A SUMMARY OF PROGRAMMATIC INFORMATION FOR IRUSA DONORS

RAMADAN REPORT

ISLAMIC RELIEF USA

YOUR AID
THEIR RELIEF

UPDATED MAY 2019
MISSION
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VISION
Working together for a world free of poverty.

VALUES
Our actions in tailoring projects are marked by excellence in our operations and conduct, which the people we serve deserve.

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IRUSA MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES

THE ISLAMIC RELIEF FAMILY CONSISTS OF AFFILATE AND FIELD OFFICES ALL AROUND THE WORLD:

Afghanistan Albania Algeria
Albania Australia Bangladesh
Bangladesh Belgium Bosnia and Herzegovina
Bosnia and Herzegovina Canada Chad
Chad Chechnya China
China Colombia Côte d’Ivoire
Côte d’Ivoire Democratic Republic of the Congo
Democratic Republic of the Congo Denmark
Denmark Djibouti
Djibouti Dominica
Dominica Dominican Republic
Dominican Republic Ecuador
Ecuador Eritrea
Eritrea Estonia
Estonia Ethiopia
Ethiopia Fiji
Fiji Finland
Finland France
France Germany
Germany Greece
Greece Grenada
Grenada Guatemala
Guatemala Guinea
Guinea Guinea-Bissau
Guinea-Bissau Guyana
Guyana Haiti
Haiti Honduras
Honduras Hong Kong
Hong Kong Hungary
Hungary India
India Indonesia
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Iraq Ireland
Ireland Israel
Israel Italy
Italy Japan
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Jordan Kenya
Kenya Korea, South
Korea, South Korea, North
Korea, North Kuwait
Kuwait Kyrgyzstan
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Lesotho Liberia
Liberia Libya
Libya Liechtenstein
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Luxembourg Malaysia
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Oman Pakistan
Pakistan Palau
Palau Panama
Panama Papua New Guinea
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Paraguay Peru
Peru Philippines
Philippines Pakistan
Pakistan Portugal
Portugal Qatar
Qatar Romania
Romania Russian Federation
Russian Federation Rwanda
Rwanda Samoa
Samoa Saudi Arabia
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Singapore Slovakia
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United States Uruguay
Uruguay Uzbekistan
Uzbekistan Vanuatu
Vanuatu Vatican City
Vatican City Venezuela
Venezuela Viet Nam
Viet Nam Yemen
Yemen Zambia
Zambia Zimbabwe
Zimbabwe
For 26 years and counting, generous donors have enabled the Islamic Relief USA family to help to relieve the suffering of our sisters and brothers in humanity.

During the month of Ramadan, this work increases because of the increased generosity of donors. From Ramadan food packages, to zakat, to fidya and kaffara, aid given in Ramadan blesses families in need across the world and in the United States.

Your aid is their relief. Thank you.

The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said:

“Ramadan has come to you. It is a month of blessings, in which Allah covers you with blessings, for He sends down Mercy, decreases sins, and answers prayers. In it, Allah looks at your competition in good deeds, and boasts about you to His angels. So show Allah goodness from yourselves, for the unfortunate one is he who is deprived in this month of the mercy of Allah, the Mighty, the Exalted.”

[Imam Tabarani]
The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said, “He is not a believer whose stomach is filled while his neighbor goes hungry.”

Sharing nutritious food with a person in need is one of the core components of Islam, and of Islamic Relief.

Each year, Islamic Relief USA donors send Ramadan food packages to struggling families around the world. The goal is to improve food security during this month for impoverished families, refugees and other displaced families, and other vulnerable groups and communities.

Food packages serve as an important supplement to the nutritional staples available to families in need, which may be limited.

All the food items are purchased through the local markets to help the local economy. The food items vary from country to country depending on local diet, but they include staple foods such as rice, flour, beans, and oil. Package weights vary by country, but typically they weigh almost 60 pounds.

**IN 2019, ISLAMIC RELIEF USA AIMS TO PROVIDE 2.5 MILLION POUNDS OF FOOD TO HELP SUPPLEMENT THE DIETS OF PEOPLE IN 35 COUNTRIES.**

**MEALS REACH 300,000+ PEOPLE IN RAMADAN**

Annual Ramadan food packages provide relief to families grappling with poverty during the blessed month of mercy. In 2018, the compassion of donors funded food for over a quarter of a million people in 34 countries.

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*Syrian refugees were served in the numbers reported for these countries. The line that reads “Syrian refugees” is the number of Syrian refugees served inside Turkey.

**FEED A FAMILY WITH YOUR FIDYA OR KAFFARA DONATION**

If you’re unable to fast, Islamic Relief USA can accept your fidya and kaffara donations and provide food for people in need on your behalf. Fidya and kaffara donations help pay for food packages and can reach many people. To learn more, visit IRUSA.ORG/RAMADAN.
In Somaliland, Amran sits in a wheelchair to the side of the distribution site where families are waiting to get their Ramadan food packages. She has lived with her disability since she was just 3 years old, when she got sick with polio.

Amran’s husband is a laborer, but there’s so little work where they live. They regularly have a difficult time affording food. Their humble home is made of metal sheets, with no electricity or running water. They have to buy water from local trucks.

Sometimes neighbors are able to help them, but daily life is a struggle. When Ramadan arrives, fasting is difficult in the heat, especially with such little food and water to sustain them.

To Amran and her family, the Ramadan food package means so much.

Amran said, “We can actually have meals! We can have suhoor, and make sambusa for iftar.”

She knows Islamic Relief very well in Somaliland, and commented, “You’re one of the only ones that help us.”

Finally, Amran also shared a special message to the IRUSA donors who made her relief possible:

“First of all, we pray for you. Thanks be to Allah (SWT), Alhamdulillah—and thanks to the people who remember us during Ramadan and give us food. Please, help more poor families in Ramadan.”

During Ramadan, many Islamic Relief USA donors give zakat to support work for people who qualify under Islamic principles: the poor, the needy, travelers—in this case, refugees and other displaced families.

In the United States, zakat funds are distributed through partner mosques and organizations nationwide. These partners know the local residents and can confirm their eligibility.

In other countries around the world, zakat funds support projects benefiting families and communities that share food, water, health care, education, and secure livelihoods.

ZAKAT AL-FITR

Zakat al-Fitr is paid by the head of the household for each member of the family, before Eid al-Fitr prayer. Zakat al-Fitr is about the price of one meal—estimated at $10. IRUSA collects and distributes your zakat al-fitr to feed those who are most in need, in accordance with Islamic guidelines.

“Establish prayer and give zakat, and whatever good you put forward for yourselves—you will find it with Allah; surely Allah sees what you do.”

[Qur’an 2:110]
Improving Health and Wellness in Baltimore
JANUARY 2018 - PRESENT

This project will help 5,000 people. IRUSA zakat funds were used to help expand the health clinic of the Islamic Society of Baltimore by increasing the services to meet the needs of low-income patients, expanding the population served, and improving the patient experience through ongoing programs.

Integrated Support Program in Kenya
MAY 2017 - PRESENT

This project will help 41,755 people.

Zakat funds help the members of this Falls Church, VA, community who are mainly new refugees and immigrants in dire need of financial assistance, employment, and case management support. The funded program is a critical step in leading them toward self-sufficiency.

Social Service Program at Dar al-Hijrah Mosque
JANUARY 2018 - PRESENT

This project will help 1,862 people.

Thousands of flood survivors were provided with emergency relief materials such as hygiene kits, temporary shelter kits, kitchen sets, and clean water. The distribution reached the community’s most vulnerable individuals, such as widows, individuals with disabilities, and individuals with chronic illnesses.

Bihar Flood Response in India
DECEMBER 2017 - MARCH 2018

This project helped 25,299 people.

As part of a holistic program to support healthcare, education, and water in Gannissa county, Islamic Relief USA is installing and rehabilitating solar pumps, deep water wells, water reservoirs and pipelines. That means thousands will have access to low cost water, and they’re also receiving training in water system and facility management.

Using zakat funds, IRUSA supported a sewing academy at the Dar-Al Hijrah mosque in Falls Church, VA. Dozens of students have graduated from the successful program.

Islamic Relief USA launched the program in 2014 via a $10,000 grant. Graduates invest 100+ hours of their time to receive training on consumer and commercial-grade sewing machines.

The graduates often wear dresses they make themselves to the graduation, but they view the experience as something beyond just clothes:

“We all became friends,” Dawia, 38, of Algeria said. She and classmate Hanadi from Sudan viewed the class as a family that offered social, economical, psychological, and educational development. They credit their instructor, Fatima, for fostering sisterly bonds while growing skills.

Ieasha Prime, director of women’s programs at Dar-Al Hijrah, said the sewing academy is an example of a program that empowers women to be “stronger, more powerful, and competent.”

The academy’s impact on self-esteem and marketable skills is a beautiful example of the power of zakat.

Each graduate received a certificate and a Singer Start 1304 sewing machine.
ARE YOU THE SPONSOR AN ORPHAN IS WAITING FOR?

The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) told us, “Myself and the one who cares for an orphan will be together in Paradise like this,” and he held his two fingers together.

[Bukhari]

Ramadan reminds us to care for the orphan children in our communities. IRUSA donors are currently supporting tens of thousands of children in nearly two dozen countries around the world.

Sadly, over 1,900 orphans in 12 countries have lost their IRUSA sponsors and await new ones. IRUSA makes sure to provide support in the interim, but the need to find new, long-term sponsors is dire.

IRUSA’s loving community has been caring for orphans since the organization’s founding. These sponsorships have been a lifeline to children, and a chance at a better future. Now, IRUSA has begun focusing on a different kind of orphan support—projects that extend critical services to entire communities full of orphans and vulnerable children. In these programs, instead of each donor’s contribution going to one single orphan, they go toward community-wide services like vocational training, free education, and more. By donating to these support programs, you can uplift entire communities.

YOU HELPED SUPPORT ORPHANS FROM THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES IN 2018:

AFGHANISTAN ALBANIA BANGLADESH BOSNIA CHAD CHECHNYA ETHIOPIA INDIA INDONESIA IRAQ JORDAN KENYA KOSOVO LEBANON MALAWI MALI NIGER PAKISTAN PALESTINE SOMALIA SOUTH AFRICA SRI LANKA SYRIA TUNISIA YEMEN

*Syrian refugees in countries other than Syria

Over 10 years, the number of orphans sponsored by IRUSA donors more than doubled.


0 1K 2K 3K 4K 5K 6K 7K 8K 9K 10K 11K 12K 13K 14K 15K 16K 17K 18K 19K 20K 21K 22K

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WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BETTER WORLD
The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said:

“The best charity is giving water to drink.”

[Ahmad]

Together, we can change this. IRUSA’s water and sanitation programs are bringing innovative solutions to communities suffering from a lack of clean water. Read more on the next pages.
WATER AND SANITATION PROGRAMS

Life-Saving Support to Myanmar Refugees in Bangladesh
AUGUST 2018 - PRESENT
This project will help 40,000 people.
As part of this holistic program, IRUSA donors are sending emergency water supplies to refugee encampments in Bangladesh. This allows for families to use clean water for cooking, drinking, and bathing. The project also significantly rehabilitates latrines, includes gender advising, and conducts hygiene trainings.

Emergency Cholera Response in Yemen
OCTOBER 2017 - PRESENT
This project will help over 40,000 people.
Islamic Relief USA is installing solar water systems, pumps, tap stands, and rehabilitating a water reservoir for livestock. IRUSA has also previously provided emergency rapid response cleansing supplies to individuals affected by cholera, along with medicine. Germ-safe water containers known as jerry cans were given to households for water storage, along with chlorine tablets to purify water up to six months.

NEW PROGRAM INVESTMENTS FOR 2018: $1,544,346
*WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE PROGRAMS. SHOWS ONLY DATA FOR PROGRAMS REPORTED IN YEAR 2018 AND DOES NOT REFLECT FULL SCOPE OF ALL PROJECTS/COUNTRIES.

PALESTINE 40,201
MALAWI 20,806
TUNISIA 12,961
YEMEN 10,500
KENYA 7,942
CHAD 6,148
MALI 1,743
NEPAL 1,053

YOUR AID HAS MEANT WORLDWIDE WATER RELIEF* FOR PEOPLE IN...

Food Security Enhancement & Poverty Alleviation in Niger
MARCH 2017 - PRESENT
This project will help 4,474 people.
In response to drought, IRUSA donors enhanced food security in five villages in the Ouallum district through water conservation training and water system development. Four deep water wells were constructed, along with gender-balanced infrastructure committees and women-led gardens. Now in the same region, land for cash crops and 10 fishing ponds are being installed. Drought-resistant seeds are being distributed, along with training for farmers, fishermen, and fish sellers who are all women. These vital projects will directly alleviate food insecurity and poverty.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name (First & Last)
Address
City      State  Zip
Home Phone     Cell
Email

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WHERE MOST NEEDED

ZAKAT
WATER GENERAL
ORPHAN SUPPORT
SADAQAH
OTHER

AMOUNT

ONE-TIME PAYMENT

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MONTHLY PAYMENT

DIRECT WITHDRAWAL

BANK INFORMATION

ACCOUNT NUMBER
ROUTING NUMBER

CREDIT CARD

EXPIRATION DATE (MM/YY)

SIGNATURE

PLEDGE

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO ISLAMIC RELIEF USA OR USE THIS FORM IF YOU PREFER TO USE YOUR CREDIT CARD.

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