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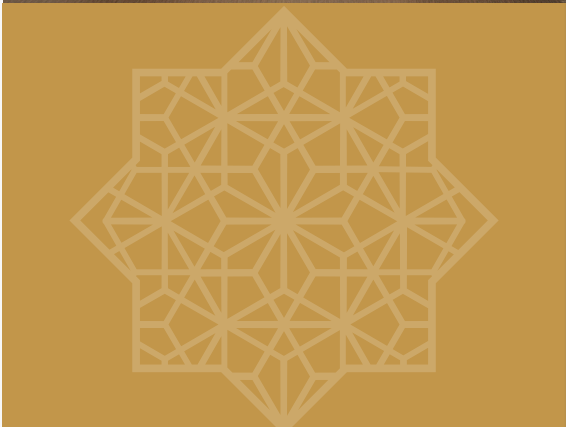
Working together for our community



**ANNUAL
REPORT**
2021- 2022

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Executive Director's Message

Assalamu Alykum,

I want to thank Allah (SWT) for the blessings given to our community and bringing us out of the COVID-19 pandemic. For those who lost relatives and friends, may Allah grant them mercy and grant them Jannatul Firdous. I also want to thank our donors, volunteers, employees and our partners, for serving the community. You are the backbone of ISGH. May Allah reward you and your families.

In 2021, life at the Masjid was limited during the first six months due to safety measures, but slowly a sense of normalcy was seen. First, with salat attendance and then slowly by the end of the year, community activities started to take place. By the time Ramadan came in April of 2022, the community was more than ready to gather, breaking fast together, visiting with those they may not have seen for some time, the children filled the playgrounds and the teenagers were back to gathering in their friendship groups. This was the life and spirit we were all waiting for, Al Hamdu Lillah.

Operationally, 2021-2022 also came with digital transformation within ISGH with the implementation of On-line Voting, Paycor for payroll management, Funeral Home automated and remote intakes and payments, Financial Assistance documentation and Blackbaud CRM to bring financials, membership and donor management under one umbrella software solution. There have been and will be challenges with the implementation, but we are on the road to a more efficient operation. Recently our youth leadership has organized a central committee to share masjid initiatives and coordinate youth oriented programs, so we look forward to their future events. ISGH now has a sponsored Sports League, with basketball completing its first season and the hopes to add organized soccer soon.

Our Flagship, Financial Assistance has grown with both the community and the refugee population. The primary focus has been with rental assistance, when in January of this year the number of monthly rental recipients was 286 and now is 648.

Lastly, I want to thank our Shura and specifically the Executive Body who shoulder the leadership responsibility in driving the transformation in helping ISGH achieve our mission of Islamic development.

With Appreciation,



Roger Yelton
ISGH Executive Director

ISGH Executive Body



Ayman Kabire
President



Bassel Choucair
Vice President



Faizan Atiq
Treasurer



Badar Alam
General Secretary

Vision and Mission



Mission

*Transform our community through **visionary leadership** that nurtures Islamic development.*

Vision

To provide religious and social services to all Muslims and to provide channels of understanding and communication between Muslims and the Houston community in general. We aim to live our vision by providing a variety of services that range from educational, charitable, social, and religious.



Acknowledgement & Appreciation



Our Volunteers

The progress and expansion of the Islamic Society of Greater Houston has been made possible by the special favor of Allah (SWT) and through the generous financial and moral support of our own blessed community. Every year, hundreds of Muslim brothers and sisters contribute voluntary services for the community, amounting to thousands of man-hours. From food distributions to emergency relief efforts, our volunteers are there with us. We are grateful for this support and appreciative of the time and dedication. May Allah (SWT) bless and reward them. Ameen.



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Senior Recognition

ISGH centers had a Special Recognition event to recognize our Seniors in the community and appreciate their history of participation, leadership, mentorship, and journey in Islam.

Youth Recognition

Youth Recognition Night was held at ISGH centers to honor and celebrate all of our youth. We appreciate the dedication and bright ideas that all of our youth bring.



New Muslims

In celebration of our Revert brothers and sisters and their journey to Islam, ISGH held its first special Iftar for New Muslims. Alhamdulillah the event was a huge success, and registration was filled in the first 24 hours. The event was done in collaboration with our partners at IslamInSpanish at Mezban Restaurant.

21 Islamic Centers



1,496 Islamic Weekend School Enrollment

193 Quran Class Enrollment

288 Hifz School Enrollment



109 Shahdahs



191 Nikkahs



Community Services

Food Distribution

Clothing Drive for Afghan Refugees and Pakistan Flood Victims

Pakistan Flood Relief

Blood Donation Drive

Bone Marrow Drive

Ramadan Iftar Distribution

Food Pantry

COVID-19 Vaccination Drives & Testing Center

Winter Goody Bag Drive for Afghan Refugees - 300 bags distributed

Eid Toy Drive for Refugees 350 toys, 65 t-shirts, and \$2K gift cards distributed

Blanket Drive for Cancer Patients

Election Polling Stations



Dawah and Outreach

Eleven of the 16 Islamic Centers have a da'wah committee and to enhance our Da'wah efforts central committee has been divided into five sub-committees; **General Dawah, Prison Dawah, Community Outreach, Mail Dawah and Interfaith Dawah.** School students and Church groups visited various ISGH centers to learn about Islam and Muslims.



17 Dawah Events



3,435 Qurans Distributed

57 Prayer Rugs Distributed

Activities:

Proclamation of Day of Eid Ul Adha by honorable Mayor of Pearland Mr. Kevin Cole

Mayor's visit at Pearland Islamic center on the Day of Eid and addressed the congregation.

Eid ul Fitr celebration at the end of Ramadan at HCA Clearlake Hospital.

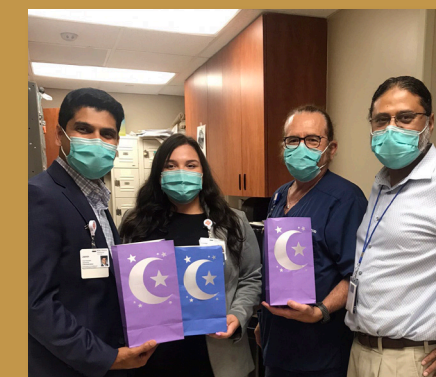
Ramadan food drive for neighbors.

New Muslim program - 10 new Muslims took shahada through out the year.

Inviting local officials to masjid- Brazoria county land commissioner.

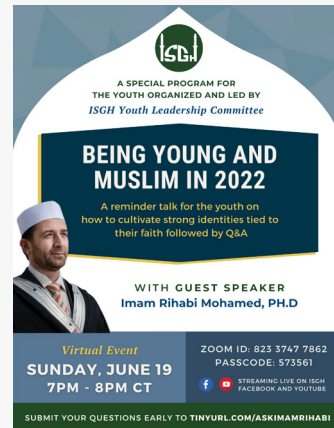
City-wide New Muslims Iftar during Ramadan

Inviting local officials to masjid: judges, congressmen, police and fire departments



Pearland faith based initiative Emergency Help, is designed to help needy citizens and is composed of a group of faith leadership providing gift packages to ICU nurses at HCA Clearlake Hospital during COVID endemics.

Youth Programs



The ISGH Youth programs have been relaunched for city-wide participation.

The Youth Leadership Committee has been formed with ISGH Islamic Center participation. Each center appointed 2 youth representatives (one brother and one sister) to be part of the committee. The representatives are a mix High School and College students and at their meetings, the representatives report on what was is happening with the youths at their Islamic Centers, sharing their forward plans. They held their first planned virtual youth event in the Summer on "Being Young and Muslim in 2022" with Imam Rihabi.



ISGH Youth Sports League Prioritizing Our Youth

Basketball is back with the formation of the ISGH Youth Sports League led by dedicated volunteer coaches. The first ISGH league was launched during the summer featuring boys and girls divisions from seven masjids. The summer season ran from June 11th - July 30th, with basketball games scheduled at Champions and Hamza gyms. The season ended with the championship tournaments on Aug 6th and Aug 13th and was celebrated with Trophy and Medal awards for the winners. The fall 2022 season started on Sept 17th.

Job Networking



500 Class Attendees

60+ Enrolled for Job Networking Adult Educational Programs

50 Job Networking Volunteers and Translators

2 Job Fairs in collaboration with An-Nisa Hope Center



Computer Refurbishment and Distribution



190 Resumes Created on-site
750 Refugees Assisted
300 Connection Leads at different companies

The Job Networking team has been busy empowering the Greater Houston Community with career opportunities to become financially self-sufficient by providing a path to employment and success.

This has come on the heels of partnerships with local non-profit organizations and offering online classes to equip our community with the needed work skill sets, such as Conversational and Workplace English, Basic Computer Skills and GED. We also offer classes that cater towards more technical proficiency, such as Python Programming, AWS, Salesforce, and SQL for professionals seeking new technical skills. Additionally, we hold job fairs and resume workshops around the city.



Kutbahs and Kateebs are our flagship in sharing knowledge with the community.

Trained Khateeb, of which we have 135 serving the community, are coordinated to deliver up to 36 Khutbahs weekly, including the 2nd and 3rd Jumu'ahs. Our 12 committee man team, work together on a weekly basis, sometimes up to late Friday morning to ensure every ISGH masjid is covered.

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Khutbahs Weekly

135

Total Khateeb

1872 Khutbahs

Funeral Homes and Cemetery Services

ISGH Funeral Homes and Cemetery Services goes digital as we work towards continuous improvement and make it easier for families completing documentation to do so on-line. **Houstonians are recognizing the benefits and comfort that an exclusive Muslim cemetery brings. One with the plans to include a new masjid, The Waller Islamic Center, which will add convenience and peacefulness to the entire atmosphere.** We have two Funeral Homes in the Houston area, one at Hamza Islamic Center the other Bilal Islamic Center. A 3rd is being built at the Hwy3 Islamic Center.

With the Mercy and Grace of Allah, ISGH Muslim Cemetery has been functional since December 2020 and as of September 2022, we have almost 307 graves in the new cemetery with 148 in 2022. Along with a family section, we now have a dedicated garden for the babies. ISGH has spent almost \$1.7M on the development of the cemetery including Construction, Landscaping, Architecture, Geotec, etc. Development and improvement are ongoing at the cemetery with the help of generous donations from the community, Alhumdulillah. We installed new automated Gates, Landscaping, and 2 Water Wells this year. InshAllah we are planning to install a camera system, sprinkler system, and walkways in the next few months.

With the generous donation from the community, we were able to plant 170 trees in the burial area and the driveway which will provide shade in the future as well as beautify the cemetery.

ISGH continues to honor our generous donors by assigning graves equivalent to \$1000 per grave.

This is especially notable to reserve continuous graves for one's family members (in the family dedicated section).



March 2022: Waller Islamic Center Groundbreaking was held.

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Number of Funerals	2021	360
	2022	267

307 Burials in ISGH Muslim Cemetery



ISGH Facilities Expansions

ISGH Facility Expansion at the Islamic Center level continues with the completion of the new Bear Creek Islamic Center showcasing a "state of the art" design, both interior and exterior and congregation conveniences. Champions has recently opened their new Sports field with everything from soccer to cricket and volleyball. Maryam Islamic Center and Cypress Islamic Center completed their parking expansion and Hwy3 reopened their newly rebuilt multi-purpose hall. Katy Islamic Center has cleared their land for the new parking development.

Champions Islamic Center



Champions Sports Field

Maryam Islamic Center



Maryam Islamic Center Expansion Project

Bear Creek Islamic Center




Bear Creek Islamic Center Masjid Construction Completed

Cypress Islamic Center



Cypress Islamic Center Parking

Community Education



Islamic Society of Greater Houston
Resource Guide for Mental Wellness
and Domestic Violence
Updated due to an oversight in the original publication which we have now addressed

MENTAL WELLNESS AND FAMILY COUNSELING

An-Nisa Hope Center - Houston
(www.an-nisa.org)
Counseling: Licensed Mental Health Professionals
(individuals, couples, family, adolescents)
Case Management: Long term solutions
Social education
Phone: (832) 924-9111
Address: 7500 Regency Square Blvd, Ste 290,
Houston TX 77056

**Texas Muslim Women's
Foundation - Dallas**
(www.tmwf.org)
Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing,
7 languages access
Domestic Violence Hotline: (972) 880-4192
Phone: (469) 467-4241

**Olive Branch - Muslim Family
Services - Houston**
(www.olivebranchhouston.org)
Counseling: Licensed Mental Health Professionals
(adults, children/adolescents and families)
Case Management: Long term solutions
Phone: (832) 817-8160
Address: 10222 Richmond Ave, Suite 160,
Houston TX 77062


Sacred Minds Counseling
(www.sacredminds-counseling.com)
Counseling: Licensed Mental Health Professionals
(individuals, couples, family, adolescents)
Mental Health Support
Phone: (281) 241-0671

**Family Time Crisis and
Counseling - Humble**
(www.familytimesc.org)
Counseling: Licensed Mental Health
Professionals (individuals, couples,
family, adolescents)
Phone: (281) 446-2615
Address: 2800 S Houston Ave,
Humble, TX 77338

**UT Health Harris County
Psychiatric Center - Houston**
(www.hcpc.utth.edu)
Psychiatric Help
Phone: (713) 743-3000
Address: 2800 S MacGregor Way,
Houston, TX 77021

Ibn Sina Foundation
(www.ibnsinafoundation.org)
Counseling: Licensed Health
Professionals (individuals, couples,
family, adolescents)
Phone: (281) 977-7462

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Community education is a continuous process and with Mental Health finally becoming a recognized need within our society, ISGH published a **Mental Well Being Resource Guide** to assist those in need.

In response to Domestic Violence and in an effort to bring the relevant underlying issues to the community at large, ISGH has conducted **mental health & domestic violence awareness workshops** across masajids in the Greater Houston Area. All workshops were live-streamed and included professional panelists.

ISGH recognized it is increasingly important for ISGH personnel who are interacting with individuals on a daily basis to develop skills that will help them to identify mental health challenges and be equipped with the appropriate steps to take. ISGH in collaboration with Islamic Relief and the American Muslim Health Professionals organization, sponsored **"Mental Health First Aid" training** for our selected front line personnel.



ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF GREATER HOUSTON
presents
MENTAL HEALTH & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS
With Professional Panelist



Dr. Shabir Bhatt, MD
Psychiatrist, Houston



Dr. Katam Hamdan, PhD
Psychologist, Houston



Shaykh Mahmud Mahmood
Islamic Scholar, Houston



Shaykh Tawqeer Shah
Islamic Scholar, Houston



Asema Rahman
Islamic Scholar, Houston

Please submit your questions early to www.tinyurl.com/BewareDV

**FRIDAY
05.27.22
AFTER MAGHRIB**

CHAMPIONS MASJID
18700 Old Louetta Rd
Spring, TX 77378
New classes will be presented at 7:00pm
Bring the entire family.

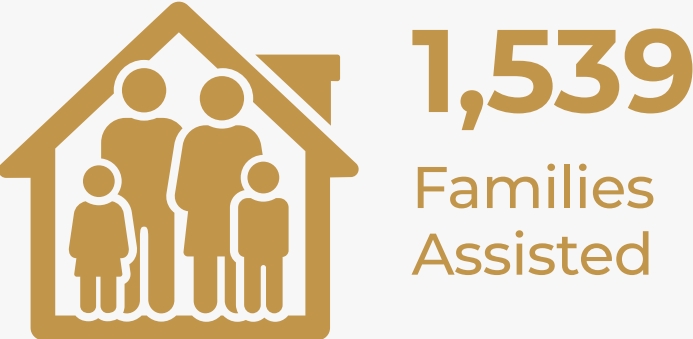
Streaming Live
on ISGH Facebook
& YouTube



Financial Assistance Services

In late 2021, Houston resettlement organizations received the first of what would be over 5,000 Afghan refugees. With the ongoing support of 360 plus families receiving assistance for food, rent, and utilities, a new strategy to cover the refugees was required as government assistance was limited. In early 2022 ISGH applied for and received a \$1,847,438 Federal Grant with the focus on housing support. Additionally, for zakat recipients who met a certain criteria, and needed assistance in purchasing a car for work or family transportation, ISGH was able to help. The enhanced support, coupled with additional federal software technology and add-ed ISGH staff, is allowing ISGH to enhance efficiencies and transparency.

In 2021, ISGH provided \$2,278,997 in financial support and year to date through August we have provided \$3,121,502.



- Each Month
571
Families receive support for:
- Food
 - Rent
 - Utilities
 - Critical Education
 - Transportation Costs





FOSTER CARE
BRINGING THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY TO AN INTRODUCTORY ORIENTATION
FOSTER CARE FOR REFUGEE AND IMMIGRANT CHILDREN WHO COME TO THE U.S. ALONE
You can make a difference in the life of a child in need.
**LOVE A CHILD
CHANGE A LIFE
BECOME A FOSTER PARENT**

VIRTUAL ORIENTATION
FRIDAY, MAY 20TH
AFTER MAGHRIB
HAMZA MASJID
6233 Tres Lagunas Dr,
Houston, TX 77063
Free Dinner will be provided

VIRTUAL ORIENTATION
SATURDAY, MAY 21ST
9AM - 12:30AM
Please register in order to receive the virtual link to the class.
Registration link: catholiccharities.org/parentcenter



ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF GREATER HOUSTON
PRESENTS MONTHLY FAMILY SERIES
Family Night
Navigating the Era of Social Media
A special program for families to discuss the effects of social media in a household.



FRIDAY, DEC 17 @ 7:30PM (AFTER ISHA PRAYER)
Masjid Al-Salam (6233 Tres Lagunas Dr, Houston TX 77063)
Registration link: isgh.org/events



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Foster Parenting Workshops
Collaborating with Catholic Charities, ISGH raised awareness in the Muslim community about the Unaccompanied Muslim Refugee Minors who are in the system and in need of foster care. ISGH facilitated workshops at Masjid Al Salam, Aqsa Masjid, Masjid Hamza and Masjid Attaqwa with an introductory workshop on Friday night after Maghrib and a virtual one on Saturday morning.

Imam Council Sharings
The Imam Council maintained their Family Nights on a monthly basis at different Masajid, bringing a panel of Imams to discuss such topics as "Navigating The Era of Social Media", "Role Models, Modeling the Behavior", "Addictions: From Drugs to Technology" to name a few. The council also provided live stream sharings across selected Islamic calendar events. Fatwa Scholars also gathered on a monthly basis at masjid's across Houston to answer questions from the community.

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Our Partners

It is a blessing to have so many organizations who can come together to serve the Houston community, and also help ISGH reach other **national and international communities**, that are in need of help. **To all of our partners, ISGH thanks you for your support.** Your collaboration paves the way to reach orphans, families in times of national disasters, refugees, and those trying to build a new life in a foreign land. May Allah (SWT) bless each and every one of your workers and may He bless your organizations.

Making an Impact Together with Our Partners



UH Muslim Student Association

In 2021 ISGH partnered with UHMSA for their first time Chaplaincy Program with Ustadh Mahad Qamar and Ustadha Safiya Ravat providing counseling, guidance, leadership training, Jumma Khutbah's and mentorship. ISGH is committed to youth education and spiritual growth and has agreed to open the door at any of our masajids for the UHMSA events and fundraising.



An-Nisa Hope Center

Our partnership has been in place for years supporting each other in refugee relief, counseling referrals, joint panel workshops for Domestic Violence and together building "Family Matters" Khutbah's on relevant current issues facing families today. An-Nisa has also been impactful with our Job Networking team holding job fairs together within the refugee community.



Multi Cultural Center (MCC)

In early 2022 ISGH partnered with the MultiCultural Center sponsoring "The Hunger Truck" with the logo "Muslims Giving Back". Every weekend the Hunger Truck departs from MCC filled with food and goes to a different community where meals are provided. The Hunger Truck can be made available anytime during the week and is a great opportunity for volunteers to "give back".

Shifa Clinics

Through our affiliation with the Shifa Clinics, ISGH has been healing the community one patient at a time by providing free medical care to all those who need it.



Share the Khair

Helping Hands USA
Islamic Relief USA
Syrian Forum USA

Indian Muslim Relief and Charities
United Hands Relief
Pure Hands Inc.



CAIR Houston

ISGH and CAIR have partnered for years with CAIR providing updates on civil rights to our greater community. This includes everything from bullying or discrimination in schools and offices, to knowing your rights when speaking to law enforcement. CAIR presentations in our masajids are informative, promoting justice and empowering our community with knowledge.



Prison Dawah Chaplaincy Program

ISGH dawah committee has an active prison dawah program that serves prison inmates across Texas, providing visitation, Taleem services, and a variety of Islamic material to the prisons. ISGH has also partnered with Salaam Reentry to provide chaplaincy services to the Harris County jails. The Chaplain will serve inmates in the jail allowing them to hold Taleem services along with Jumma prayers in the Jail. ISGH has committed to fund part of the male and female Chaplains salary to provide this important service in the Harris County jail system.



Dar Us Sakina

Dar us Sakina is providing the much needed special education teachers at our Weekend Islamic Schools, for children with disabilities at our Spring Branch, Brand Lane, Champions through 2021. We are happy to extend and add Pearland to this list in 2023. The value of what Dar us Sakina brings is priceless when it comes to serving special needs children.



Membership

Membership has grown its digital footprint through online voting in 2021, which proved successful. In 2022 we look for increased online voting as we continue to strengthen the community confidence and the convenience of voting from home. This has been a part of the strategy to modernize, improve the customer experience and grow the voter turnout.



BECOME A MEMBER

Be part of the largest Islamic organization that connects Muslims in Houston. Sign-up for membership here:

isgh.org/join

Visit us @ isgh.org

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SCAN ME

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Supported by your membership fees

- Full Time Islamic Schools
- Free Shifa Health Clinics
- Funeral Services
- ISGH Muslim Cemetery
- Job Networking
- Eligibility to Vote in ISGH Elections
- Member-only Access to the Portal
- Communication About Citywide Programs & Events
- Nikkah Services
- Financial Aid and Support

Member's voice determines the direction



The Islamic Education Institute of Texas (IEIT)

The unique IEIT system of Islamic schools includes **five (5) fully accredited scholastic programs** and two (2) academic collaborations focused on HIFZ and Aa'lim programs in the Greater Houston Area. Our mission is to ensure that every child achieves his/her maximum educational potential through an enriched academic and Islamic curriculum that is focused on preparing students for tomorrow's challenges through the **establishment of high Islamic values, community service, and moral standards**. With the blessing of Allah (SWT), the IEIT School System typically serves between 1,000 to 1,200 students, pre-pandemic, at its five+ campuses from Pre-Kindergarten to High School as noted below:

School Masjid-Location Program/Grades

	School	Masjid-Location	Program/Grades
1	Darul Arqam Academy-North	Adel Road-Houston	Pre-K to 12 th
2	Darul Arqam Academy-SE	HWY 3-Clear Lake	Early Childcare to 3 rd
3	Everest Academy	Brand-Lane-Stafford	Pre-K to 10 th
4	Houston Peace Academy	Old Louetta, Champion	Early Childcare to 6 th
5	ILM Academy	Conrad Sauer-Houston	Early Childcare to 8 th
6	Maryam Quran Academy	New Territory	Hifz Program + 3 rd Grade to 10 th Grade
7	Hamd Institute	Bear Creek	Hifz n Aa'lim Program + 3 rd Grade and up



MQA-MIC and IEIT signed a five (5) years agreement in July 2022 to provide secular education to students enrolled in MQA's HIFZ Program. The IEIT's Everest Flex Program (EFP) involves online classes utilizing Texas Connection Academy on-line curriculum under the guidance of a Master Learning Coach. The Program has a capacity limit of 50 students, and it started in late August 2022.



Hamd Institute and IEIT are collaborating to provide focused secular education for core subjects, such as Math, Science, English and Language Arts (ELA) only, for their Hifz and Aa'lim Program that was launched in August 2022. IEIT will,

- Work with HAMD Institute to outline a curriculum suitable for the Hifz-Aa'lim students.
- Provide curriculum material, textbooks, and benchmarks.
- Work with HAMD faculty to Proctor Testing for all students.
- Provide Transcripts and accreditation for all students.
- Add HAMD students into "Quick Schools," a school management system.
- Conduct teachers training and conference 2-4 times per year.
- Enable HAMD to provide Highschool platform.
- Assist in Communication with parents for academic report cards, training, etc.
- The program will be marketed as HAMD/MIFTAH/IEIT Collaboration.

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Islamic Institute of Knowledge (IIK)

ISGH Subsidiary The Institute of Islamic Knowledge (IIK) continued to publish copies of "Al-Qur'an - The Guidance for Mankind" English translation, and distribute throughout the United States and other countries including Canada, United Kingdom, United Arab Emirates, Australia, India, Singapore, Indonesia, South Africa, Bangladesh and Malaysia. Included in the publications were translations in the Spanish language which has been well received by Spanish speaking communities in Mexico, Panama, Nicaragua and other South American countries. IIK received several requests from overseas such as; Australia, India, South Africa and the United Kingdom, where we sent 3,000 plus copies. We are now publishing in Malaysia, Pakistan, and Bangladesh.

Other projects accomplished and now on our website www.al-quraan.org include:

- The development of Al-Qur'an Software (Ayah by Ayah, paragraph by paragraph display) with audio recitation in Arabic and reading in English, with over 11,000 references from the Holy Qur'an
- Al-Qur'an Audio for each Juz
- Al-Wasiyyah
- Al-Zakah Software (all verses of Holy Qur'an relating to Zakah, all al Hadith in six authentic Hadith books relating to Zakah, calculation wizard, and latest fatwas relating to Zakah

Our Da'wah Booklet called "What is Islam? Who are the Muslims?" is another successful publication in English as well as in Spanish. To date we have distributed over half a million copies. Our new booklet As-Salat – the 2nd Pillar of Islam is also available for download in pdf format. This booklet includes the Rules of Islamic Prayer. Currently we have a South African project in process to translate this booklet into the Afrikaans, Zulu and Portuguese languages.



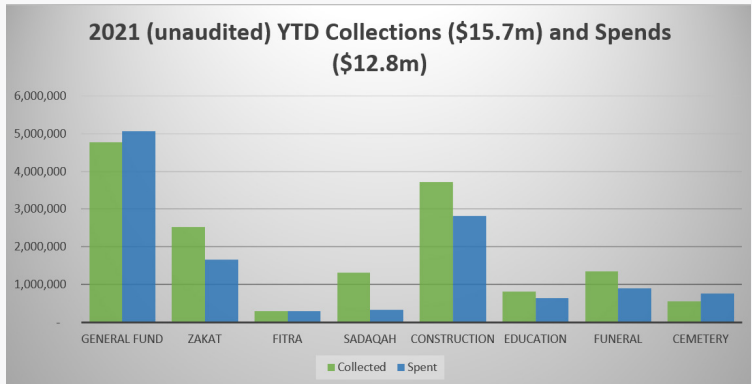
Our mission is to convey the Message of Allah, in complying with the Mission of our beloved Rasool Allah Sullalaho Alaihi Wa Sullum. of conveying Allah's Message to the whole of mankind.

Treasurer's Report

Alhamdulillah, we can't thank Allah enough for the blessing of allowing us to come through the pandemic safely, as an individual, as a community and as an organization. In addition, we can't thank our community enough for having trust in our organization, ISGH and supporting it through these trying times keeping us in good financial health. As you read through my update, you will notice that through our community's support, our organization, **ISGH continues to break our previous records in terms of not just collections but also disbursements.**

We ended 2021 on a very positive note with a total collection of over \$15m, our highest ever collection re-enforcing the community's trust in the organization. 2021 was an eventful year for the organization from a financial perspective.

Funds	2021 (Unaudited)	2021 YTD Percentage Allocation	2020 (Audited)	2020 YTD Percentage Allocation
General Fund Collected	4,769,001		3,717,218	
General Fund Spent	5,059,096	106%	4,486,967	121%
Zakat Collected	2,521,044		2,893,634	
Zakat Spent	1,658,281	66%	2,570,128	89%
Fitra Collected	300,064		230,018	
Fitra Spent	300,064	100%	74,494	32%
Sadaqah Collected	1,308,853		623,327	
Sadaqah Spent	320,652	24%	427,295	69%
Construction Collected	3,721,469		2,074,370	
Construction Spent	2,818,765	76%	2,536,577	122%
Education Collected	816,525		564,036	
Education Spent	646,052	79%	600,919	107%
Funeral Collected	1,347,171		1,317,780	
Funeral Spent	894,392	66%	989,185	75%
Cemetery Collected	550,000		292,403	
Cemetery Spent	761,010	138%	539,661	185%
YTD Collected	15,677,251		11,969,525	
YTD Dispensed	12,768,231	81%	12,434,157	104%



2021 Incident

In October of 2021, we announced the news about the embezzlement of community funds by our former comptroller. While this was an isolated incident, it shook the financial controls we have had in place. The ISGH financials were reviewed and investigated by a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) who is also a Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) and no other issues were found - Alhamdulillah. Additionally, financial crime specialists of two local law

Treasurer's Report cont.

enforcement agencies reviewed and investigated fraud relevant financials. We are happy to announce that with the settlement of the criminal case, almost all the community's money has been returned back to ISGH. The civil case continues to be active currently and we hope to have a resolution very soon. Additionally, we began a review and reclassification of every dollar donated and spent starting from 2020 to the end of 2021 to ensure that the organization and our centers were accounting and spending the community's money as it was intended by the donors. This was an extremely tedious process requiring hundreds of hours of scrubbing of our books and ensuring that we were able to produce the appropriate financials. We have reviewed our financial controls and have made a number of adjust-ments where necessary. We pray that Allah guards us from any possibility of such an incident in the future.

Financial Assistance and EFSP Grant

Coming out of a global pandemic, one of the biggest challenges we faced as a community in 2021 and bleeding into 2022 was the drastically growing need for financial assistance within the community. Several community members were finding themselves without jobs. With increased rents and inflation at record highs, our community members were more and more in need of a helping hand. In addition to this, we had a huge influx of Afghan refugees during the year 2021 which again drastically increased the need for financial assistance within the community.

Alhamdulillah, with the expansion of the ISGH Financial Assistance department, we were able to ensure that this need was appropriately addressed. We added additional personnel to the department and in the second quarter of 2022, the board has approved a separate financial assistance office space to give us room to continue to expand the department and serve the community needs professionally and with dignity for our recipients. The new office is currently under design and construction, and we hope to move the financial assistance department to the new office before the end of this year. We will InshaAllah advertise this milestone. This department along with our dedicated volunteers at the centers has successfully supported a total of 1,539 different families in the last 12 months. Our average monthly number of families that we assist has risen from 500 to be closer to 600. In 2021, ISGH

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need in the community. With the blessings of Allah, we are pleased to announce that ISGH was awarded a total of \$1.8m to be used towards rental assist-ance. This is to be disbursed in two phases of \$900k each between 2022 and Q1 2023. This has and will continue to provide much needed relief for our struggling families. We are happy to report that our professional financial assistance department along with the support of our local Zakat committee volunteers has successfully dispersed over \$3.1m of your Zakat and Sadaqa so far this year (YTD 2022). This includes our grant disbursements.

In addition to our regular disbursements of rental assistance, utility payments, food cards etc., we have also gifted 11 vehicles to deserving families, so they are able to work toward self-sufficiency. The board earlier last month has also approved assisting our deserving community children using our

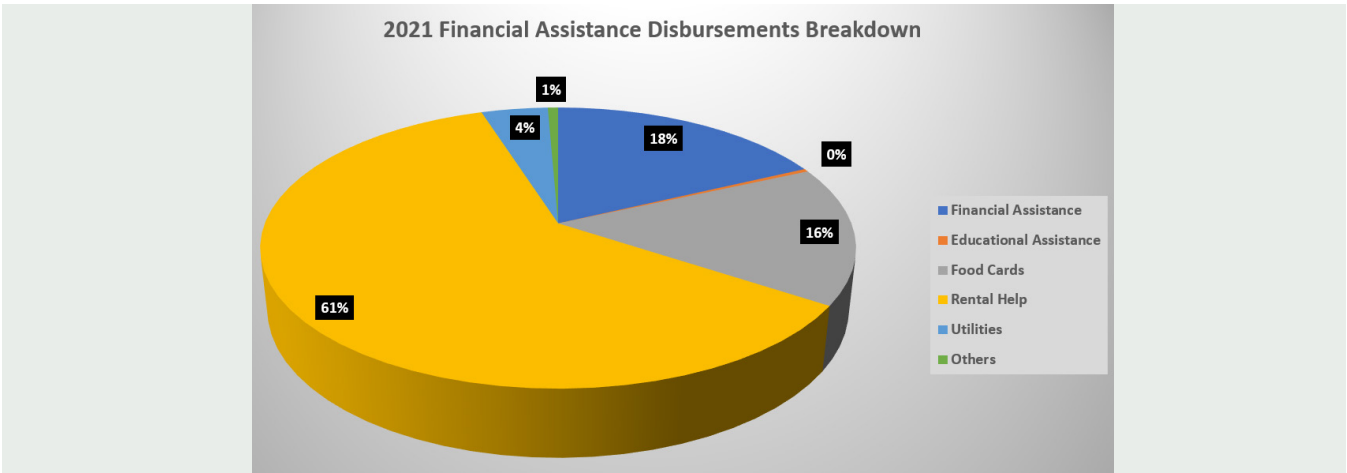
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disbursed a total of over \$2.3m of your donated Sadaqa and Zakat to assist our local families in need. You can see in the attached impact report the breakdown of our financial assistance with rental assistance being our biggest need.

Earlier in February 2022, ISGH had applied for a federal grant that would help us address the growing

Sadaqa funds so that they are able to obtain quality Islamic education. Our goal is to make sure that no child that wants to obtain an Islamic Education is left behind due to not being able to afford it. We have also just approved the establishment of a city-wide scholarship program for children of deserving families so that they can obtain a college education. This program was already implemented in the Champion's Islamic Center as a local program, and we will be expanding it to cover the entire city. The current board continues to look for opportunities where we can ensure that every dollar of Sadaqa and Zakat that you donate is used to its fullest.

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Funds	2021 (Unaudited)	2021 YTD Percentage Allocation	2020 (Audited)	2020 YTD Percentage Allocation
Financial Assistance	334,062	18%	1,487,910	53%
Zakat	132,169		1,255,260	
Sadaqah	201,894		232,650	
Educational Assistance	6,333	0%	14,040	1%
Food Cards	296,411	16%	298,457	11%
Rental Help	1,131,527	61%	950,635	34%
Utilities	79,558	4%	42,776	2%
Others	12,283	1%	8,960	0%

Ramadan 2022

Ramadan is usually the busiest time of the year for ISGH. This is true in terms of all the activity around our centers both spiritually and physically. Our community is the most generous during this month and Alhamdulillah we had an amazing Ramadan this year.

In previous years, we used to do Food drives around the city to ensure our community's most vulnerable families were able to enjoy a worry-free Ramadan. However, learning from some of the lessons from our previous events, the ISGH board this year decided to issue financial assistance checks directly to our recipient families based on the family size allowing them to buy according to their needs and preferences. Our financial assistance staff worked hard round the clock to ensure we were able to disburse about \$250k to about 667 house-holds so that they could have a happy Ramadan. This included several families from non-ISGH Masajid including inner city masajid like Masjid Tawhid, Fifth Ward Islamic Center, Third Ward Islamic Center etc.

Our Fitra collections were at an all time high this year surpassing \$330k. Expecting a healthy collection this year, we ensured we started our disbursements of Fitra early through the Fitra cards that the community members receive every year. This year ISGH distributed about 1054 Fitra cards within

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the community with over 40% of those being new Afghan refugee families that have recently arrived in our city. This is no easy feat and is a significant increase from the number of cards we have issued in the past. We would like to thank our financial assistance department that made this possible along with the help of our local volunteers.

Our annual Share the Khair program was able to collect about \$100k that we disbursed to six different partner agencies to ensure our community was able to support international efforts through ISGH. The total amount collected was distributed evenly between Islamic Relief USA, Helping Hands, Syrian Forum USA, Indian Muslim Relief and Charities, United Hands Relief and Pure Hands Inc. Additionally, as we do every year, our first Friday was dedicated to fundraising for our IEIT schools. We successfully collected over \$29k for our Islamic Schools. This was used to help some of our schools in need of financial support.

Expansion of our Financial Assistance Department and Centralized Zakat Program

Alhamdulillah, the Centralized Zakah program that was started in 2020/2021 has been widely successful. As is evident in the earlier parts of the report that our community's needs have grown, and this centralization couldn't have come at a better time. It is a disservice to our community's most vulnerable families if we are not able to assist them as needed and with dignity. To keep up with the growing demand, we have expanded our Financial Assistance department to include the following individuals:



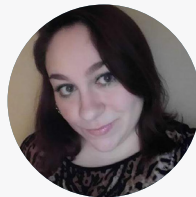
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Administrator



Rokaiya Shishani
Assistant

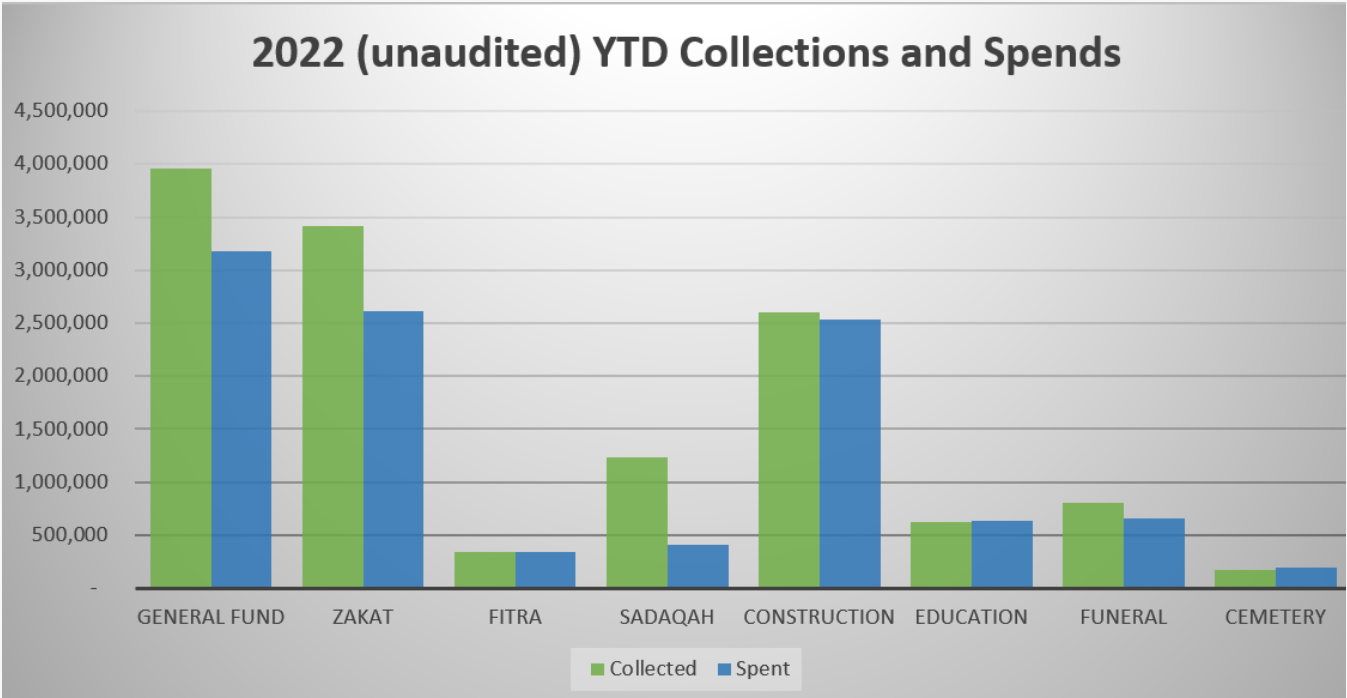
Funds	YTD 2022 (January - August) (Unaudited)	2022 YTD Percentage Allocation
General Fund Collected	3,955,172	
General Fund Spent	3,177,035	80%
Zakat Collected	3,420,392	
Zakat Spent	2,607,750	76%
Fitra Collected	342,347	
Fitra Spent	342,347	100%
Sadaqah Collected	1,230,211	
Sadaqah Spent	411,257	33%
Construction Collected	2,604,130	
Construction Spent	2,538,547	97%
Education Collected	625,252	
Education Spent	639,708	102%
Funeral Collected	799,469	
Funeral Spent	657,558	82%
Cemetery Collected	165,904	
Cemetery Spent	194,063	117%
YTD Collected	13,516,835	
YTD Dispensed	11,139,118	82%

However, our current office does not have the space to keep up with this growing need and hence as mentioned earlier, the Board approved setting up of a separate ISGH financial assistance office. We will be sharing details of this with the community soon and expect our Financial Assistance department to move there fully before the end of the year.

Audit

Due to the unfortunate incident last year, our annual external audit for the year 2020 took longer than it would normally have but Alhamdulillah we were able to wrap it up successfully. We are in the process of kicking off our annual external audit for the year 2021. The audit reports will be published on our membership portal like previous years for our members to review.

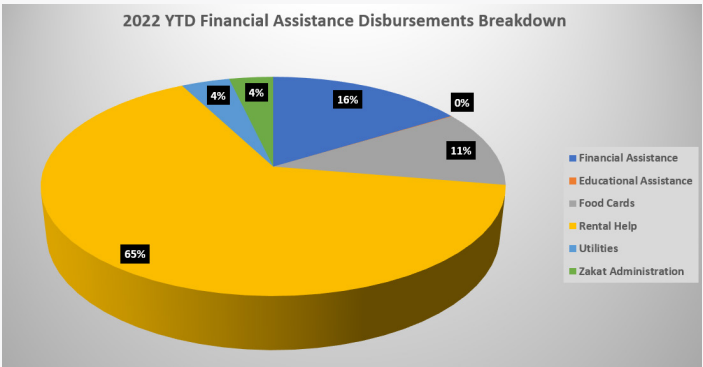
Our annual Share the Khair program was able to collect about \$100k



Concluding Remarks

Your organization ISGH continues to grow thanks to Allah first and foremost and then due to your generous support. It is you, the community members, that make it possible for us to provide a safe space to congregate and to support our most vulnerable families. In our quest to strive for organizational excellence, we continue to look for ways to professionalize our operations and provide the best service. We pray that Allah accepts from everyone involved in the organization be it in the past or in the present. We ask Allah to immensely bless our donors and supporters as we continue to excel as an organization and a community.

Jazakallah Khair.



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Financial Assistance	452,201	16%
Zakat	276,637	
Sadaqah	175,565	
Educational Assistance	1,845	0%
Food Cards	316,388	11%
Rental Help	1,799,700	65%
Utilities	111,802	4%
Zakat Administration	101,378	4%

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MAJLIS-E-SHURA - LEGISLATIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EXECUTIVE BODY

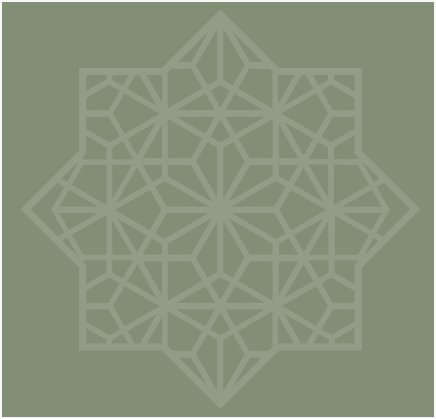
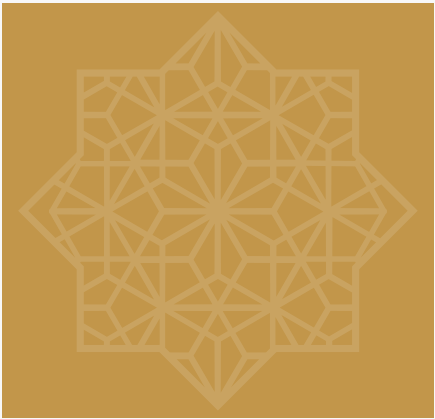
Ayman Kabire	<i>President</i>
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Faizan Atiq	<i>Treasurer</i>
Badar Alam	<i>General Secretary</i>

ZONAL DIRECTORS

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Azeema Rehman	<i>Northwest Zone</i>
Tauqir M. Sheikh	<i>South Zone</i>
Anwer Wadiwala	<i>Southwest Zone</i>
Ameer Alam	<i>Southeast Zone</i>

ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS

Khaled Arabi-Katbi	<i>Adel Road</i>	NORTH
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Nadir Tayyab	<i>Champions</i>	
Mohammad Salahuddin Ayubi	<i>Woodlands</i>	
Asim Sultan	<i>Bear Creek</i>	NORTHWEST
Selma Tameez	<i>Spring Branch</i>	
Yasin Sahib	<i>Katy</i>	
Imran Akhtar	<i>River Oaks</i>	SOUTHWEST
Khalfan Khalfan	<i>Mission Bend</i>	
Yasir Hilal	<i>New Territory</i>	
Najeed Ismail	<i>Synott</i>	
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Mohammad Elias Biswas	<i>Pearland</i>	
Muhammad Ali	<i>Highway 3</i>	
Javed Malik	<i>Brand Lane</i>	SOUTH



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Zakat &
Sadaqah



5 Full-time
Islamic Schools
& a Hifz
Academy



4 Free
Health
Clinics



Nikah
Services



Financial
Assistance



1,496 Students
in Weekend &
Weekday Islamic
Education



Funeral
Services for
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