BCL By Columbia Group Kicks Off In 2025 Season In Grand Fashion!

he The Baltimore Chesed League kicked off its 2025 season on Sunday (2/23) in the new social hall at Suburban Orthodox Toras Chaim. The young men were provided with their league sweatshirts, expertly designed by Fired Up Promotions, and then enjoyed a delicious lunch of poppers and hot dogs, generously donated by the Knish Shop. (Special mention to kickoff sponsors: WesBanco and Israel Bonds.)

The official kick-off program opened with a beautiful message from

Rabbi Shmuel Kimche, assistant Rav of Ohel Moshe, who shared some meaningful words of chizuk and motivation with the boys. This was followed by a review of the league logistics and rules from the BCL Committee leadership.

With their souls inspired and

stomachs full, the BCL boys participated in a heartfelt mincha and then set off to their respective chesed activities for the day, eager to make a real difference in our community.

See below for some of the exciting chesed performed in Week 1.



Team **Quarry Orthodontics** learned all about the work that **Misaskim** does for the community. The boys helped clean out the van and organize the supplies to be ready for the next time Misaskim is needed.



Team **RenoSafe Homes** learned about the incredible work **Hatzalah of Baltimore** does for the community. The team built a nice amount of Hatzalah pushkas as well!



Team **Craft Sourdough** learned all about what **Chaverim of Baltimore** does and the chesed that these volunteers do on a daily basis. They learned how to change/plug tires, jump a car, and how to (legally) break into cars.



Team Keren Reva Costume Gemach kicked off their season this past Thursday night, packing boxes of Shabbos staples for delivery to families in need. The hard-working boys were rewarded with hot cholent and poppers from Knish Shop after a cold night on the loading dock.

Team Sage Ventures LLC helped sort and update the inventory supplies for Yitzchok's Toy Box Gemach, aspecial Gemach that provides therapy toys and supplies to children!



Team **Winner Insulation** did an amazing job cleaning the conference room at the Northwest Baltimore police station. The boys displayed superb middos and made a great Kiddush Hashem, thanking those who serve our community and help us stay safe!



Team Kove Group dazzled residents of Aventura at The Heights with lively music, dance, and mesmerizing card tricks.





Team Heideman Design had an amazing time setting up takeaway meal packages for K'hal Bais Nosson and cleaning up the shul! The boys also got to see a Gemara from the 1700's and a very old Sefer Torah.



Team **Pit Stop Tire Shop** had a great time helping out at **NCSY**. They cataloged siddurim and benchers, prepared mailings and took a tour of their offices.



Team **HESP Solar** had a great time grabbing trash up and down Park Heights and helping to beautify our Shuls and **CHAI** neighborhoods.



Team Kelemer Brothers Replacement Windows had a blast learning about and helping with the shaimos!