QURBANI REPORT
A SUMMARY OF PROGRAMMATIC INFORMATION FOR IRUSA DONORS
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

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

In responding to poverty and suffering, our efforts are driven by sincerity to God and the need to fulfill our obligations to humanity.

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.

We uphold our duty of custodianship over the Earth, its resources, and the trust people place in us as humanitarian and development practitioners.

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

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Zambia
Zimbabwe

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The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said:

“Whoever offers a sacrifice after the prayer has completed their rituals (of Eid) and has followed the way of the Muslims.”

[Al-Bukhari]

On Eid al-Adha, sharing meat with people in need—known as giving Qurbani or Udhiyah—is an important Islamic tradition. Udhiyah is an Arabic word and Qurbani is an Urdu/Persian word derived from Arabic. They both connote the meaning of sacrifice, or an act done for the pleasure of Allah (SWT). By doing so, donors commemorate the sacrifice of Ibrahim (AS) and Ismail (AS) while providing nutritious food for hungry families.

For more than 25 years, Islamic Relief USA has been working to relieve the suffering of our sisters and brothers in humanity, and Qurbani is our biggest single food-sharing program. For many people who receive this gift, it’s the only meat they’ll eat all year.
Nearly half of all deaths in children under 5-years-old are due to undernutrition—that’s about 3 million children every year. For many impoverished families, meat remains unaffordable. This results in gaps in nutrition that contribute to health conditions such as anemia. Sharing meat on Eid is more than a special treat—it’s an important nutritional boost. Our recipients remember this gift all year.
YOU SHARED QURBANI WITH 295,838 PEOPLE ACROSS THE GLOBE IN 2021

TOTAL QURBANI INVESTMENT IN 2021: $5,253,591

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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.
Abu Jamal is an elderly man who is having incredible health difficulties and Umm Jamal is a wife who’s tried her hardest during the time of her husband’s bout with illness to stand firm. Umm Jamal works during the olive harvest in order to earn a little money for their daily needs.

“I have seven children, and my husband is an old man who is unable to work. I go in the olive season to work in harvesting it, unfortunately I do not earn enough for the price of food and for our minimum needs. About a month ago, I became ill with a vertebral disease, and I was no longer able to make much effort at work. It poses a great danger to my health,” Umm Jamal said.

Though the olive season is fruitful at times, it is extremely difficult labor. Umm Jamal’s trial during this olive season brought her on the brink of despair.

“Tme prices are rising dramatically due to the collapse of the value of the Syrian pound, and the lack of livestock in the north of Syria, which constitutes a great burden on my shoulders as I have to deprive my children of eating meat. Umm Jamal said, “We use lamb meat to support the growth of children.”

Today is a great day and Islamic Relief provided us with an ample portion of meat, I cooked it, ate and we were satisfied, we were all happy.

We’ve grown know Islamic Relief through its food projects in the camps that we have established in over the past years, in addition to the tents that they provided us with instead of our worn out tents. I hope this war will end and we will return home safely.
My father is a taxi driver & brothers are daily wage laborers who never have a continuous work or a regular/fixed income. We live in a joint family system. My elder brother is married & having responsibility of his own family with a wife & 10 months baby. So, it's really hard to cater the food needs of 12 persons.

The wages my father & brothers make it difficult to provide proper food to the family. We mostly depend on a very simple diet. Water is also not available at home often & we have to fetch from neighbouring houses. In case of any family member’s illness, we take loans from others.

Everyone gets upset on the day when my father or my brother do not bring a reasonable amount of money home. It becomes difficult to arrange food for the family.

Eid is a blessing. I think everyone should have everything on this day especially meat. I always wished for new clothes & footwear; but never had both at a time.

I spend Eid silently sitting at home. My family members go to the relatives, meet & greet each other; but I cannot go to meet my relatives & friends due to my disability. I wish, I could also go out with my father & enjoy Eid day. Community people too remain busy in Qurbani, sending meat to relatives & other people, cooking delicious meals for family & guests, etc.

We are happy that someone remembered us on this day. This meat pack will fulfil at least one week food requirement of our family. We would also be able to present good meals to our guests.

UZMA TELLS HER STORY

"We rarely have meat in our diet. We even struggle to buy bare necessities so we wouldn’t put meat as our priority, we would rather eat vegetables for the whole week, than eat meat for a day then struggle to find food afterwards. Usually when we have meat, it is when we have a visitor coming to see us. If the visitor gets tired of eating relish that we usually eat, such as dried fish, soya pieces or vegetables, they buy the meat for a change. We wish we could have meat regularly so that we are not embarrassed when a visitor comes, but alas! Our pockets cannot allow us."

"I understand this as a symbol of love. The meat from the sacrifice of Eid Ul Adha is mostly given to others and that shows a true reflection of love. Today, my family and I will have meat, something which we never expected and we are happy."

SARUDZAI BRINGS PERSPECTIVE

"The children are all smiles because they have not had meat in a while. It is a good feeling to see the children happy. The children are used to eating vegetables hence it was kind of “strange” for them to have meat. On top of that we have saved the money we could have used for relish today."

"I have known Islamic Relief for quite a while now through the IR Netherlands livelihoods and protection project and I am one of the beneficiaries."

"I am short of words for what IR has done for us as a family today. I urge them to continue with the good work and remember us again in the next program."

YOUR QURBANI IN ACTION
1. **Who does Qurbani help?**

Meat recipients include widows, orphans, the destitute, the elderly, people with disabilities, refugees, and disaster-affected populations—generally, people who cannot afford to buy meat often and whose diets are lacking in calories and nutrition.

2. **How are the animals chosen?**

The animals used are an’aam (hooved) animals, such as sheep, goats, cows, and buffalo. The animals must be healthy, of a fit age, and free from blindness, chronic sickness, disease, or any apparent ailment.

3. **What kind of meat is used?**

Our program uses 100% halal meat. Meat is sourced locally whenever possible, to support the local economy. It is distributed fresh whenever possible, though in difficult situations like conflict zones, we may send frozen meat so it can arrive to the recipients in good condition. All logistics—from sacrifice to transportation—are handled in accordance with Islamic principles, and with the best hygienic practices possible.
4. How much meat am I giving?

One sheep or goat equals one Qurbani donation; one cow or buffalo equals seven Qurbani donations. Our prices equal one share—one sheep or goat, or one-seventh of a cow or buffalo.

5. When does the sacrifice occur?

Islamic Relief performs the Qurbani/Udhiyah during the day of Eid al-Adha and the ensuing three days of Tashreeq. However, under extreme circumstances, there may be exceptions due to factors such as the abundant number of Udhiyah/Qurbani or volatile conditions on the ground in a particular country. In these cases, the Qurbani may be done after the fourth day of Eid. Scholars have approved this practice.

6. How many shares do I give?

Islamic Relief USA recognizes the various jurisprudence opinions (fiqhi) in the Islamic tradition regarding how many Qurbanis an individual or family should give, and welcomes all to fulfill their religious right as they see fit. Of course, the more you give, the more people you serve.
REGISTRATION FORM

Name (First & Last)

Address

City      State  Zip

Home Phone     Cell

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If you have made an error in making your donation to Islamic Relief USA, we will honor your request for a refund within 30 days of your donation. To request a refund, call 1-866-637-5101. Refunds are issued using the original method of payment. If you made your donation by credit card, your refund will be credited to that same credit card. If you made your donation through direct debit of your checking/savings account, check, or cash, your refund will be issued by check and sent to you via the United States Postal Service. Islamic Relief USA reserves the right to allocate your Qurbani to where it is most needed if your preferred request cannot be met.

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