

JUANA AND VICTORIA S.**ADDRESS: SDEROT****Victim Story – April 2015**

Eduardo and Juana S. immigrated to Israel in 1989 and a few years later they moved to Sderot for work reasons. They have an adult daughter Victoria who suffers from schizophrenia and mild learning difficulty. Tragically, Eduardo passed away 3 years ago, leaving his elderly widow to take care of their disabled daughter.

In addition to their struggles to raise and support their disabled daughter, the S. family has known a lot financial hardship and stress during the last 12

years. After losing his job in 2003, Eduardo tried to become self-employed buying and selling toys at the Sderot market, but the decaying economy of a city under constant attacks caused him to eventually lose all of the family's modest savings and get into debts.

Although Eduardo managed to find a fairly stable job at a factory in 2006, he was laid off 4 years later at 64 years old because of his age. At about the same time Juana was working in a potato factory that closed down, which brought the family into a new crisis and instability. With only one year left before he could retire and be able to draw a modest income from the government, Eduardo was unable to find another job, as no one would hire him. While the family's income was almost non-existent, a Kassam hit 50 meters away from their home and it left their humble home with a broken kitchen sink, counter and cabinets.



The family became depressed and worried because of the financial situation, in addition to their concern for Victoria, their disabled adult daughter suffering from schizophrenia and mild learning difficulty. Tragically, Eduardo had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and dementia and he sadly passed away three years ago, leaving his widow without financial, emotional and practical support to take care of their disabled daughter.

Please prayerfully consider to show your love and care for Israel by adopting this precious family. If you and/or your congregation would like to help the S. family find The L-

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