

2023–2024 ANNUAL REPORT

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Together
for our
Community

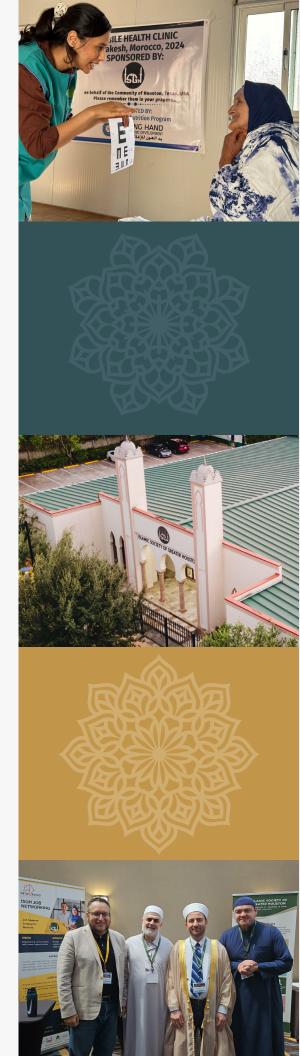


ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF GREATER HOUSTON

Over 50 Years of Service

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President's Message

Ayman Kabire

President

Dear ISGH Members, Supporters and Friends,

Assalam Aliekom wa RahmatuAllahi wa Barakatuh,

I pray that this message reaches you in the best state of Iman and well-being. On behalf of the Islamic Society of Greater Houston (ISGH), I would like to express our appreciation for your continued support and generosity. Your consistent support has enabled the many services and programs offered through ISGH that impacted the lives of Muslims in the Greater Houston area.

It is indeed an honor and a pleasure to present the ISGH Annual Report 2023 - 2024. The impact statements included in the report highlight

the services catered to address the hierarchy of needs within our community - "From the Cradle to the Grave." Your support was pivotal in helping us focus on key aspects of our mission "Faith, Service and Community" and continue to scale to the growing needs within the community.

A main focus for ISGH in 2024 has been to channel efforts around Islamic Education (mini-conferences and workshops) and recruitment of credentialed Imams and Religious Scholars to help nurture and develop our community. 4 Imams have joined the ISGH family (Katy, Synott, Champions and Brandlane) and we continue our national search to fill 3 more openings (Baytown, Pearland and Bear Creek).

This year marks my fourth year (and last) serving you as president of the organization. It has been a humbling experience and one that I will cherish forever. I want to thank you for your support, engagement and candid feedback throughout. I ask ALLAH to accept from all of those who have served over the years purely for His sake and forgive our shortcomings in discharging the responsibilities entrusted to us by the community, Ameen.

Lastly, I want to thank our Imams and Religious Scholars for their spiritual guidance and leadership, our Shura and Executive Body for their leadership in continuous organizational improvements, and our Associate Directors, Area Representatives, Committee Members, Volunteers and ISGH staff for their dedication and hard work.

With Gratitude,





Treasurer

Vice President

Abul Azad General Secretary

Vision and Mission





Serving the Community Since 1969

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

ISGH is most grateful for all of the volunteers who provide their time and leadership to the community. Every masjid has those who attend to the parking on Fridays, arrange hall seating for events, contact maintenance services when needed, participate in campus clean-up, coaching in youth sports, coordinating events, managing kitchen needs during events, participate in Ramadan planning and execution, food distribution, emergency relief and so much more. Below is a list of our central committees, some of which are a part of the ISGH operations and others are providing a service to the community.

Youth Sports Khutbah Funeral & Cemetery Construction Sisters Election **Education** Dawah Job Networking Membership **Imam Recruiting** Ghusl

ISGH also wants to give appreciation to our donors who not only support our local needs, but also our international support and relief efforts. May Allah (SWT) bless and reward all of our volunteers and donors. Ameen.

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Hurricane Beryl Relief Drives

In the aftermath of Hurricane Beryl, the power of community shined through as everyone came together in support of one another. With the help of our volunteers, ISGH Islamic Centers were able to provide hot meals and water to those impacted by the storm. In addition, masajid opened their doors as cooling centers for anyone without power.

Ramadan Drives

During Ramadan, ISGH Islamic Centers held various drives to feed the homeless, and distribute essential supplies to the refugee community. We thank our volunteers who made it possible!

20 Islamic Centers





1,871

Islamic Weekend School Enrollment

815

Quran Class Enrollment

124

Hifz School Enrollment





125 Shahdahs



🗐 **165** Nikkahs







Community Services

ISGH Centers used as Election Polling **Stations**

Health Fairs/Clinics & Flu Clinics

Food Distribution

Ramadan Iftar Distribution

Food Pantry

Relief Drives for Palestine, Yemen, and Bangladesh

Qurbani Meat Drive

Hygiene Kits for the Homeless

Clothing Drive

Self Development Workshops

Pre-Marriage Counseling Workshops







Dawah and Outreach

The Dawah effort includes Mail-Dawah (Qurans), Prison Dawah, Interfaith/ Outreach and New Muslims Support sub-committees, each of which have a committee chair. Our Prison Dawah program under recently appointed Director Yusuf Baker, MPhD has seen tremendous growth and success. ISGH is fully committed in providing healing, nurturing, and learning opportunities to inmates. Many of whom have embraced Islam as a new way of life. This has impacted many lives who have reestablished themselves as productive citizens of the country. By providing Islamic education, weekly Khateebs, Eid celebrations, Islamic literature including Qurans and pamphlets, has helped ISGH establish a strong footprint in the Texas prison system. (isgh.org/prisondawah).







Resources for New Muslims

ISGH still has a collaboration with The New Muslim Circle which provides formal education for new Muslims, with the class being held at the River Oaks Islamic Center and online for a broader reach. ISGH and AlMaghrib have also collaborated to provide a free subscription of Al Maghrib's "Faith Essentials" online class for new Muslims who take their shahadah at an ISGH masajid. Also provided to new Muslims is a gift bag with Quran, prayer books,



Taharah (Islamic hygiene) material, the ISGH calendar, prayer mats, kufis, and hijabs. Every new Muslim giving their shahadah at an ISGH facility will receive a welcome letter from our Religious Director and President.



NEW MUSLIMS CLASS TRUCTOR REHAN M. SAFIULLAH EVERY SATURDAY 10AM-12PM - LUNCH PROVIDED September 7 - December 14, 2024 River Oaks Islamic Center 3110 East Side Houston TX 77098

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STUDENTS FROM OUTSIDE **OF HOUSTON (Joined via Zoom)**



446

Central New Muslims **Class Enrollment**

(Fall, Spring, and Summer)



2,030

Ourans Distributed

Prison Units Visited Annually



3,200

Inmates Received Eid Al-Adha Meals

Jumu'ah Prayers Provided

Taleem Sessions Weekly

Community Education

The Education Committee formed to establish and provide programming that will bring awareness to critical issues within the Muslim community as well as seeking solutions and experts to pave a way to solve them. This will include:

Community Education & Islamic Literacy events geared towards educating and teaching the community essential aspects of not only their religion but also aspects of life such as financial & psycho-social skills required to be healthy Muslim adults.

Academic Islamic Learning to raise the standard of islamic education provided and also raise the level of islamic education in the general community through more academic courses and seminars.

Training geared towards teaching and training individuals to perform needed skills in the community such as janaza services (ghusl & burial & janaza prayer), khutbah (rules of khutbah & training the khateeb), Salah (adhan & leading salah), Zakaah (how to calculate and disburse your zakah, best practices and practice improvement), teacher training (islamic and weekend schools - Quran, Arabic, and islamic studies/tarbiyah).















RESCON 2024: First Annual Muslim African American Conference

21
Speakers

275
Attendees



Islamic History: The Muslim Ummah: Last 100 Years

With Shaykh AbdulHasib Noor

Islamic History: History of Aqsa & Palestine - With Shaykh AbdulHasib Noor

Family Programs & Seminar With Imam Dr. Asif Hirani

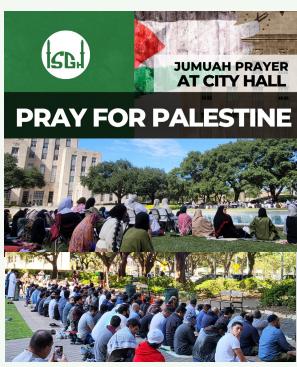
Janaza Workshop: Hamza Funeral Home, Masjid Maryam and Champions

Palestine Initiatives

The hearts and minds of Muslims around the world are heavy as we witness the genocide taking place against our brothers and sisters in Gaza. During these trying times the community continues to come together in raising awareness through education, lobbying elected officials for policy change, and supporting humanitarian aid efforts for our brothers and sisters.

With community support ISGH was awarded top donor from Fajr Scientific who has successfully treated over 2500 patients in Raffah and Khan Younis. Multiple buses were facilitated to the State Capitol in Austin taking community members to publicly show their support for our Palestinian Brothers and Sisters. Pick up for Palestine; a basketball tournament led by our youth was set up with the purpose of donating all raised funds to the Palestinian cause. Additionally a billboard to publicly condemn the genocide was sponsored and a Pray for Palestine Jummah was held infront of Houston City Hall.







Buses Organized from ISGH Centers to the Texas State Capitol





Pickup For Palestine

Hosted by ISGH, Masjid Hamza, Helping Hand USA, and Students for Refugees Proceeds went towards Helping Hand Relief and Development's emergency relief efforts in Palestine.

Amount Raised

\$4769.81

14 Teams

67 Players

20 Volunteers





Sisters Committee & Youth Programs

In 2023 the ISGH Sisters Committee was formed with the Goal of providing opportunities for women to learn skills while volunteering and attending community events.



Currently there are 9 Islamic Centers participating and the structure with roles has been established. To determine program content for sisters and youth girls a city-wide survey was held, analyzed and the topics are being selected. These topics have been grouped under Mental/Emotional/Physical Health, Healthy Marriage and Education. Contact Leads, WhatsApp Group and individual Masjid groups have been established. A total of 21 events have taken place that include Family Health, Education in Self-Development, Leadership Training and Core Team Building.

1,200 Sisters Committee Members

1,500 Volunteer Hours



740 New Reach Out & Program Visibility

615 Program Attendance





isghsportsleague.com



ISGH Youth Sports League (Sisters and Brothers)



The 2023 Youth Basketball league was a fun and busy year with time off being taken in the fall to get ready for the 2024 season. A new age category 18-25 Boys was introduced and received very well. The sister's worked hard to establish their 10-25 Girls category but we could only pull together one team. Preliminary rounds started in February at Masjid Hamza for boys and girls who had a wonderful weekend. March brought the Game Finals and YFBH girls and Sabireen Boys won. Both teams were awarded a 2 tier trophy. Hamza 9-13 won Gold Medals, and Al-Salam 18-25 also won Gold Medals. An Islamic Games Tournament was held in Dallas with Masjid Maryam participating taking home a 1st place and 2nd place victory.

The month of May brought the Summer Season with the finals taking place in August. Congratulations to the following teams for winning their division:

Boys 9-13 Sabireen | Boys 14-18 Synott | Girls 13-18 Hamza

In April, the ISGH Soccer League kicked off. A committee was formed and have an interest from 7 masajid to start in the fall. Insha Allah this will be for boys and girls.



Khutbahs and Khateebs are our flagship in sharing knowledge with the community.

2,336 Khutbahs

Job Networking





700 Volunteer Hours470+ Program Attendance



5,000+ Outreach and Program Visibility
80+ Resumes Made
6 Classes Offered

Events	Number of Events	Number Registered	Attendance
Career/Education	12	544	262
Resume/Job Fair	2	169	110
Networking	2	100	100
Total	16	813	472

Our Mission is to "Provide resources and networking opportunities to all for employment and career growth for a better community".

Job Networking (JN) promotes networking and synergy within the community, with hiring companies and through workshops. JN provides training/coaching through webinars, online classes, and disseminate strategies and skills necessary for job acquisition. JN has established the foundation for a mentorship program and collaborates with non-ISGH organizations like An Nisa, DARA, ICNA Relief, Test Prep Pundits and MCC. This gives JN the Reach across Houston, develops Unity (ISGH and non-ISGH), and allows JN to provide a product offering that includes the following that makes Job Networking Unique:



- Financial Assistance
 Case Management
- Driving School
 Classes
- Full-time and Weekend Schools
 ESL Program
 Computer Literacy
- Other Support Services
 Immigration attorney recommendations
 Interview prep
 Resume writing

ISGH provides Khateebs for 23 centers holding multiple Khutbahs, 6 of which are non-ISGH centers. Beyond our Imam's, all are volunteers and we want to take this time to appreciate their willingness and time they give, and also may Allah reward their employers for giving them the extra time on Fridays. The Khutbah Committee provides two training workshops annually and the last workshop was in Katy Masjid Aqsa with the next workshop to be held at Bear Creek Masjid Mustafa. The Khutbah platform reaches more Muslimeen than any other educational platform and it is important to receive feedback of the Khateeb and Khutbah quality. You can find the ISGH "Rate the Khateeb" evaluation form on the ISGH website under Services/Khutbah.







Funeral and Cemetery

The Funeral and Cemetery services is supported by a dedicated staff, a Funeral and Cemetery Committee and a dedicated volunteer team. The team of volunteers is split into two groups, one focusing on ghusl services and the other focusing on maintaining the cemetery grounds.

CEMETERY PROJECTS:



The walkways in Phase 1 of the cemetery have been completed, providing safe and comfortable paths that prevent people from stepping on graves. Planning for the driveway and walkways in Phase 2 is underway.





Security Enhancements:

Solar-powered security cameras have been installed throughout the cemetery grounds, recording all activities. The front gate camera setup is in progress and will be operational soon.

Living Space and Public Bathrooms:

A 40-foot container has been converted into a finished living space with separate public bathrooms for men and women. Power finalization is in progress, and the space will soon be ready for full-time hired help to maintain the cemetery grounds.





FUNERAL HOME IMPROVEMENTS:

Funeral Vehicles:

Installation of cameras and tracking devices on funeral vehicles, enhancing visibility and safety.

Bilal Funeral Home:

Installed new body coolers at Bilal Funeral Home.

Abu Bakr Masjid Funeral Home - Construction of Abu Bakr Masjid Funeral Home (Hwy 3) is underway and in the final stages. This will be a significant addition to funeral services in the southeast community. The construction is advancing smoothly, and we anticipate its completion in the coming months (isgh.org/funeralhome).

Waller Masjid - Construction on the Waller Masjid has begun. Concrete has been poured, and the framing has started. As we address design and permitting issues, construction will continue. The Mosque will be built in front of the cemetery grounds, and we look forward to its completion, which will further serve our community. (isgh.org/Waller).



Number of 2023 Funerals 2024

359

286

NUMBER OF BURIALS: 332 (2023)

262 (2024 YTD)

Over 750 Burials in **ISGH Muslim Cemetery**





Central Construction

During 2023 and YTD 2024, there have been multiple projects started. Below are briefs on each project that are in the planning, design or construction phase:

ISGH MUSLIM CEMETERY: Completed construction activities on this project, closeout in progress. Awaiting re-calculations of Storm Drainage (isgh.org/Cemetery).

WALLER MUSALLAH: Site work completed, Slab poured, under slab plumbing completed, Building Steel and roof erected (isgh.org/Waller).

HWY 3 ABU BAKR FUNERAL HOME: Project construction is substantially complete. All inspections completed except the final inspection. Awaiting on Center Point to provide power and meter. Drainage design and pouring of driveway to be completed (isgh.org/funeralhome).



- Spring Branch Islamic Center: The new building modifications design completed and construction bids received.

 Award of the contract in progress.
- Cypress Islamic Center: Phase II parking area is complete. Septic Tanks installed. Awaiting to decide on next phase of Community Center phase to start construction.

 Preparing to bid this out (isgh.org/Cypress).
- Masjid Aqsa: Replat of Katy property has also been signed allowing ISGH to moveforward with connecting the facility to the district water and sewer lines (Aqsamasjidkaty.com/donations).

Southwest Zone

- **River Oaks Islamic Center:** ROIC redevelopment project activities were ongoing. The project has been put on HOLD.
- Maryam Islamic Center: Foundation and slab work completed. Construction is in progress. Multipurpose Hall construction Project.
 - Masjid At-Taqwa: Construction is near completion. Dome Construction.
 - Masjid Hamza: Community Building Façade redevelopment in design phase. Soccer Field design and construction completed. Crush Concrete parking area is under construction.



North Zone

Masjid As Salam: Senior's Lounge construction is complete. Masjid Clinic- Permit drawings approved. Two Story School Building Architectural Design contract has been awarded and in progress.

Masjid Al Ansaar: Proposal to expand parking area. Community is raising funds to meet approval criteria.



South Zone

Everest Academy: Contract awarded, Loop road completed. Construction has begun.

Masjid Ayesha: Plans are about 85% complete for the design proposal.

Southeast Zone

Pearland Islamic Center: The bids for expansion of Masjid addition have been received. Review and award is in progress.

Fatwa Council & Islamic Institute of Knowledge (IIK)

The ISGH offers Fatwa and religious guidance services to community members.

Fatwa Hotline: Using the number 346-542-0233, people call during the time 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. An ISGH-assigned Imam and an Islamic scholar answer their queries.

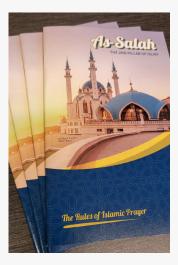
Weekly Live Fatwa Sessions are held every Wednesday at noon via Zoom. During the live session, Shaikh Salah Asawi, the chair of the Isgh Fatwa council, and the secretary general of AMJA provide the answers. This program includes Shaikh Dr. Basem Hameed and Imam Dr. Ehteshamul Haque. On average, 10-15 questions are answered during the online session, and the team is working to compile all the fatawa together and make them available for the seekers of Islamic knowledge.



Al-Hamdu-lillah, 2023-24 we have completed another year of Islamic work. Major publications of the Institute, namely 'Al-Qur'an - the Guidance for Mankind," English Translation of the meanings of Al-Qur'an, have been well received by the Muslims as well as non-Muslim entities throughout the United States and other countries including Canada, United Kingdom, United Arab Emirates, Australia, India, Singapore, Indonesia, South Africa, Bangladesh and Malaysia but the quantities of distribution was tremendously affected. Other offerings include Al-Qur'an Software, Al-Salat booklet, Al-Wasiyyah software, Al-Zakat software and Al-Dawah booklet.



We are pleased to share that we have received very valuable input, revision and improvement relating to our Spanish Edition from Spanish speaking communities in Mexico, Panama, Nicaragua and other South American countries. It has been revised and retype set for revised publication. Its cover is similar to English, however, green color is the base color and inside printing is in two colors – text and side notes are separated by a beautiful green border.





Number of Countries Reached

Number of Languages
Provided

IIK Trustees appreciate the help, contributions and cooperation of all our brothers and sisters including ISGH Shura, Islamic Centers, Masajid and other organizations in our mission of conveying 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.

36,000

Number of —

Qurans Published













Amount of Literature Distributed

Our Islamic Schools











Everest Academy continued to make progress on its instructional and strategic priorities in the 2023-24 school year.

- It has enhanced its STEM and academic curricula
- Adopted NWEA MAP assessment tool able to provide student level growth recommendations
- Students' achievement scores for Everest were impressive versus State and National levels. STAAR scores were also well above average
- EA Middle School Students lead weekly Juma Khutbahs enhancing their leadership, public speaking skills, and religious knowledge
- Monthly Character Trait Focus has strengthened character education
- On the Construction front, the foundation for 10,000 SF expansion was poured. The completion date now iA is middle of November, delayed due to hurricane and persistent rain.

ILM Academy graduated eleven 8th-graders this past May. Our graduates have gone on to public and private high schools including DeBakey, Carnegie Vanguard, Awty International, the Village School, and many others. Our alumni are leaders in their schools and colleges with several students holding leadership positions as well as starting their own organizations to serve the community.

This year, ILM has developed a comprehensive 5-year plan to integrate STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) into our curriculum for grades 1-8.



ILM Academy has recently acquired a new property that will serve as the future home for our Montessori and Early Childcare programs. The school is in the process of raising funds to remodel the property to meet the needs of the school. This expansion will allow us to double our capacity from infants through grade 5, thereby better serving the community, reducing our waitlist, and ensuring greater stability for the school in the long run.

Darul Arqam Academy North (DUAAN) graduated 14 seniors in May. Like every year our students are admitted to some of the top-ranking Universities and at times receive full scholarships. This year two students received full scholarships from Univ. of Houston and University of Texas-NB Dallas. DUAAN started providing nutritious breakfast and Lunch funded by the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and NCI Workforce Solution Day Care Assistance to parents with children in Pre-School.

Houston Peace Academy (HPA) has seen rapid growth in its enrollment since 2018 re-start. Alhamdulillah, in the 23-24 school year, 119 students graduated to the next level of their education journey - almost twice that of 22-23. HPA looks forward to a similar increase in enrollment in 24-25, driving the need for additional facilities. **HPA introduced several initiatives to enhance the school's offering:**

- Updated the ELA and Science curriculums.
- For the first time, Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) was introduced in the classroom.
- HPA partnered with the Children Museum's STEM Program.
- Several enrichment programs were offered, Taekwondo, Archery, and Soccer.
- HPA graduated the largest 5th grade class of 16 students since its start in 2010.

We invite people to see what IEIT Schools have to offer and to be a part of this growing institution. We take pride in fostering the next generation of knowledgeable, ethical, and well-rounded individuals.





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School	Students			Students			
School	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23	%vs 23-24	%vs 22-23		
Everest Academy	543	514	494	6%	10%		
DUAA North	300	280	260	7%	15%		
ILM Academy	215	211	211	2%	2%		
Houston Peace Academy	134	119	69	13%	94%		
DUAA SE	15	15	15	0%	0%		
Hamd Inst.	100	71	33	41%	203%		
Maryam Quran Academy (MQA)	40	35	33	14%	21%		
Total IEIT	1,347	1,245	1,115	8%	21%		

Our Partners in Community Service

By working together, we can raise the impact, both within our community and internationally. ISGH ensures volunteers, recipient registrations and Masjid facilities are ready for distribution and resource support.

Making an Impact Together



University of Houston Muslim Student Association

UH Muslim Student Association and ISGH are in the 4th year of partnership with ISGH sponsoring the Chaplaincy Program, which provides mentorship for young brothers and sisters, lectures, and Khutbahs



\$5,500 Total Raised during Ramadan for Student Iftaars and Tent



AlMaghrib Institute

ISGH in collaboration with AlMaghrib provides a free subscription to new muslims that take their Shahadah at an ISGH Masjid.



Free Subscription to "Faith Essentials" Online class.

Learn to read the Quran, Lectures, Commonly Asked Questions, and more!

Bangladesh Relief

Funds were raised for those impacted by the devestating floods in Bangladesh. The amount will go to partner organizations working on the ground to help the flood victims.





Dar-us-Sakina

Dar-us-Sakina and ISGH continued the partnership, with Dar-us-Sakina providing 15 certified "Special Needs" teachers within the ISGH Weekend Islamic Schools. This partnership has allowed 97 students the equal opportunity to learn with their peers.

15 Certified Special Need Teachers 97 Students Served (YTD)







RAHMA

Share the Khair

Fair Scientific Pure Hands Inc. Baitulmaal Rahma Worldwide

\$330,570 Total Raised













QURBANI MEAT DISTRIBUTION



2,800 lbs

Meat Distributed amonast 1,000 people

Islamic Relief and ISGH collaborated in multiple events including the Qurbani distribution and Day of Dignity.

Day of Dignity recipients 500+ of Wellcare services & distributions



500 Backpacks Distributed 500

School Supply Kits Distributed



800 Hot Meals

Distributed

500

Hygiene Kits Distributed



Volunteers





Membership & Election Committee

This year the membership team focused on increasing new membership by having the phone membership drive in the months of May and June. ISGH Islamic Centers also held Friday membership drives, and distributed flyers with information about how to sign-up and membership benefits.

The new Blackbaud membership database was implemented in January 2024. Efforts are still underway to increase efficiency and create a better user experience for members. To accomodate the growing number of members and inquiries, a Part-time position for a Membership Specialist has been posted.

Discounts to the MASCON and local masjid events were also offered to ISGH Members.

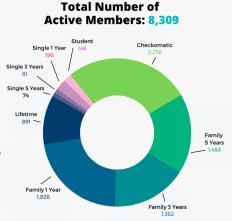


ISGH Phone Membership Drive

11

Volunteers

40 Volunteer Hours











ISGH Election Commission 2023

The 2023 ISGH General Elections were conducted by strict adherence to the ISGH Constitution & Bylaws. Once again, the Simply Voting Election System was used to conduct the elections. The Guidelines & Procedures for the 2023 Elections were approved by the ISGH Shura and implemented by the Election Commission (EC); they were posted on the ISGH Elections 2023 webpage.

The EC had continuously maintained the posture, and was strict in adherence to the same, that the ONLY official conduit for any "official" announcement and/or any "official" information from EC would be Elections 2023 webpage. It was intended that the ISGH Membership should develop a habit to routinely visit the ISGH website. The Elections 2023 webpage was developed during September and was launched September 29th 2023.





Financial Assistance Services

Our mission is "To serve Allah through the collection of Zakat and Sadaga and meeting the rights of those facing economic hardship with effective financial assistance, and bringing dignity to their household.

The Financial Assistance office is currently providing assistance for 880 families per month and averages 51 visitors per day. Our assistance support includes rental, ISGH food cards used at designated Islamic stores, utilities, vehicle purchase assistance when transportation is needed for work, education assistance and funeral services. Our demographics served are made up of the following:

38% are single females (divorced, widowed, separated) 26% new applicants of which 9% are new refugee arrivals 13% are seniors age 64 and above

12% are couples with a family status of 5 plus members 11% are single males whose greatest barrier is language

May Allah bless and make it easy for those in need.





\$314K **Federal Grant** Sadaga Assistance

\$358,100 Ramadan Fitra Distributed

930 Average Number of Families Assisted Monthly in 2023

Each Month 880

Average Families Assisted Monthly in 2024 YTD

Food Rent **Utilities Critical Needs Education Transportation** Costs



2,324 Unique Families Assisted in 2023

2,165 Unique Families
Assisted 2024 YTD

\$5.4M

Total Assistance in 2023

\$3.3M



Total Assistance 2024 YTD



Education Assistance (Weekend School, Quran Class, IEIT)



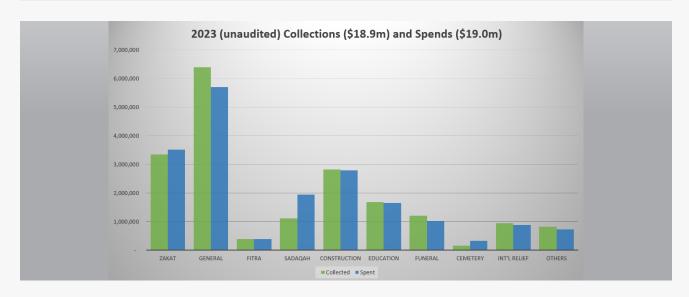
\$66,150 Funeral/Cemetery **Assistance**

Treasurer's Report

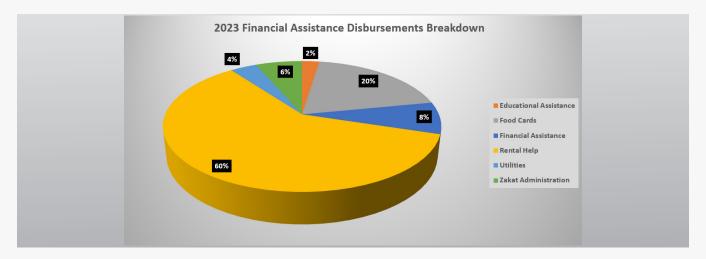
Financial Overview for 2024

As we present our annual report in September, while operating on a calendar year basis, we aim to provide relevant information despite the incomplete fiscal year. In 2025, our process will change to providing the annual report for the previous fiscal year going forward.

Funds	2023 (Unaudited)	2023 Percentage	2022 (Audited)	2022 YTD Percentage
		Allocation		Allocation
General Fund Collected	6,398,602		4,682,664	
General Fund Spent	5,701,623	89%	4,686,909	100%
Zakat Collected	3,344,506		4,648,340	
Zakat Spent	3,520,521	105%	5,168,891	111%
Fitra Collected	396,602		346,292	
Fitra Spent	396,602	100%	346,292	100%
Sadaqah Collected	1,113,580		1,688,631	
Sadaqah Spent	1,951,565	175%	707,421	42%
Construction Collected	2,828,888		3,571,884	
Construction Spent	2,789,899	99%	3,442,201	96%
Education Collected	1,683,682		1,160,562	
Education Spent	1,650,241	98%	1,134,524	98%
Funeral Collected	1,210,573		1,138,856	
Funeral Spent	1,030,167	85%	1,113,956	98%
Cemetery Collected	157,601		200,372	
Cemetery Spent	332,623	211%	229,426	115%
Int'l Relief Collected	948,775		369,638	
Int'l Relief Spent	882,044	93%	367,907	100%
YTD Collected	18,901,368		18,304,098	
YTD Dispensed	18,978,855	100%	17,808,730	97%



Funds	2023 (Unaudited)	2023 Percentage Allocation	2022 (Audited)	2022 Percentage Allocation
Educational Assistance	140,410	2%	41,435	1%
Food Cards	1,146,474	20%	908,490	15%
Financial Assistance	463,404	8%	780,382	13%
Rental Help	3,522,150	60%	3,973,388	64%
Utilities	216,742	4%	230,773	4%
Zakat Administration	379,407	6%	288,135	5%

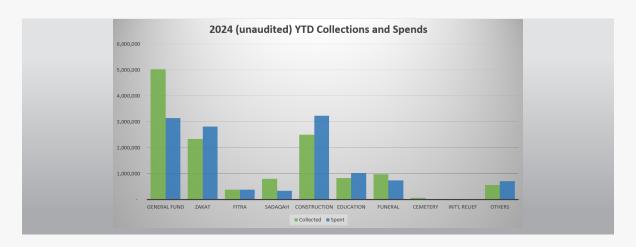


Recovery and Growth

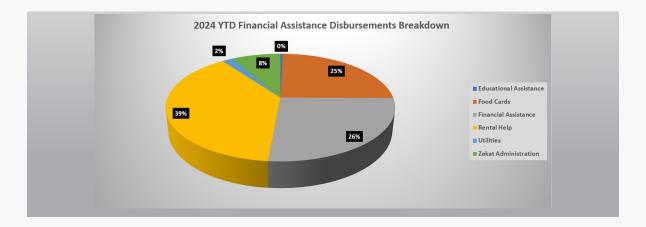
2024 has thus far demonstrated a strong recovery for the majority of our Islamic Centers (ICs). We are gradually overcoming the financial challenges posed by the COVID-19 era. With few exceptions, most of our masjids are maintaining positive cash flows. Alhamdulelah.

Funds	YTD 2024 (January - July) (Unaudited)	2024 YTD Percentage Allocation
General Fund Collected	5,031,438	
General Fund Spent	3,150,948	63%
Zakat Collected	2,338,472	
Zakat Spent	2,815,200	120%
Fitra Collected	385,245	
Fitra Spent	385,245	100%
Sadaqah Collected	799,289	
Sadaqah Spent	339,970	43%
Construction Collected	2,506,229	
Construction Spent	3,229,646	129%
Education Collected	834,556	
Education Spent	1,019,013	122%
Funeral Collected	976,248	
Funeral Spent	742,117	76%
Cemetery Collected	73,811	
Cemetery Spent	23,727	32%
Int'l Relief Collected	-	
Int'l Relief Spent	-	#DIV/0!
YTD Collected	13,497,915	
YTD Dispensed	12,413,070	92%

Treasurer's Report



	YTD 2024	2024 YTD
Funds	(January - July)	Percentage
	(Unaudited)	Allocation
Educational Assistance	14,894	0%
Food Cards	874,669	25%
Financial Assistance	931,331	26%
Rental Help	1,363,709	39%
Utilities	64,694	2%
Zakat Administration	291,118	8%



Financial Challenges

While we are optimistic about sustaining this positive trend, rising expenses across all areas present ongoing challenges. Our masjids are not immune to the current economic environment, with increasing operational costs potentially impacting the buffer balances we aim to maintain for each facility.

Charitable Activities

Sadaqa for Needy

We have continued to ensure the efficient distribution of funds from our Sadaqa for Needy accounts. Regular disbursements for education, funeral expenses, and vehicle purchases for those in need have been made.

Share the Khair Program

Our annual Share the Khair program, which allocates Zakat collections from a designated Friday in Ramadan to global crisis areas, focused on Gaza and Yemen this year. We have fully distributed the Yemen collection and 35% of the Gaza funds for medical supplies to the civilian population before border closures. The remaining Gaza funds are held in a restricted account, pending the ability of reliable, vetted relief organizations to resume humanitarian work.

Social Services

Our central social services office has experienced another busy year, addressing the needs of an increased number of refugees and individuals seeking financial assistance.

Give your Zakat Locally - isgh.org/Zakat Give your Sadaqa Locally - isgh.org/Sadaqa



Islamic Centers at a Glance

NORTH ZONE

Woodlands Islamic Center Masjid Al-Ansaar ALANSAARMASJID.ORG

Al Ansaar had several achievements in the last year with initiatives for Palestine that included two food drives, clothing/blanket drives and participated in both Houston and Austin protests. Other achievements included a food drive for the refugees in Houston, Senior recognition, family nights, Islamic Arts workshops, boys khutbah workshops, essay writing workshops, youth lock-in events, campus sports and sisters committee networking.



On the education front we hold a successful weekend school, Islamic programs for children, youth and adults, mental health programs, college prep/assistance programs, CIVIC programs, legal assistance and Islamic burial ghusl workshop. Dawah and Outreach is a mainstay at Al Ansaar and a strong focus of our Imam. This is coupled with a New Muslims Class, prison dawah, Quran distribution, Interfaith Ministries and chaplaincy.

Facility improvements included the multi-purpose hall getting a new floor, remodeling and upgrades in the bathroom sink cabinets.







40 Youth Programs

40 Family Nights



Weekend Islamic School Enrollment

15 Children Quran Class 27 Adult Quran Class

Cypress Islamic Center CYPRESSISLAMICCENTER.ORG

At Cypress Islamic Center there are various programs throughout the month for the community. This includes family nights with talks which cover topics from spiritual, social, and mental health perspective, Mommy and Me program for sisters with infants, breakfast for men after the Quran recitation class, weekly iftar on Mondays.

Our weekend Islamic school registration has increased this year from 80 students to 100 students! We have a dedicated team of volunteers to teach and administer the Sunday School activities including holding a summer camp for kids (Calligraphy, cooking etc.) We have weekly Nazirah and Hifz classes for the kids, with an average of 20 students, a Quran tafseer class for adults every Wednesday before Isha prayer (men and women), and daily khatirahs by our Imam at Fajr and Isha. We also held four major dawah events.

In 2023 we completed our parking lot with 250 parking spaces.



Weekend Islamic School Enrollment



20 Nazirah Enrollment

10 Hifz School Enrollment

30 Adult Quran Class Enrollment





Adel Road Islamic Center Masiid Bilal MASJIDBILALNZ.ORG

Masjid Bilal on Adel Road shares the campus with the Darul Argam North formal school that holds classes from K to 12th grade (300 students). We have an active weekend Islamic school (60 students) and mature Quran, Hifz and Nazirah classes with 110 students.





Every Friday is Family Nights and other events include two annual carnivals, Halal Food Festival, youth nights, basketball league participation and "youth of the month" recognition. Community programs include food drives in partnership with Islamic Relief and ICNA, as well as Palestinian initiatives that included fundraising and collaboration efforts. Other services include being an election polling station and a shelter for those in need of shelter during the Hurricane Beryl aftermath.

Facility improvements included a new WiFi system, multimedia enhancements, displays, sound system and a live streaming platform.



Weekend Islamic

12 Family Nights

60 Nazirah Enrollment 40 Hifz School Enrollment 10 Adult Quran Class Enrollment

Champions Islamic Center Masjid Al-Salam ALSALAMMASJID.ORG

Masjid Al-Salam continued our sponsorship of holding two umrah trips, one during November and the 2nd in Ramadan. Going forward we will put these trips under the banner of ISGH for city-wide participation. Our halaqa's cover Aqeedah, Seerah, Aklaq and Tarbiyah for various age groups. Sisters' mentorship classes continue, and Quran Hifz/Nazirah classes are available for children and sisters. Quran classes for revert sisters are also offered. A total of 20 workshops were held covering so many interesting topics aimed at enhancing one's knowledge, Islamic practice and nurturing one's iman.



We hold a very successful weekend Islamic school and have on our campus the Houston Peace Academy a formal education school from early childcare to 5th grade. In our programing we include civic engagements with political candidates, Dawah and Outreach, youth





programs including multiple sport classes, seniors activities, sports field activities,

indoor sporting activities, Boy Scouts which hosted the Muslim Scouts Merit Badge University with over 200 scouts from various troops in attendance, matrimonial events, relief efforts including Gaza relief and protest support, festivals, college scholarships and "Champion of the Month" recognition for community service. In August 2024, we welcomed our new Religious Scholar, Dr. Aburahman Hejazi to our Champions Community.



Islamic Centers at a Glance

NORTHWEST ZONE

Bear Creek Islamic Center Masjid Al-Mustafa BEARCREEKIC.ORG

We have just enjoyed our 2nd year in our new Masjid. Our weekend school has 56 students and we share the campus with Hamd Institute who provide Quran studies. Programs include "once a month" Family Nights, 2 annual community carnivals, 2 annual Halal Food Festivals and 10 Youth Night events. Other initiatives include local and state Pro-Palestine events. We are also a Harris County polling station.











16 Family Nights

Katy Islamic Center Masjid Aqsa AQSAMASJIDKATY.COM

This year, we welcomed Imam Zaid Noor, our full-time Imam, to Masjid Aqsa. He leads prayers, engages with community members to understand their needs, and builds stronger relationships. The Imam delivers a daily khatira and a weekly lecture covering the 40 Hadith. We introduced the "Fajr Club" to our community programs. Held on Saturdays at Fajr time, this initiative offers various activities to engage and interest kids in coming to the masjid. After the activities, a communal breakfast is served to encourage socialization.

Additionally, we offer Boy Scouts programs, halaqas, a ladies fitness club, pickleball, family nights, and more.

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At Aqsa we have a Quran Academy M-Th with 70 students, a weekend Islamic school and summer camp. Additionally, we are collaborating with the Hamd Institute to offer a one-week intensive Deen program for teens.

The new soccer field is completed with two fields, lighting for the parking lot has been enhanced

and the city sewage connection is now underway which will allow us to continue our masjid building expansion plans.



70 Quran Academy Enrollment







NORTHWEST ZONE

Spring Branch Islamic Center

The Spring Branch Islamic Center focuses on formal and weekend school education. The Ilm Academy is a formal school and a part of the ISGH subsidiary, the Islamic Education Institute of Texas, and has 211 students enrolled and many on the waiting list. A new campus was acquired in 2023 which will accommodate the student growth. We also have a very successful weekend school with over 150 students enrolled and are proud to share that we have a partnership with Dar-us-Sakina who provides certified teachers for "special needs" children.





150 Weekend School Enrollment

SOUTH ZONE

Brand Lane Islamic Center Masjid As-Sabireen BRANDLANEIC.COM

Brand Lane Islamic Center has had a fruitful year, successfully facilitating programs and special events for the community on topics such as social, political, spiritual, mental, and life skills. Weekly programs are held providing a nurturing environment that fosters



Islamic education, community service, and spiritual growth for all ages.

Masjid Al-Sabireen Brand lane Islamic Center is home to Everest Academy which is a full-time Islamic school, a vibrant weekend school, and Hifdh, Nazirah and Quran Academy programs for adults and children. Additionally, the BLIC Dawah and Outreach efforts are active with facilitating interfaith group visits and events for new Muslims.











359 Weekend School Enrollment

- 30 Children's Quran Class
- **30** Quran Academy Enrollment
- **30** Nazirah Enrollment

- 20 Adult Ouran Class
- 4 Hifz School Enrollment



40 Interfaith Group Visits

- **40** Family Nights
- **26** Youth Programs

Islamic Centers at a Glance

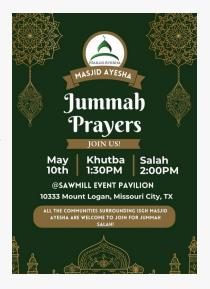
SOUTH ZONE

Masjid Ayesha

Masjid Ayesha is the newest Islamic Center under ISGH leadership and was only assigned their very first Council and Associate Director in 2024. With humble beginnings as a Musalla supported by Brand Lane Islamic Center, Masjid Ayesha's growth is a testament that Muslims are flourishing in the Greater Houston Area. In a few short months the community has already formed vital committees overseeing Quranic education, youth engagement, sisters halaqa, fundraising and construction.

The Masjid Ayesha Community is planning to break ground on their new building by the end of 2024 Insha Allah. By the grace and guidance of Allah, the first conversion to Islam at Masjid Ayesha took place in early July 2024; a historic moment for not only the Ayesha Islamic Center members, but rather the entire Muslim community in Houston.

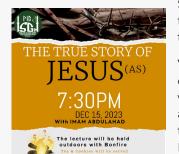
"Masjid Ayesha is the newest Islamic Center under ISGH leadership"



SOUTHEAST ZONE

Pearland Islamic Center PICISCH.ORG

Pearland Islamic Center is home to a vibrant community with growing weekend school, Quran Nazirah and Quran Hifdh programs. The number of students enrolled in Quran programs increased from 18 in 2023 to 40 in 2024, Alhamdulillah. PIC has an integrated Dar-us- Sakina Weekend



School Program providing certified "Special Needs" teachers ensuring every child has an opportunity to participate.

Visit PIC on any given Saturday and have a full day of activities. Start your day praying Fajr with the community and taking part in Fajr Club activities, enjoy soccer, table tennis or cricket throughout the day and close out by joining the Family Potluck.





40 Quran Academy Enrollment

110 Weekend School Enrollment

4 Hifz School Enrollment



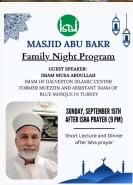
SOUTHEAST ZONE

Hwy 3 Islamic Center Masjid Abu Bakr

Masjid Abu Bakr HWY 3 Islamic Center has weekly Quran Tafseer, memorization and recitation classes for adults and Quran Nazirah and Hifdh programs for 6 - 18 year olds multiple times a week. Families in the community unite weekly to share a meal and have a spiritual reminder and the youth have weekly tailored Halaqa and sports activities.

Significant renovations have recently taken place at Masjid Abu Bakr including Brothers and Sisters Prayer Hall extensions, renovation to 5 classrooms, the gym and the Community Hall and a revamp of administrative office spaces. The Abu Bakr Funeral Home is 80% complete and will be open for services very soon Insha Allah.







SOUTHWEST ZONE

Synott Islamic Center Masjid At-Taqwa MasjidattaQwa.com

The Masjid At- Taqwa Synott Islamic Center is home to an active community involved in educational, outreach and community service initiatives. Food drives are held every 1st, 2nd and 3rd Saturday of the month in collaboration with the Houston Food Bank and their inhouse community managed food pantry. On average 350 families are assisted throughout the month and this year 650 plus families benefited from Synott Islamic Centers Qurbani Meat distribution initiative after Eid ul Adha.

Comprehensive seminars led by subject matter experts on various topics such as leadership, career guidance,







parenting challenges, rights as a US Citizen and domestic abuse have been facilitated. Interfaith and Outreach efforts are also extensive at Synott Islamic Center with church groups from all over Houston visiting monthly. In September 2024, we welcomed Imam Makeen Chowdhury as our Youth Director and Junior Imam.



80 Weekend School Enrollment



12 Interfaith Group Visits

70 Nazirah Enrollment

12 Family Nights

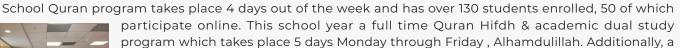
3 Youth Programs

Islamic Centers at a Glance

SOUTHWEST ZONE

Mission Bend Islamic Center Masjid Hamza ISGHMASJIDHAMZA.COM

Masjid Hamza Mission Bend Islamic Center facilitates various spiritual, educational and community service initiatives for the community. The vibrant After-



comprehensive Summer Camp was launched in the Summer of 2024 with a curriculum

encompassing Quranic studies, Islamic education, physical wellness and STEM.

The Mission Bend Islamic Center leadership and management has facilitated the placement of young professionals into key decision making roles which their academic and career paths align with, such as construction, engineering and educational development. The Youth at Masjid Hamza are active in leading vital committees such as the Major Events, Announcements and Media. Community Service initiatives are consistent at Masjid Hamza, and through their partnership with the Houston

Food Bank more than 500 families a month are served. A large health fair was held in the community center aimed to share resources that promote health and wellness within the community.



Weekend Islamic School Enrollment 133 Children Quran Class 13 Hifz School Enrollment

8 Youth Programs

Maryam Islamic Center MARYAMMASJID.ORG

Maryam Islamic Center, an establishment of the greater Fort Bend area has a strong focus on education and development. Offerings for learning the Quran include full-time and part-time Hifdh al-Qur'an, Qur'an Nadhira (reading & recitation), and Qā'ida Nūrāniyya (elementary reading skills) programs. MIC Weekend School currently



serves 400 students with an option of Saturday or Sunday classes going over Islamic Studies and Quran. At Maryam Islamic Center the Youth Education, Interfaith Education, Female Education and Community Programming Departments facilitate strategic implementation of programs and initiatives in order to





create meaningful change. Throughout the year more than 1,000 families receive non-perishable goods through the MIC Food Pantry.

In efforts to ensure future generations have an established Masjid that promotes educational development and civic engagement Maryam Masjid is currently building a 15,000 sq ft Community Center Facility. The foundation, core and shell of the facility have been completed in phase 1 and 2 of the

project and bids for phase 3 are ongoing with estimated completion of the project in Q2 of 2025 Insha Allah.



Weekend Islamic School Enrollment **40** Hifz School Enrollment **52** Nazirah Enrollment

7 Family Nights

SOUTHWEST ZONE

River Oaks Islamic Center HOUSTONMOSQUE.ORG

The River Oaks Islamic Center located in the heart of the city is focused on grassroots initiatives of building community through service and education. To establish sustainable initiatives ROIC has come together to form The Community Collective; an organized effort of providing resources and support to our members and neighbors. Initiatives included a community BBQ inviting refugees which attended by over 350 people, the assembly and distribution of over 250 gift bags to refugee children during Eid, and the distribution of 2000 meals within the refugee community in the aftermath of Hurricane Beryl.



On the education front guests from all over the city take part in the weekly program by Sheikh Ammar Al Shukry and the New Muslim Class taught by Rehan Safiullah continues to meet every Saturday. Islamic story time for young children takes place once a month and a recently added weekly halaqa focused on establishing Islam amongst the youth takes place every week.









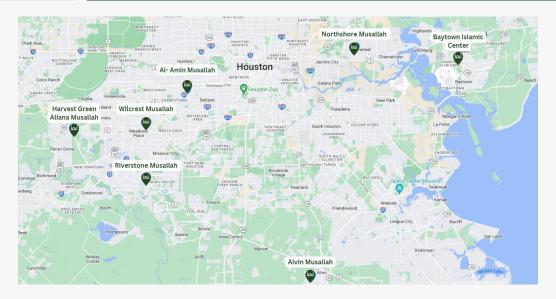
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Number of Attendees at Community BBQ

250 E

Eid Gift Bags Distributed to Refugee Children

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Constitution & Bylaws Committee

The Constitution & ByLaws Committee (CBC) is responsible for recommending, preparing, and updating the ISGH Constitution & Bylaws which are then voted on by the ISGH Shura.

The Constitution & ByLaws Committee (CBC) prepared and recommended seven (7) amendments to the bylaws that were approved by ISGH Board of Directors, which are currently awaiting ratification at the Joint Meeting of the Board-Islamic Centers COUNCILS in September 2024. Additionally CBC is presently reviewing one (1) additional draft amendment to be submitted to the Board.

CBC finalized update of 2 policies and procedures and recommended to ISGH Board. The total number of policies and procedures awaiting the Board's approval at the time of submission of this report is 13. There are 4 policies currently under review by CBC for recommending to the Board.

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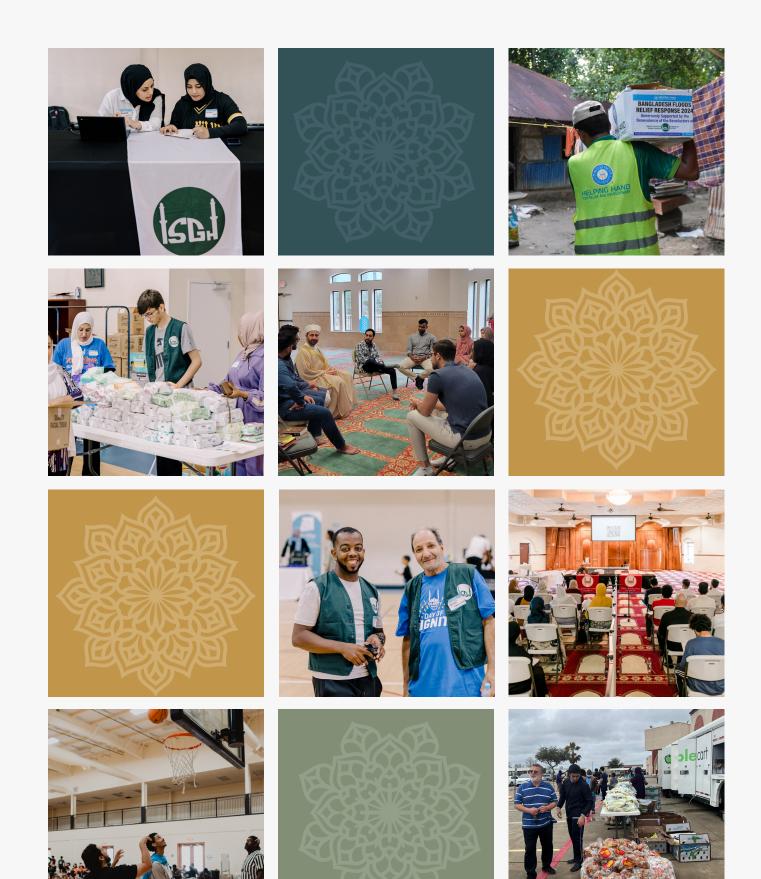
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