

## Summary

The council is made up of a variety of rural communities - kibbutzim, moshavim, and community villages - located in excellent proximity to Be'er Sheva. Each community has its own unique character, and therefore each community should be contacted individually to explore integration options.

## Main Opportunities

Proximity to Be'er Sheva - 15–25 min. | Attractive rural communities | Established physicians' community

## Local Assets

Diverse communities, proximity to Be'er Sheva, rural lifestyle, high-quality kibbutz/rural education, and attractive communities that already draw physicians.

## Future Plans

Information regarding future construction planning - and especially future integration opportunities - should be checked directly with each community.

## Additional Services

Rural-sector education - regional elementary schools that bring together children from kibbutzim and moshavim | The high school serves students from all communities | Most early childhood systems are kibbutz-based | Structured and selective integration processes | A wide variety of community types - religious, secular, mixed, different age ranges, and varying levels of kibbutz-style communal life

## Tax Benefit

7%–12% | Varies by community | Most communities are eligible for tax benefits

## Travel Times to Medical Centers

Soroka Medical Center: 20–30 min. | Be'er Sheva Mental Health Center: 20–30 min. | ADI Negev: 25–35 min. | Barzilai Medical Center: 35–40 min.

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## **Message to Physicians**

Each community is unique, with its own characteristics, rules, and motivation to welcome new residents. Therefore, each community represents a different opportunity and should be approached individually. Quite a few physicians already live in Bnei Shimon - which likely indicates that it is an attractive place for them, even without specific efforts made to draw them there. The proximity of attractive rural communities to Be'er Sheva is probably the key.

## **Communities with physicians:**

Kramim, Mishmar HaNegev, GiVot Bar, and Shoval.

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