

Israel's Emergency Responders Save Everyone — Jews, Muslims, Palestinians

The Lie:

- In emergency situations, Israel refuses lifesaving care to Palestinians living in Judea and Samaria, and discriminates against Arab civilians.

The Truth:

- United Hatzalah is just one example of how Israel's emergency services treat *anyone* in need — with no regard for religion, ethnicity, or citizenship.

Background:

- United Hatzalah is one of Israel's most diverse and effective emergency response networks. Its 8,000+ volunteers — Jews, Muslims, Christians, Druze, secular and religious — answer over 2,000 calls a day and routinely reach patients in under three minutes.
- Teams routinely save lives in mixed Jewish–Arab areas, on shared roads, and in Palestinian population centers—all places where response time is critical

Truth Explained:

- United Hatzalah includes **over 400 Muslim volunteers** and treats Palestinians daily, handing off patients to both Israeli ambulances and the Red Crescent.
<https://www.facebook.com/UnitedHatzalahofIsrael/photos/3380505192003094>
- Muslim and Jewish EMTs jointly **resuscitated a woman in Ein Nakuba** after 10 minutes without a pulse — **one of thousands of examples** of mixed teams saving lives together.
<https://www.jpost.com/israel-news/article-690058>
- During the 2021 unrest, **Muslim EMTs led mass-casualty treatment**, including during the Givat Ze'ev synagogue collapse when observant Jews could not use phones on Shavuot.
<https://www.ynetnews.com/magazine/article/H16HyWF900>
- Palestinians regularly seek treatment from United Hatzalah responders because they arrive faster and provide advanced care at no cost. <https://www.facebook.com/UnitedHatzalahofIsrael/photos/3380505192003094>
- Israel's commitment to medical neutrality is well-documented — even when the Palestinian Red Crescent has refused to treat wounded Israelis, Israeli responders have *never* withheld lifesaving care from Palestinians.
- <https://www.israelhayom.co.il/article/330603>

Quotes

- **Eli Beer:** “We reached out to our neighbors — starting with the Arab community — because saving lives comes first.”
- **Nazir Aweida (Muslim EMT):** “Saving a life is the highest value. We help everyone.”
- **Dovi Bash (Jewish EMT):** “We work as one team with no discrimination.”

Takeaway

Israel's emergency responders save everyone — proving that coexistence is a lived, daily reality.