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## Cincinnati Islamic Community Center

## **Community Development Programs**

#### The Vision Statement

To establish and maintain a model Muslim community life.

#### The Mission Statement

The Cincinnati Islamic Community Center will endeavor to achieve a model Muslim community life by focusing on the areas of education, charity and human excellence in all of its forms and expressions.



### Goal 1: Personal and Family Development

#### Objectives:

- 1. To support the building of a strong Islamic foundation in our families and to reinforce the role of man, woman and children in the home.
- 2. To support the development of resources and activities for children, youth and young adults.

- 1. To increase the number of committed members doing the work of accomplishing the community's vision and mission.
- 2. To establish an environment where Muslim children will be comfortable with their Muslim identity and empowered to take a stand for what they believe in.
- 3. To establish a Muslim outreach program to schools, Universities, religious communities and organizations, and cultural institutions.



## Goal 2: Dawah

#### Objectives:

- 1. To educate and promote a positive image of Al-Islam through our words, actions and deeds.
- 2. To serve Muslims and non-Muslims in the local institutions (schools, juvenile detention holdings, jails and prisons).
- 3. Seek opportunities to positively present the work of the Cincinnati Islamic Community Center to the community and connect the CICC to community resources.

- To establish our own Food Pantry and Resource Center.
- 2. To establish and promote Islamic programming on Cable TV, Radio, and Internet.
- 3. To establish a M.P.A.C. (Muslim Political Action Committee).

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## Goal 3: Spirituality

#### Objectives:

- 1. To make available and advance community members in the correct knowledge of the Islamic Principles, Articles of Faith, Qur'anic Arabic and Studies, Seerah and the life example of Muhammed the Prophet.
- 2. To develop closer and stronger relationships among the believers in pursuit of the most excellent example of our Prophet Muhammed (SAWS) who said, "You will not enter Paradise until you have faith, and you will not have faith until you practice loving one another."
- 3. To have the Cincinnati Islamic Community Center open for all of the five prayers.
- 4. To establish a Sunday Ta'leem for Islamic Discussion and Learning.
- 5. To establish a Muslim Book Reading Club.
- 6. To establish a Qur'anic Studies Class.
- 7. To establish an Orientation/ Beginner's Class.
- 8. To advance the Community in the Tafsir (Commentary) of Imam W. Deen Mohammed on Qur'anic Arabic, Islamic Studies and Comparative Religion.

- 1. Increased attendance and participation.
- 2. Increased interaction with other Community Members.
- 3. All members will be able to complete Salat (prayers) in Arabic and know the basics of the Arabic language (Quranic Arabic).
- 4. All members will learn at least (5) Suwar of the Qur'an.



5. Encourage and inspire Community Members to become better students devoted to independent study.

### Goal 4: Establish Muslim Schools

#### Objectives:

- 1. Re-establish the Weekend School.
- 2. Get more support from the Community Members by achieving the objectives of the Dawah and Spirituality efforts.
- 3. Raise money through fundraisers, grants, individual pledges (eg. Project Impact), and loans.
- 4. Utilize other Islamic Schools and Masajid for support.
- 5. Update and complete working plans for schools and CICC's improvements.
- 6. Establish a Children's Early Learning Center.

- 1. Acquire an estimate of the number of students, their ages and number of teachers and establish tuition fees.
- 2. Have Weekend school operating by no later than January 2012.
- 3. Will establish institutions which will address our mission to educate as well as our need for an increase in Community income.
- 4. Will enable us to finance the necessary building improvements and complete our planned educational projects.