

## SAM SLUSHER AWARD

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### RABBI BARUCH HECHT

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Rabbi Baruch Hecht was born and raised in a Chabad family doing outreach in southern California. He and his wife Mooka have four children. They moved to Dallas in 2015 to help run The Intown Chabad.

Volunteering is something both he and his wife have been doing since a young age so helping run iVolunteer, a volunteer program of the The Intown Chabad was right up their alley. From volunteering time at soup kitchens, visiting Holocaust survivors and seniors, or spending time with people with special needs, they have helped organize volunteering where needed.

COVID-19 affected the entire world, putting everyone at risk, especially the senior community. Seeing them being isolated from their community and their loved ones, Baruch and iVolunteer wanted to help and reached out to the JCC to see what they can do. Since then, they have helped in meal distribution, writing letters, emails, and FaceTime with the seniors in our community to make sure they knew and felt they were not alone.