside Israel.
- Legal Protections from Discrimination for LGBTQ+ Individuals, Including the Right to Have Children through Surrogacy and Adoption.
- Multiple Respectful Prayer Sections at the Kotel to Accommodate Everyone.
- Equal Funding for Midrashot for Women.
- Funding for Programming that Connects Israeli and Diaspora Communities.
- Additional Aid for New Olim.
- Increased Funding for Pastoral Care and Training.





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