



**Israel Guide
Dog Center**
מרכז ישראלי לכלבי נחיה

Meet Shelly & Vallery

How the Israel Guide Dog Center Transforms Lives

Shelly's Journey

At the age of 18, Shelley started losing her vision as a result of Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP).

Now, in her 40s, Shelly leads an active life with her husband and 10-year-old daughter in Holon. She loves connecting with people, which she does every day as a social worker helping blind young adults with life skills.

In June 2024, Shelly's Guide Dog, Diesel, unexpectedly passed away. After being independent for so long, she was suddenly thrown back to a time when she walked with a cane. Shelly's husband didn't know her without a Guide Dog. This was his first time seeing her truly struggle. After waiting only a few months, Shelly received a new dog from the Center. Shelly said, "when I was without a dog, I again suffered using a cane, Vallery saved me!"

Meet Vallery

Vallery is a female yellow lab, and Shelly's 3rd Guide Dog. Vallery has a lot of energy and is very playful when not working. She is a tremendous friend and partner.

Shelly says "Vallery is like me in so many ways: she is small, has a lot of energy, and a lot of love to give. We are a great match."

"I'm thankful for everything I have. I want everyone to know that having a Guide Dog changed my life!"

Transforming Lives, One Partnership at a Time

A person using a cane must find obstacles, while a guide dog simply avoids them. Those who choose to work with a Guide Dog often discover a new sense of freedom, an increased level of confidence, and a feeling of safety, along with the warm companionship of their new canine friend.

Help us continue changing lives like Shelly.
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