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MDA STATION RENOVATION

A project twinned with Elstree & Borehamwood



The Dorice and Cecil Rosen MDA Station



Executive Summary

Magen David Adom UK has supported the Shoham community since 2012, when a temporary station was established. This was upgraded to a permanent station in 2015, funded once again by MDA UK.

Since 2015, the station has only undergone basic maintenance repairs. However, there is a growing need for renovations and functional upgrades to ensure that the station continues to meet the needs of the community and remains fully equipped to respond effectively to emergencies.

Shoham Renovation Project 2025

Magen David Adom UK is looking to raise £90,000 in conjunction with the Borehamwood & Elstree community for the renovation of the Shoham station including the development of a new Oxygen Cylinder Room.

With your support, we will save more lives.

Town Twinning: Elstree and Borehamwood with Shoham

In March 2023, the Hertfordshire borough of Elstree and Borehamwood proudly signed a twinning agreement with Shoham, a town of 23,000 residents located in Central Israel.



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Daniel Burger

13 March 2025

Dear Friends in Shoham

The Magen David Adom Ambulance Station

On behalf of the Mayor, the International Affairs Sub-Committee and the residents of Elstree and Borehamwood, we send our support for the very worthwhile work of the MDA Station you operate in Shoham, our Twin Town.

The renovation project and plans for oxygen storage are, obviously, a very worthwhile enterprise and we are pleased to hear that you receive support from residents in and around Elstree and Borehamwood and other parts of the United Kingdom.

We wish you well with your ongoing work supporting and helping those in need in your town.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jenny Simon'.

Jenny Simon
Mayor's Secretary

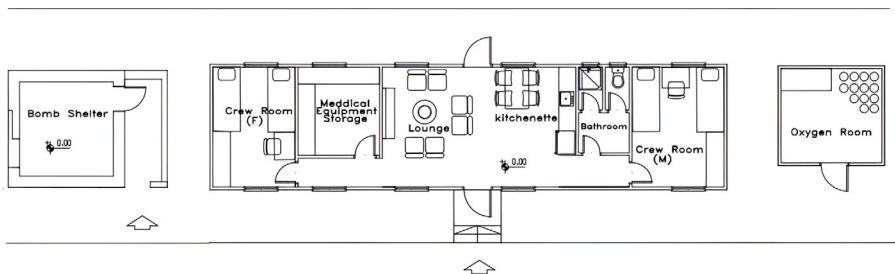
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Shoham MDA station – Established with support from MDA UK donors

A temporary MDA station was initially established in Shoham in 2012. In 2015, the Shoham council allocated a plot of 666 m² for the MDA station, to sit alongside the local police station and volunteer police unit. The Shoham MDA station was established thanks to the generosity and support of MDA UK donors. The station serves the residents of Shoham, nearby communities, Ben Gurion international airport and the surrounding industrial areas. The centralisation of the MDA, police and volunteer police stations has improved coordination and emergency response, especially during critical times such as 7th October 2023. The MDA station operates, 24/7, staffed by teams of paramedics, medics, and volunteers—both youth and adults—many of whom live in Shoham and participate in other MDA volunteer events for the community.

The MDA station consists of:

- A single-story modular structure (90 m²) that includes 1 training room, 1 changing room, 1 lounge with a kitchenette and dining area, and 1 bathroom.
- A bomb shelter (23 m²), to protect the teams, which also serves as a storage area during peacetime.
- An Ambulance Shed to accommodate 3 ambulances, with a large operational area at the front.



Shoham MDA Station
Floor Plan



Current state of Shoham MDA station

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Renovation Needs

Until now, there was only one changing room for both male and female crew to change into and out of their MDA uniforms, which caused operational delays. A key requirement is to convert a section of the training room into an additional changing room and resting area to provide privacy and improve operational efficiency. In addition, there is an urgent need to renovate the kitchen, crew lounge and garden area, as well as provide upgraded office furniture and signage.



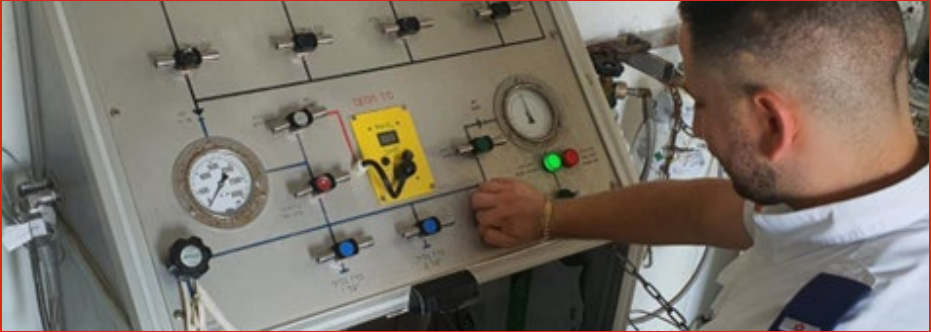
(Left) The station's only changing room, (Right) Damaged exterior tiles



(Left) Broken floor tiles, (Right) Damp damage to interior walls

Oxygen Cylinder Room

Oxygen cylinders containing medical grade oxygen are an essential piece of life-saving equipment on all Magen David Adom ambulances. Medical emergencies that may require the use of oxygen include: shock, sepsis, major trauma, cardiac arrest and resuscitation, among others. Each time an ambulance team returns to their MDA station after a call out, they have to refill the oxygen at a different station. Having an oxygen room onsite will reduce the time the vehicle is off duty. It is necessary to construct an Oxygen cylinder room to enable ambulance crews to refill onsite and allow the ambulances to return to full activity more quickly. The room will be built as an independent structure and will be equipped with industrial-sized oxygen cylinders, storage area and a switchboard.



An MDA paramedic filling up an oxygen cylinder

Cost

BUDGET ITEM	DETAILS	COST
Oxygen cylinder room	Construction & equipment	£50,000
Garden area	Renovation	£9,000
Crew lounge	Renovation & furnishings	£8,500
Crew changing room 1	Construction, renovation & furnishings	£7,500
Crew changing room 2	Construction, renovation & furnishings	£7,500
Kitchen renovation	Renovation	£7,500
Total		£90,000

Israel at War

Following the unprecedented terrorist attacks in Israel on 7th October 2023 and continued rocket fire over Israel since then, Magen David Adom teams throughout the country have been working at the highest level of alert, manning 100% of their life-saving vehicles 24/7, ready to respond at any given minute. Tragically, dozens of MDA paramedics and EMTs have been killed and countless others are putting their lives at risk while helping civilians under attack.



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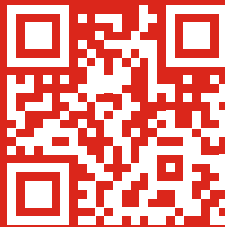
Magen David Adom (MDA) is Israel's national medical emergency, disaster, ambulance and blood service. Every year MDA collects and supplies over **300,000** units of blood for the people of Israel. MDA's fleet of emergency vehicles are positioned at **206** MDA stations all over Israel. MDA has **37,500** staff and volunteers (many of whom are paramedics and EMTs) and undertakes over **1.4 million** emergency deployments every year, saving thousands of lives. Magen David Adom UK is a leading UK charity dedicated to raising vital funds for MDA to enable them to save the lives of all people in Israel and around the world, no matter their political, religious or ethnic background.



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