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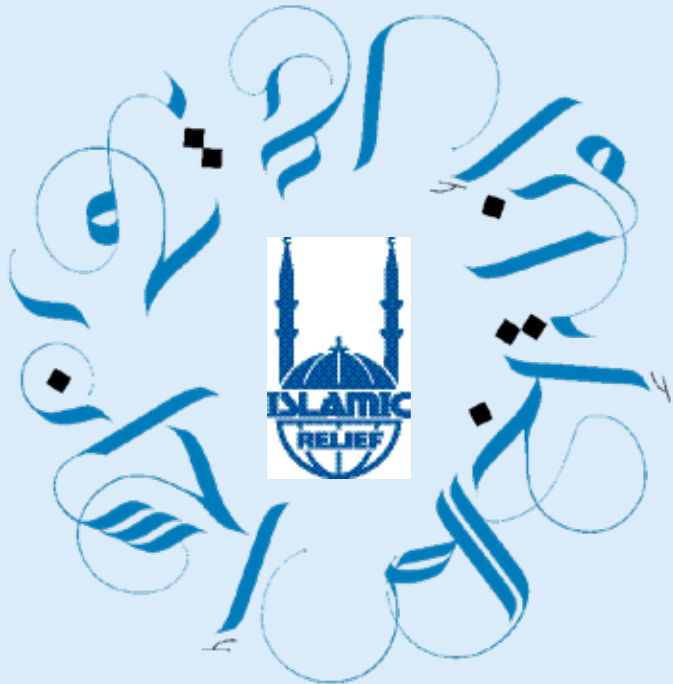


ISLAMIC RELIEF USA

RAMADAN REPORT

A SUMMARY OF PROGRAMMATIC INFORMATION FOR IRUSA DONORS

IRUSA MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES



MISSION

Islamic Relief USA provides relief and development in a dignified manner regardless of gender, race, or religion, and works to empower individuals in their communities and give them a voice in the world.

VISION

Working together for a world free of poverty.

VALUES

إِسْمَان
E X C E L L E N C E

Our actions in tackling poverty are marked by excellence in our operations and conduct, which the people we serve deserve.

إِصْص
S I N C E R I T Y

In responding to suffering, our efforts are driven by sincerity and a need to fulfill our obligations.

رَحْمَة
C O M P A S S I O N

We believe the protection and well-being of every life is of paramount importance and we shall join with other humanitarians to act as one in responding to suffering brought on by disasters, poverty, and injustice.

أَمَارَة
C U S T O D I A N S H I P

We uphold the dignity of every human over the Earth, its people, and the role of human practitioners.

عَدْل
S O C I A L J U S T I C E

Our work is founded on enabling people and institutions to fulfill the rights of the poor and vulnerable. We work to empower the dispossessed towards realizing their God-given human potential and developing their capabilities and resources.

MAP OF ISLAMIC RELIEF WORLDWIDE

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

ISLAMIC RELIEF AFFILIATE AND FIELD OFFICES IN THESE COUNTRIES SUPPORT AND IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS

Afghanistan	India	Mauritius	South Sudan
Albania	Indonesia	Myanmar	Spain
Australia	Iraq	Nepal	Sri Lanka
Bangladesh	Ireland	Netherlands	Sudan
Belgium	Italy	Niger	Sweden
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Jordan	Norway	Switzerland
	Kenya	Pakistan	Tunisia
Canada	Kosovo	Palestine	Turkey
Chechnya	Lebanon	Philippines	United Kingdom
China	Malawi	Singapore	United States
Ethiopia	Malaysia	Somalia	Yemen
Germany	Mali	South Africa	

THE IR FAMILY HAS SUPPORTED HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS IN THESE COUNTRIES IN A LIMITED SCOPE

Algeria	Djibouti	Japan	Mexico	Sierra Leone
Benin	Ecuador	Kyrgyzstan	Morocco	Swaziland
Burkina Faso	Egypt	Lesotho	Mozambique	Syria
Central African Republic	Ghana	Liberia	New Zealand	Uganda
	Haiti	Libya	Nigeria	Zambia
Colombia	Iran	Madagascar	Peru	Zimbabwe

NURTURING FAMILIES IN NEED IN RAMADAN

YOU SHARED RAMADAN FOOD PACKAGES WITH OVER
248,617 PEOPLE IN 30 COUNTRIES IN 2020

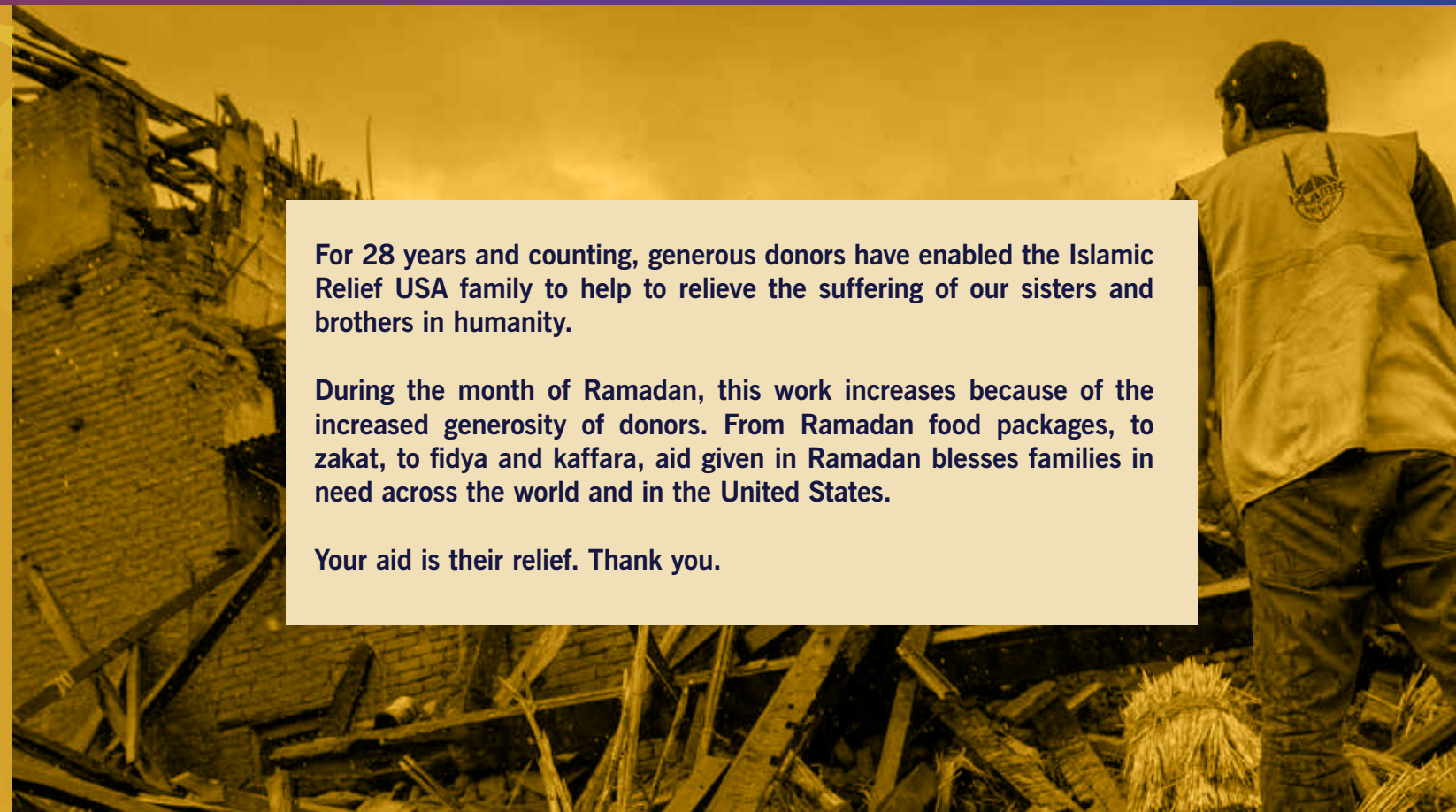


The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said:

“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]

DONORS CREATE DECADES OF RELIEF



For 28 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.

...AND YOUR ZAKAT REACHED FAMILIES IN OVER 30 COUNTRIES!

SHARING FOOD WITH FAMILIES FACING HUNGER

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 2021, ISLAMIC RELIEF USA
AIMS TO PROVIDE OVER
**4 MILLION
POUNDS OF FOOD**
TO HELP SUPPLEMENT THE
DIETS OF PEOPLE IN
28 COUNTRIES,
AND OVER
**700,000 POUNDS
OF FOOD IN THE
UNITED STATES.**



MEALS REACH 186,033 PEOPLE IN RAMADAN

MEALS DISTRIBUTED IN 2020
AROUND THE WORLD:
**32,503 FOOD BOXES AND VOUCHERS;
2,169,351.11 LBS DISTRIBUTED***

*not including food vouchers in 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](https://www.irusa.org/ramadan).

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A WELL MAKES

Binta is a proud wife and mother of 2 growing boys who lives in the village of Sédiébougou. Before the water system project took place in their village, there were only 2 accessible Human Motor Pumps (hand pump water systems). Both of the pumps went out of service in an 8 month span, leaving countless families out of clean water. Binta said, “In the morning as soon as I would wake up, I’d run to fetch water only for drinking and cooking. Although I went out early, I could spend two hours there alone and because of this my family members used to eat late. The process of just getting water caused me to rarely have time to look after my children. Once I had tears in my eyes when I came to find one of my sons very sick and suffering from a stomach ache, that day I spent the whole day without eating.”

Building a resource for clean water in their village was a tremendous success and led to an easing of stress for hundreds of families. “Alhamdulillah today, I am overjoyed because I have enough water for my needs. Thank God. There is a standpipe just 10 meters from my house. Thanks to Islamic-Relief, water-borne diseases have disappeared in Sédiébougou.”



ZAKAT: MERCY IN ACTION

“And 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]

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.



YOUR ZAKAT IN ACTION

RECENT PROJECTS SUPPORTED IN PART
BY ZAKAT FUNDS



Greenhouses for vulnerable populations in Bosnia

NOVEMBER 2020 - PRESENT

This project will help 5,000 people.

Reinforce the efforts of the MoH to conduct an emergency intervention to minimize the spread of the virus within the country, limit the impact of the second wave and save lives of patients that need ICU support. Partners are receiving emergency medical items such as ICU beds, respiratory machines, medical aspirators, modular monitors, and electric syringes pumps.

The project will also support ElHamma hospital (the location of the initial second wave hotspot and ongoing high caseload) with laboratory equipment to support with COVID-19 sample testing. ElHamma does not have an ICU facility but refers cases in need to other facilities as required.

Emergency Response Food Vouchers

OCTOBER 2020 - NOVEMBER 2020

This project served 16,556 people.

Islamic Relief USA provided critical food aid to food insecure families and individuals living in Gaza who are experiencing one of the worst food shortages in the world. Partners within the community work closely with local partners throughout the process, including in the selection of beneficiaries that are facing acute need. After identifying vendors/supermarkets in each area, partners distribute vouchers to family beneficiaries to buy their own grocery items as per their needs.

BALKISSA BELIEVES



The village of Dabr  is located 25 kilometers from the municipality of Ouallam. In 2019, the winter went very badly, it was the worst for the community in the last 10 years. Women and men of the village migrated to the big cities to get by. Balkissa is one of those who decided to stay.

“My name is Balkissa, I have been divorced for 6 years and care for 3 of my children. For all this time, I have been the sole breadwinner of my family, including my children and my mother who lives with me. My husband has remarried and no longer takes care of his children. I am a farmer during the winter period.”

Balkissa gained entry into the women’s empowerment program and pushed herself constantly to make the best of it. “Since December 2019, I am a beneficiary of the project funded by Islamic Relief. I was able to have access to several training sessions in associative life and in management techniques.

It helped me understand the importance of teaming up with other women to help each other,” She, like many others, has committed turning her situation 180 degrees. Balkissa believes that the program can affect a great amount of other women near her. She mentioned, “I cannot thank Islamic Relief enough for making a positive change in my life in a very short time, through the application of the advice given to me. I even hope God will become a focal point for aspects of community life in my village in order to get the attention of women from time to time. I am sure that in this way we will make a difference while staying at home.”



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.



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.

IN 2020, DONORS
HELPED SPONSOR
24,654
ORPHANS



**The Prophet Muhammad
(SAW) said:**

“The best charity is giving
water to drink.”

[Ahmad]

129 COUNTRIES
ARE NOT ON TRACK TO HAVE
SUSTAINABLY MANAGED WATER
RESOURCES BY 2030

1 IN 3 PEOPLE
DON'T HAVE ACCESS
TO A TOILET



2.3 BILLION
PEOPLE LIVE IN
WATER-STRESSED
COUNTRIES

4.2 BILLION PEOPLE
LACK SAFELY MANAGED
SANITATION SERVICES

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.

**MORE THAN
297,000 CHILDREN
UNDER AGE 5**

DIE ANNUALLY FROM DIARRHOEAL
DISEASES DUE TO POOR SANITATION,

POOR HYGIENE, OR UNSAFE

DRINKING WATER



**ACHIEVING
UNIVERSAL ACCESS
TO SAFELY MANAGED
SANITATION
BY 2030 WILL
REQUIRE A FOUR-
FOLD INCREASE IN
CURRENT RATES OF
PROGRESS**

WATER IS LIFE



WATER AND SANITATION PROGRAMS

Empowering Local Communities Through Integrated Interventions in Mandera and Wajir Kenya DECEMBER 2020 - JUNE 2022

This project will help 14,200 people.

This project is empowering vulnerable rural communities through integrated interventions in WASH, education, economic empowerment and peace-building. It also supports the rehabilitation of solar-powered water resources and also delivers training to community members on proper maintenance of them. Another feature was sanitation support including things such as toilets for disabled community members, hygiene education, disposable toiletries. Residents are also assisted in furthering agricultural needs and small businesses.

Caring Communities for Children OCTOBER 2020 - OCTOBER 2023

This project will help 25,000 people.

Islamic Relief is supporting local partners in livelihood opportunity development, and water and sanitation support for child centered wellbeing of poor families living in Rawalpindi District in Pakistan. It is installing small water filter plants as well as identifying and training 100 community members to focus on addressing water and sanitation issues.

Integrated Livelihood and Protection for Empowering Community in Zomba District JANUARY 2020 - JULY 2021

This project will help over 2,275 people.

Integrated Livelihood and Protection for Empowering Community (ILPEC) in T/A Malemia, Zomba District, Malawi, is working to contribute to improve food security, income and resilience of vulnerable rural farming households who have been severely impacted by frequent flood and drought hazards. The proposed project will focus on livelihood and protection of the vulnerable. The project will increase agricultural productivity and availability of food for 450 farmers and Improved knowledge and skills in integrated and sustainable farming activities.

IN 2020,
DONORS LIKE YOU
HELPED BRING
CLEAN WATER TO
430,634
PEOPLE
AROUND THE
WORLD.

\$ NEW PROGRAM INVESTMENTS FOR 2021: \$6,085,101.06



REGISTRATION FORM

TABLE: _____

Name (First & Last)

Address

City State Zip

Home Phone Cell

Email

How did you hear about this event? (please circle)

website • social media • friends • phone • email • other

☐ No, please do not send me mail from Islamic Relief USA regarding programs, events, and emergencies.

☐ No, please do not send me emails from Islamic Relief USA regarding programs, events, and emergencies.

☐ Yes, this is my first time attending an IRUSA event.

☐ Yes, I would like to be contacted about volunteering opportunities.



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IRUSA.ORG/STOCK-DONATIONS

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DONATION FORM

1

WHERE MOST NEEDED \$ _____

ZAKAT _ _ _ _ _ \$ _____

WATER GENERAL _ _ _ _ _ \$ _____

ORPHAN SUPPORT _ _ _ _ _ \$ _____

SADAQAH _ _ _ _ _ \$ _____

OTHER _ _ _ _ _ \$ _____

FUND INFORMATION

2

Name (First & Last)

Email Phone

☐ **ONE-TIME PAYMENT** **ONE-TIME AMOUNT \$** _____ Write amount from section 1

☐ **MONTHLY PAYMENT** To enroll for monthly withdrawal please fill out bank information or credit card information

START DATE: ____ / ____ / ____ END DATE: ____ / ____ / ____ **MONTHLY AMOUNT \$** _____ Write amount from section 1

If no end date is specified you will be enrolled into our lifetime giving program

PLEASE COMPLETE AND MAIL TO ISLAMIC RELIEF, P.O. BOX 22250, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22304

YOUR DONATIONS TO ISLAMIC RELIEF USA ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE (TAX ID #95-4453134).

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☐ **DIRECT WITHDRAWAL** **BANK INFORMATION** BANK _____ **SIGNATURE** _____

ACCOUNT NUMBER _____ ROUTING NUMBER _____

☐ **CREDIT CARD** ☐ ☐ ☐ **EXPIRATION DATE (MM/YY)** ____ / ____

CARD # _____ CVV # _____ **SIGNATURE** _____

TYPE OF PAYMENT

☐ **PLEDGE** PLEDGE TO BE FULFILLED BY: ____ / ____ / ____

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

Please fill out personal information to receive a receipt for tax form purposes.

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