

# Frequently Asked Questions

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## Q: Who is Pitch In For Baseball?

A: Pitch In For Baseball (PIFB) is a registered 501(c)(3) global nonprofit that helps grow youth baseball. PIFB is the official equipment distribution partner for Little League International, USA Baseball, and MLB's RBI program.

## Q: Why Israel?

A: PIFB's Executive Director is of the Jewish faith and believes in creating opportunities for Israeli kids.

## Q: What can I do to help?

A: 90% of the equipment we have available to give away comes from kids just like you. You can Pitch In by running a collection, giving money, and telling your friends about us.

## Q: What Equipment do you accept?

A: Although we accept most equipment, the things we need the most are:

- Gloves (RH/LH)
- Catcher's Mitt
- BBCOR Bats
- Baseballs and 12 inch softballs

## Q: How will financial contributions be used to help baseball in Israel?

A: Gifts designated for Israel projects are used to purchase equipment necessary to fulfill requests and assist with shipping costs. Make checks out to Pitch In For Baseball or visit our website to make a gift online.

## Q: Are donations to PIFB tax deductible?

A: PIFB is a registered 501(c)(3), EIN #86-1141299.

## Q: How does the equipment get to Israel?

A: PIFB completes at least one project in Israel each year. Donations get set aside and are combined with other equipment requested from IAB.

## Q: Can I learn more about who my gift is supporting?

A: Yes. Make sure to give us your email address so we can give you updates. We also have a new **Track Your Glove** program where we let you know when your glove leaves our warehouse.



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# Mitzvah Projects



Making Baseball  
Possible for Kids  
Everywhere

# About Us

## Mission:

Founded in 2005, Pitch In For Baseball® (PIFB) is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides new and gently used baseball and softball equipment to boys and girls in the United States and around the world who want to play ball but lack the equipment to do so. We are the proven leaders in our industry.

Over the past 9 years, we have given out more than \$3.5 million worth of equipment to help more than 250,000 children play ball in nearly every state in the U.S. and more than 80 countries worldwide.

## Programs

### Domestic and International

PIFB makes equipment grants directly to baseball leagues, schools, and nonprofit organizations.

### Disaster Relief

In times of tragedy, children are the most affected. Baseball can have a healing power, restoring a sense of normalcy amidst the chaos. Over the past several years, PIFB has assisted in NY/NJ shoreline (following Hurricane Sandy); Joplin, MO; Gulf Coast Region; and Japan.

### Kids Helping Kids: Youth Philanthropy

About 90% of the equipment PIFB has available to distribute comes from the efforts of motivated, caring kids. PIFB has created resources to support kids in their charitable endeavors.



## Batter Up!

At its simplest, baseball is a game - an opportunity for pure play – that is enjoyed by boys and girls in backyards, streets, country fields, and sandlots. Yet baseball is also an important vehicle for youth development, instilling values such as teamwork, respect, integrity, and self-confidence.

### For the Love of Baseball

The game of baseball has spread internationally is gaining popularity among kids in Israel. While baseball in Israel may just be starting, Israeli kids have big dreams and big hearts. To make their dreams a reality, Israeli kids need baseball equipment and it is very difficult to get the necessary resources in Israel.

The Israel Association of Baseball (IAB) is working to field competitive teams that can travel to Europe and the United States for competition.

### Baseball as a vehicle for peace

Baseball is a way to bring Israeli and Arab kids together on the same field, promoting peace and understanding.

### Partners

PIFB and IAB have been teaming up since 2006. We've made 10 donations, giving hundreds of Israeli children the chance to play ball.

Your Bar/Bat Mitzvah project is a great opportunity to make baseball a reality for kids in Israel.

# How to Get Started

1. **Register your project** on the PIFB website ([www.pifb.org/html/submit.html](http://www.pifb.org/html/submit.html)). Make sure to share your Mitzvah date.
2. **Contact us** with any questions. We're here to support you!
3. **Start a Fundraiser.** Some people may not have equipment but want to support you by making a financial contribution.  
⇒ **Checks can be made out to Pitch In For Baseball, OR,**  
⇒ You can **create a fundraising page** through PIFB's website ([www.active.com/donate/pifb](http://www.active.com/donate/pifb)). You can personalize your page with a special message and even a picture. This page will track your donations, your progress, and send immediate thank you's to your supporters.
4. **Download materials** to help with your project from PIFB's website. ([www.pifb.org/html/jointheteam.html](http://www.pifb.org/html/jointheteam.html)).
5. **Run your collection and/or Fundraiser**
6. **Ship or deliver equipment to PIFB.** We always prefer that you come visit us so we get a chance to meet you. Shipping costs are tax deductible.
7. **Share your story and a photo** so we can recognize and thank you!

