

## Jewish Federation of Ocean County Impact

Here is one example of how supporters of JDC, such as the Jewish Federation of Ocean County, helped bring care, connection, and holiday spirit to vulnerable older adults in Ukraine for the New Year.



### A Sweet Reminder Before the New Year

Ahead of Rosh Hashanah, thanks to Federation partnership, JDC volunteers across Ukraine are turning summer fruit into something even sweeter: a reminder to vulnerable older adults that their Jewish community is there for them. Through the **Good Jam Day** campaign, volunteers in Rivne are transforming pears into jars of golden jam, while volunteers in Mykolaiv are preparing apricot, black currant, and cherry jams, and in Kremenchuk community members Sofia and Pavlo donated the apples from their garden to be turned into fragrant jam. Each jar will be delivered to elderly community members as a holiday gift—a small but meaningful expression of connection and Jewish tradition.

***“During the preparation process, we combine modern technology with our grandmothers’ time-tested recipes. This is how our jam is made – preserving natural flavor, the comfort of home, and the best traditions. Every jar will be a symbol of care and will remind our elders that they are not alone,”***



***“Such simple acts remind us that kindness begins with the desire to share. Every apple and every jar of jam become a symbol of care, generosity, and unity among people ready to support one another. Thank you to all the volunteers who have joined Good Jam Day. Together, we’re giving the gift of warmth in a jar and making the world a little kinder.”***

