

JOIN OUR CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Become a 'Friend of Snoa' and enjoy the benefits thereof while at the same time supporting the oldest Jewish community in continuous existence in the Americas. Founded in 1651 and with the current synagogue having been consecrated in 1732, Mikvé Israel-Emanuel in Curaçao is a birthplace of Judaism in the Americas.

In Judaism, eighteen is the numerical value of the Hebrew word "chai," which means "life." It has therefore become a Jewish custom to give monetary gifts or charity in increments of 18, thus symbolically blessing the recipient of the gift with a good long life.

- Donations of **one chai (\$18) to three chai (\$54)** receive a digital certificate as well as two digital pictures of the Snoa one each external and internal which will photographically include the Friends-logo and can be used for wallpaper on digital devices.
- Donations of **four chai (\$72) to ten chai (\$180)** will receive all of the above and *additionally* non-members of the community receive one year of digital community newsletters and/or bulletins, and if applicable also invitations to all community events.
- Donations from ten chai (\$180) to twenty chai (\$360) will receive all of the above and additionally receive a bronze paperweight designed and issued by Mikvé Israel-Emanuel on the occasion of its 350th anniversary. Upon visiting a Shabbat morning service at the Snoa during the year of the donation, the Jewish donor receives an aliya or other honor during the Torah service (depending on availability). Non-Jewish donors of this category will be recognized annually in services.
- Donations **above twenty chai (\$360)** will receive all of the above and *additionally* in the year of the donation a private tour of the synagogue and the Jewish Cultural Historical Museum for a group of up to four persons and an item of local ancestry inspired by our Snoa.

Donations to qualify for the above can be made in cash at Snoa's Office during a visit and/or by direct deposit to Mikvé Israel-Emanuel's bank account at MCB no. 870.510.00 and/or online at www.snoa.com by credit card or wire transfer. For more information we refer you to the synagogue's website at <u>www.snoa.com</u>

