

## Islamic Foundation Of Toronto

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Assalamu Alaykum Warahmatullah Wa Barakatuh Respected Brothers, Sisters, elders and children.

The Majlis (Board of Directors), Trustees, Staff and dedicated Volunteers of the Islamic Foundation of Toronto (IFT) hopes this letter reaches you in the best of health, spirits, prosperity and faith.

It's that time of year again as the blessed month of Ramadan fast approaches - a month full of blessings, virtue and joy and we eagerly anticipate its arrival.

Alhumdulillah Allah SWT has allowed us to provide much needed essential services to our community such as multiple vaccine clinics in partnership with Scarborough Health Network (SHN) and offering multiple monthly Dawah programs throughout the year on pertinent issues such as strengthening family relations, being Muslim Canadians and a host of other topics.

IFT has also been active in global relief efforts collecting and distributing aid to our brothers and sisters locally and internationally in Turkey, Syria and most recently collecting for Palestine.

Essential services IFT offered in-person included:

- Funeral services
- Nikkah services
- Food distribution to the vulnerable in the community

Services that IFT delivered over the past year to our community include:

- Hifz and evening Quran classes
- Sunday school
- Weekly Seniors program
- Personal and family tax services
- Monthly Dawah sessions on pertinent issues
- Revamped Hot Soup Program

Alhumdulillah, we continue to provide five times daily prayers and two Friday/Jumah prayers. InshaAllah, we are planning to offer Ramadan Tarawih prayers and four (4) Eid prayers. Please visit our website for more details including programming and timings.

Ramadan is a month where many Masjids collect donations which support the ongoing operational expenses for the entire year ahead. We value the contributions of our community and encourage everyone to please continue your generous support and donate through our website: <a href="https://www.islamicfoundation.ca">www.islamicfoundation.ca</a>. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

IFT is targeting some much needed and long overdue capital repairs this year. Of note some of the major capital projects are:

- main prayer hall roof replacement project which is original to the Masjid and is in need of replacement.
- main entrance facing Nugget Ave. in need of facelift after significant deterioration.
- security measures to allow for two new exits off either side of the main prayer hall to allow access out of the Masjid and,
- long overdue restoration of the parking structure in the main lot are among just some of the main priority projects.

IFT has always been a leader in programs and services in education, congregational prayers, interfaith activities, social services, global relief efforts and outreach programs spanning more than a half century. IFT continues to be a leading organization for Canadian Muslims. This has only been possible with Allah's mercy and your generous support. We commit to continue the various programs and also initiate new ones to help make a difference in the community and society at large InshaAllah.

This year's Ramadan goal is to raise \$400,000 Inshallah. These funds are required to continue to offer our many diverse programs as well as for the day to day maintenance of the masjid for the next year including our focus on community safety, until next Ramadan. We humbly appeal to all of you to continue to contribute generously; any and all amounts are appreciated, and no donation is too small. To make matters easy, the minimum we ask for is a pledge for \$1 a day. If we get 1,100 generous donors to complete the \$1 a day pledge, we can achieve this goal.

Your supplications, presence, and contributions are always appreciated and missed during these times. IFT is always open to hearing your suggestions and feedback. We also want to thank all our dedicated volunteers, staff and the community for their continued support of the masjid.

The leadership team is grateful for your ongoing support in the path of Allah (SWT). We pray that Allah (SWT) keeps you and your families safe, healthy, and happy as we approach the blessed month and May Allah accept all our sacrifices, efforts and duaas Inshallah.

Jazakallah Khaire,

Abdul Mateen Khan, President Islamic Foundation of Toronto