

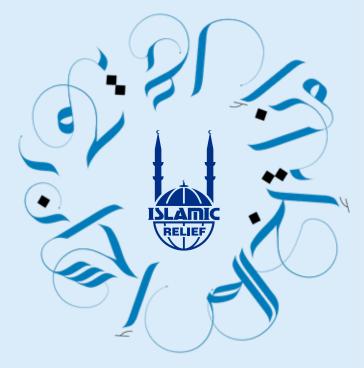
ISLAMIC RELIEF USA

QURBANI 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

EXCELLENCE

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

SINCERITY

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

COMPASSION

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.

> أمــــانـــــة CUSTODIANSHIP

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

SOCIAL JUSTICE

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

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

Germany

Mali

South Africa

Colombia

Iran

THE IR FAMILY HAS SUPPORTED HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS

Diibouti Algeria Mexico Sierra Leone Benin Fcuador Kyrgyzstan Morocco Swaziland Burkina Faso Egypt Syria Lesotho Mozambique Central African Ghana Liberia New Zealand Uganda Republic Haiti Libva Nigeria Zambia

Madagascar

Zimbabwe

IN THESE COUNTRIES IN A LIMITED SCOPE

BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER THAN YOURSELF



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.

JOIN THE FIGHT AGAINST HUNGER

AS MANY AS 811 MILLION PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD GO TO BED HUNGRY

World hunger is on the rise. The number of undernourished people, especially children, is growing due to conflict, climate change, and Covid-19. For Islamic Relief, Qurbani is the largest food program of the year. Giving the gift of meat alone can't pull a family out of poverty, but it can help provide nutrition for families in need.

IN 2022, IRUSA AIMS TO FEED MORE THAN **1.4 MILLION** PEOPLE ACROSS **30 COUNTIRES** THROUGH THE **QURBANI PROGRAM**



HOW YOUR GIFT CREATES REAL HAPPINESS



1. You as the donor choose a country, or choose the global Qurbani fund to allow staff to direct your gift where it's needed most.



2. Local staff will use your donation to purchase the animal locally and prepare the meat.



3. Meanwhile, local staff who know their communities well identify families who really need the help.



4. Finally, your gift is handed to a family who really needs your support.













YOU SHARED QURBANI WITH 823,383 PEOPLE ACROSS THE GLOBE IN 2021







NUMBER OF PEOPLE HELPED PER COUNTRY

| AFGHANISTAN 43,444 | INDONESIA 3,555 | MALI 62,418 | SOUTH AFRICA 2,879 |
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| ALBANIA 5,214 | JORDAN 21,790 | MYANMAR 27,057 | SOUTH SUDAN 11,107 |
| BANGLADESH 40,746 | KENYA 27,600 | NEPAL 12,704 | SUDAN 21,957 |
| BANGLADESH- MYANMAR REFUGEES 55,848 | KOSOVO 2,143 | NIGER 82,085 | TURKEY 18,084 |
| BOSNIA 7,353 | LEBANON 21,854 | PAKISTAN 86,989 | TUNISIA 145 |
| CHECHNYA 6,596 | MACEDONIA 1,607 | PHILLIPPINES 5,642 | YEMEN 147,432 |
| ETHIOPIA 14,259 | MALAWI 53,477 | SOMALIA 39,398 | |





"THIS MEAT PACK IS A BLESSING FOR ME AND MY FAMILY."

Salimata, a widow and mother of eight from Mali, is one of many people that your donations reached during Qurbani last year. She has long since lost her husband, and grows and sells vegetables to earn a living and support not only her immediate family, but her extended family as well. Her four eldest sons also work to support the family, but even that is not enough.

"Because of the conflict in the north, the price of animals is increasine, in the market. Eating meat is a rare occasion in my family. We cannot afford to eat meat anymore. The price is too expensive. All our money is spent on food and we can only afford to buy millet and sorghum. If these high prices continue, it will be a disaster. Meat is so precious in our community, we consider it "the red gold"."

Islamic Relief was able to provide Salimata and her family with the gift of meat this Eid so that they may enjoy this blessed holiday.

"This meat pack is a blessing for me and my family. It will help to enjoy our Eid, as we cannot afford to buy Qurbani. This meat

pack will go a long way with so many mouths to feed, and it is enough to feed us for a few days. It's been so long since we've had meat, I know this will put a smile on my children and grandchildren's faces. I thank Islamic Relief and its donors for their generosity. I'm hoping that next year we can receive the same blessings. I pray Allah to bless them more than enough and grant them the highest place in Jannah. Eid Mubarak to all of them"



YOUR QURBANI IN ACTION "MEAT IS NOT COOKED IN OUR HOUSE FOR MONTHS ON END."

Bahrije lives in Kosovo with her two sons. It's been hard for her to provide for her family since the passing of her husband. One of her sons is afflicted with cerebral palsy, while the other is stuck at home because she cannot afford to send him to college.

"What can [I] say? We try our best to earn enough to run the house but there is no work and we rely only on Allah. Meat is not cooked in our house for months on end. It is very difficult for me and my family to buy meat because I'm not working and we [live on the] social assistance that we get per month. The price of meat is high and we [can't] afford to buy it."

Islamic Relief was able to provide Bahrije and her family with the gift of meat this Eid so that they may enjoy this blessed holiday together.

"It helped us a lot and we are very thankful to [Islamic Relief] for providing us the meat. May Allah grant you paradise for making it possible to have this fresh meat on our tables for me and my family."





YOUR QURBANI IN ACTION "WE ARE VERY PLEASED WITH WHAT YOU HAVE GIVEN US."



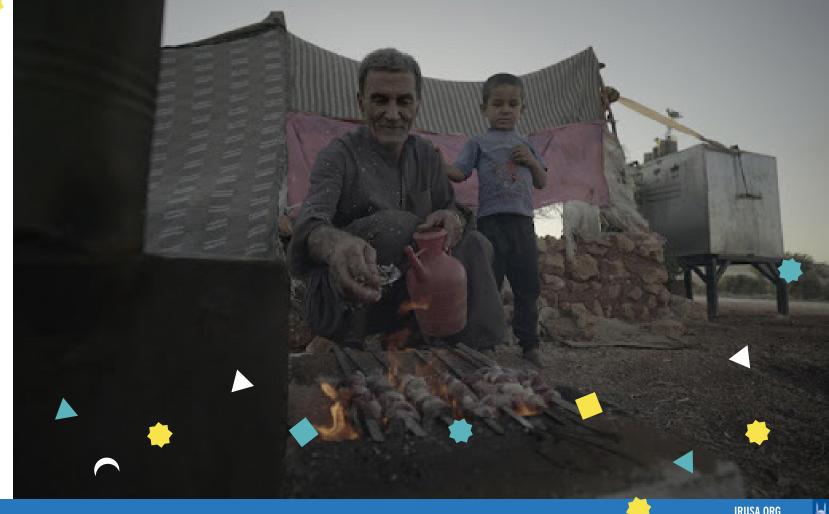
Abu Fawaz is one of many Syrians affected by the ongoing civil war. He is an elderly man with a wife and three young children, including his orphaned grandson. He and his family currently live in a camp in Idlib.

He talked to us about life before the war. How there was a time he would celebrate Eid by sharing meat with his relatives and neighbors, because he had enough to go around. Now, things are very different.

"I do not have a young breadwinner that I rely on to secure my living requirements. I am an old man who is unable to work because I suffer from diabetes. Some days my wife goes out to work picking olives and vegetables to secure money and buy some needs. We rely on what humanitarian organizations provide us with. We eat meat once or twice a year, waiting for the humanitarian organizations to come to receive the sacrifice rations. The possibility of buying meat is a dream for us. We live in a very difficult state of poverty, and the is very expensive, and we cannot afford it. The lack of [meat] negatively affects the health of my family, my children have become weak and emaciated."

Islamic Relief was able to provide Abu Fawaz and his family with the gift of meat this Eid so that they may enjoy this blessed holiday like they once used to.

"Islamic Relief provided us with abundant portions of lamb, and now, thank God, my children have eaten and are satisfied. We are very pleased with what you have given us."



QURBANI+

Qurbani+ (Plus) is an initiative that seeks to increase the income of families by partnering with them in an Islamic microfinance livelihood project connected to Eid al-Adha.

Here's how it works: The head of an orphaned family, usually a mother or grandparent, receives three animals from Islamic Relief up to six months before the Qurbani season. As the time of Qurbani nears, the fattened animals are sold at market prices to our Qurbani Program, which generates a profit. This profit is shared between Islamic Relief and the families at a predefined and agreed upon ratio. The family is provided with enough money for their household needs and other costs, and Islamic Relief is able to reinvest our share into other income-generating activities so even more people can benefit. All the fattened animals are then made part of the Qurbani distribution for Eid al-Adha to provide the best quality meat for vulnerable people.

So, through Qurbani+, not only does the best quality Qurbani meat reach the most vulnerable people on Eid, but you also help widows and orphaned families break the cycle of poverty! And by giving \$250 to this program now, you fulfill Qurbani for Mali, Niger, or Sudan this year AND support these livelihood efforts for next year's Eid al-Adha: It's



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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.





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