



ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM POLICY STATEMENT

Important Information – Please Read Carefully

Effective August 1, 2019

Islamic Relief USA (IRUSA) recognizes the special responsibility and duty of care to create a safe environment for children. IRUSA's mission, vision, and Code of Ethics state the organization's commitment to fulfilling the rights and respecting the dignity of each person, including children, regardless of color, race, religion, or creed. Islamic Relief USA recognizes the need for strict child protection policies and procedures, and the need to ensure that they are implemented throughout our humanitarian responses, thereby safeguarding children in all areas of our work. The Orphan Sponsorship guidelines detailed below are in place to ensure the safety and welfare of vulnerable orphans and offer them protection from exploitation or abuse.

- The location (country) and first name of a child will be withheld until the sponsor has been identified. Islamic Relief will never publish or make public the last name, address, telephone number or e-mail contact of any of the children or their families.
- Sponsorship is based on the agreement that sponsors will not attempt to contact the orphan or their family by any means without the specific permission of Islamic Relief USA.
- Sponsorship may be cancelled if a donor does not comply with program policies and procedures or if they display behavior towards Islamic Relief USA staff that is deemed inappropriate or fail to disclose any criminal activity or safeguarding allegations made against them.
- The sponsor and orphan are free to exchange correspondence via Islamic Relief USA, however, all postal material must conform to Islamic Relief's policy.
- Photographs and other data posted on the website or shared with the sponsor are for the purpose of supplying potential sponsors with relevant information about the Orphan Sponsorship Program. The information and photographs may not be downloaded, copied or replicated without the express permission of Islamic Relief USA. (The sponsor is welcome to engage with IRUSA's Social Media platforms. If you recognize that a shared case study or story features the orphan you sponsor, you are permitted to share that post with your social media networks barring any further manipulation of the content.)
- Name, location, photographs, and any other report related material may not be disseminated publicly or on social media platforms by sponsors or any persons who gain access to orphan related materials.

We are confident that sponsors share our concern for the safety and wellbeing of the orphans we serve and will cooperate towards this aim.



Dear orphan sponsor,

Welcome to the orphan sponsorship program! May Allah reward you for caring for an orphan.
HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US:

ISLAMIC RELIEF USA

ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP GUIDE

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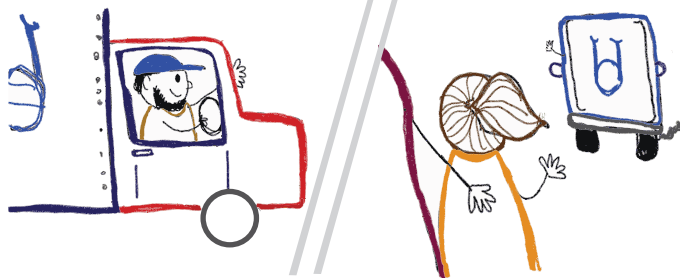
First, you receive an initial report about the orphan you will be sponsoring.

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Your support will be transmitted to this orphan's guardian quarterly, enabling the guardian to purchase the things the child needs most.

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Staff members in the orphan's country check on each child during the year.

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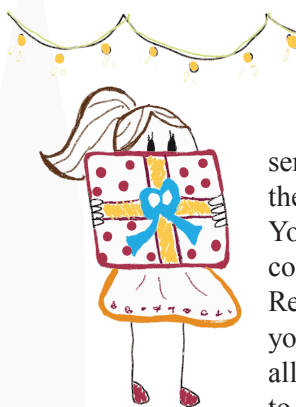
Local staff members prepare an annual report for you, to be delivered **12-15 MONTHS** from the date of sponsorship. Regardless of whether your report is complete yet, we will contact you in 12 months, *insha'Allah*. If you choose to cancel your sponsorship after 12 months and you haven't received your annual report yet, you may contact us to receive your report.

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If you pay monthly, ***your sponsorship will continue until you cancel it.*** If you pay annually, we will speak with you for permission to charge you again next year.

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As a sponsor, you can send monetary gifts for Eid to the orphan you are sponsoring. You are also free to exchange correspondence via Islamic Relief USA with the orphan you are sponsoring, however, all postal material must confirm to Islamic Relief's policy. To learn more, connect with IRUSA's Orphan Services and Stewardship team.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE ORPHAN SERVICES AND STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT WITH ANY QUESTIONS:

PHONE:

MAIL:

EMAIL:

We hope you will find your sponsorship rewarding. **Jazak Allahu khair for your commitment to look after the wellbeing of an orphan**, following in the footsteps of our beloved Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

Sincerely,