



Rabbinic Wedding Officiation with IKAR

Mazal tov! We are honored to share this special moment in your lives, and look forward to making this a wonderful, fulfilling experience for both of you.

We look forward to our meetings together, which will be a great opportunity for us to get to know one another, as individuals and as a couple. Our meetings will be a combination of spiritual counseling, logistical preparation for the huppah and learning. In addition to our meetings, we recommend that you look into [Marriage: For Life/The Partnership Project at the American Jewish University](#). Many couples have found their classes to be beneficial to their relationship.

Regarding payment/contribution, for IKAR members getting married in Los Angeles there is no fee— it is our honor to celebrate life cycles with you. We are grateful for contributions to IKAR in honor of your wedding – most couples contribute between \$1000-\$3600 to the [Rabbi's Discretionary Fund](#). If your wedding is outside Los Angeles area (e.g.: requires more than an hour of travel), the rabbinic officiant fee is \$1000, plus travel and accommodations. Payment should go directly to the rabbi you are working with, and we are of course grateful for a contribution to IKAR or the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund in addition. We know that weddings can become exorbitant - if this is more than you can afford, please let us know and we'll work to find something that is manageable.

Planning a wedding is never easy. We are here to help – please do not hesitate to be in touch by emailing 411@ikar.org.

We look forward to celebrating with you -

Rabbi Sharon Brous
Rabbi Morris Panitz
Rabbi Deborah Silver
Rabbi Hannah Jensen