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Grant aids immigrants

The Israel Free Loan Association, a 2-year-old organization that aids immigrants from Ethiopia and the former Soviet Union, has received a \$40,000 grant from the Everett Foundation of New York to cover operating and overhead expenses. The grant marks the 40th wedding anniversary of philanthropists **Henry and Edith Everett**.

The independent association, based in Jerusalem, was founded by **Eliezer Jaffe**, a Cleveland native and professor of social welfare at Hebrew University. Supported by foundation grants and private contributions, the association provides some 200 interest-free loans a month, with \$2 million in circulation.

Loans help immigrants pay for such expenses as medical care, rent and starting small businesses. One Russian family paid for a tombstone for a child victim of crib death.