



# BARAKAH

## *Muslim Charity*

### 2019 Annual Report

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## **OUR MISSION AND VISION**

**Mission:** Barakah Muslim Charity provides social services to the broader community of Rochester, irrespective of race, ethnicity, gender, or creed.

**Vision:** We envision a world where the hungry are fed, the needy are supported, and the vulnerable are protected.

## **STRATEGIC HIGHLIGHTS**

Barakah Muslim Charity enhanced and expanded relationships with community and municipal entities. Barakah Muslim Charity Executive Committee began a top-down analysis and evaluation of all programs.

## **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

In 2019, Barakah Muslim Charity raised more than \$195,000 to support our activities. An increasing proportion of our income was generated through grants. Grant funding was received from Islamic Relief USA, The Islamic Center of Rochester, Foodlink, and The Farash Foundation.

## **OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS**

Barakah Muslim Charity expanded existing services, and provided new services. For the first time ever, Barakah Muslim Charity partnered with Islamic Relief to host the Day of Dignity.

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

This year Barakah Muslim Charity will add two new programs: an Islamic reading room and a hygiene supply pantry.

**Dr. Irshad Altheimer**  
**Executive Director**  
**Barakah Muslim Charity**

## **OUR IMPACT**

### **Charitable Activities**

- 3000 families were provided food through our pantry program.
- 1961 hot meals were served through our community meal program.
- 600 backpacks were provided to needy children during our backpack drive.
- 100 Ramadan gift baskets were distributed to needy families.
- 200 people were served iftars during Ramadan
- 600 people were provided services at our first annual “Day of Dignity”.
- Our refugee program continues to provide services to needy refugees.
- Our reentry program offers assistance to individuals recently released from incarceration.

### **Social and Community Outreach**

- Hosted a joint community meal with the Commission for Jewish and Muslim Understanding (CJMU).
- Hosted more than 150 people at our inaugural Eid ul-Adha Picnic.
- Hosted the Jefferson Avenue Business Association Annual Dinner.
- Hosted monthly meetings for the Jefferson Avenue Business Association.
- Co-sponsored a forum with the Family and Youth Institute entitled “Uplifting Black Muslim Youth”.
- Hosted ELIAS forum on Mental Health.

### **Spiritual Activities**

- Our Friday prayer service (Jummah) provides spiritual guidance for 45 congregates every week.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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| Total Income                            | 195,081 |
| Charity Expenses                        | 79,343  |
| Maintenance and Administration Expenses | 22,026  |
| Total Expenses                          | 101,368 |
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| End of Year Balance                     | 93,713  |