

BLIZZARD OF THE DECADE

Every father likes to shep nachas from his
Ribono shel Olam, k'veyachol, to do so.

BUZZING ABOUT THE BLIZZARD

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On Monday, JCCGCI's Home-Delivered Meals (HDM) ("Meals-on-Wheels") program was one of the very few such programs that functioned despite emergency snow conditions. Meals were prepared and delivered on foot by extraordinary staff members who walked long distances.

I thought you might appreciate the following dramatic account of how the snow-delayed meal deliveries actually saved the life of one of our hundreds of low-income, homebound elderly Meals-on-Wheels clients.

It seems that the driver and deliverer arrived at one of the homes to find the client on the floor. They were able to get into the apartment because the client's son was there. Our driver knew that this client was diabetic, but for some reason, the son did not acknowledge that this might be the problem. Our staff immediately called Hatzolah and waited until they arrived and took the client

to Methodist Hospital.

We know how conscientious Esther Tashker, our program director, is about getting deliveries to the clients punctually, but G-d works in mysterious ways. If they had not been delivering so late due to the snowstorm, they would not have found this client in distress and would not have been able to help her. Our driver and deliverer were in the right place at the right time!

We express our sincere gratitude for the leadership and efforts of our Home-Delivered Meals program's devoted director, Ms. Esther Tashker; her dedicated, hard-working staff; and the program's primary funding sources — the NYC Department for the Aging (Hon. Lilliam Barrios-Paoli, commissioner) and Citymeals-on-Wheels (Marcia Stein, executive director) — for making the program possible. Special thanks to Esther and her staff for their excellent work these past few days in such difficult circumstances.

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