

Islam in America

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Jam'e Masjid Markham Islamic Society of Markham

The Islamic Society of Markham is the first Masjid in the Town of Markham on a 2-acre piece of land at the intersections of Denison St. and Middlefield Rd. The Town of Markham is one of the fastest growing communities in Canada and has approximately 10,000 Muslims living here. Most of the Muslims in this community are first generation immigrants from all over the world, who settled here in the early nineteen eighty's and are primarily professionals and working class people.

Jam'e Masjid Markham has become a focal point for the Muslims of Markham. It is centrally located in the midst of a Muslim community and services the religious, social and recreational needs for this community. The planned Project included a Masjid, Madressah, Multipurpose hall, Library and Dawah centre and facilities for funeral services. The first phase which included the multipurpose hall, were prayers were held at the time, was completed in 2002. The second phase containing the main prayer hall and facilities was completed in 2007.

There are 60 Islamic Centers, 20 Full time Islamic Schools in Greater Toronto, & about 90 Islamic Centers, 30 Full time Islamic Schools, 1 Islamic college in the Ontario.

2900 Denison St
Markham, L3R 4J8, Canada

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Year Completed: 2007



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Key Events of Islam in America

1619-1800s

An estimated 10 million Africans were brought to North America as slaves. Approximately 30% were Muslims. In the 1730's, Ayub Sulaiman ibn Diallo, slaved in Maryland, became a go between for his people and the British after his repatriation.

1775:

Former slave Peter Salem (Saleem) fought in the Battle of Bunker Hill and throughout the American Revolution. Muslim Americans have served with distinction in all U.S. wars.

1819:

Freed by his master, Yarrow Mamout, establishes himself as a property owner and bank investor in Georgetown, today part of Washington, D.C.

Did You Know?

Islam is the fastest growing religion in the world today and its expansion is most particular in the United States of America. As a result of this growth, the number of Islamic institutions also increased. Islam's history deep roots within the Western World is chronicled in such works as The Early History, Pre Columbus & Pre Slavery Years and in Islam in America: From African Slaves to Malcolm X, which explains that "American Muslim history is longer than most might think, extending back to the day that the first slave ship landed on Virginia's coast in 1619."

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«اتق دعوة المظلوم فإنها ليس بينها وبين الله حجاب» البخاري

The Prophet said:

"Be afraid, from the curse of the oppressed as there is no screen between his invocation and Allah." Al-Bukhari

Masjid Fresno

Islamic Center of Central California

Masjid Fresno, the Islamic Center of Central California, was first established in 1979, and, through donations from Muslims all over the world, the new building was completed in 1989. This two-story complex offers an open, comforting environment to the community. Masjid Fresno is running a very successful Daawa Program. Many people have reverted to Islam at Masjid Fresno and thousands of people call in and visit to learn more information about Islam every day through an established hotline and website. The Daawa Program has placed ads on eight Fresno city buses to inform our society about Islam. Arabic and Islamic studies classes are held by Sheikh Ramadan, Ph.D., weekly, in addition to Qur'an memorization classes held daily. The muslim community grew from few families and students in the 1970's to about 15,000 now.

Masjid Fresno is one of four Mosques/Islamic centers and 1 full time school, in the city of Fresno, that helps strengthen and expand the Islamic community, which is full of friendly people that set great Islamic examples for all generations.

There are about 260 Mosques/Islamic centers and about 40 full time Islamic schools in California.

2111 E Shaw Ave
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Year Completed: 1989



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1898:

Kawkab Amrika (Star of America), the first Arabic newspaper to appear in the United States, began daily publication, as reported by the New York Times

1907:

Tatar immigrants from Poland, Russia, and Lithuania found the American Moham-medan Society, the nation's first Muslim organization.

1908:

Large numbers of Muslim immigrants began to enter the United States from parts of the Ottoman Empire, including today's Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, and Turkey.

Did You Know?

The first organized "pseudo-Muslim" movement in this country can be traced back to 1913 when Timothy Drew established the Canaanite Temple in Newark, New Jersey. Born in 1886 on a Cherokee reservation in North Carolina, Timothy changed his name to Noble Drew Ali, preached his heavily altered version of Islam, claimed prophet hood, and published the Circle Seven Koran. By 1928, The Moorish Science Temple of America became a well established movement. Although splintered into 3 main factions after Drew's death in 1929, the movement continues until today, but with much less followers.

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«من سره أن يبسط له في رزقه وأن ينسأ له في أثره فليصل رحمه» البخاري

The Prophet said:

“Whoever loves that he be granted more wealth and that his lease of life be prolonged then he should keep good relations with his Kith and kin.” Al-Bukhari

Windsor Mosque Windsor Islamic Association

The Windsor Islamic Association (WIA) has been serving a population of over 30,000 Muslims in the Windsor locality. It started back in 1967 with a small number of Muslim immigrants performing prayers in a small house building. With the large flux of Muslims immigrating to Windsor in the late 1980's, WIA expanded the Masjid into 3 levels, 2 of them allocated for prayer areas, where it holds 1000 worshippers at the current time.

The management of WIA formed a mosque and a full-time private An-Noor Islamic School, established in 1995. It was housed at the An-Noor Mosque site between Dominion Rd and Northwood Ave. The school moved to 1480 Janette Ave in the year 2000. Housing close to 300 students, An-Noor Private School caters for Junior KG to 8th grade. The WIA also houses "Al-Qalam School", a Quranic school aiming at producing generations of Muslims who have memorized and mastered the Quran.

There are 7 Islamic Centers, 3 Full time Islamic Schools in Windsor, & about 90 Islamic Centers, 30 Full time Islamic Schools in the Ontario

1320 Northwood St
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www.wiao.org

Year Completed: 1993



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Rabi' I - Rabi' II

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Key Events of Islam in America

1913:

Noble Drew Ali (1886-1929) founded the Moorish Science Temple of America (MSTA) in Newark, New Jersey.

1919:

The first Islamic association was founded in Highland Park outside of Detroit, Michigan, where many immigrants found work in auto manufacturing plants.

1934:

The Mother Mosque, the first building built specifically to be a mosque, was established in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Did You Know?

Among those associated with the Moorish Science Temple was a peddler named Wallace D. Fard (or Wali Fard Muhammad). In 1930 Fard, who believed to be of Arab origin, founded the "The Lost-Found Nation of Islam in the Wilderness of North America" movement in Detroit to uplift the status of the black race. The movement was later known as Nation of Islam. Fard established the Temple of Islam and the University of Islam in Detroit and told his followers that the original religion of the black person is Islam. Fard disappeared in 1934 and Elijah Muhammad assumed leadership of the movement.

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«سئل رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم أي الإسلام خير قال تطعم الطعام وتقرأ السلام على من عرفت ومن لم تعرف» البخاري

The Prophet said:

«A person asked Allah's Apostle. «What (sort of) deeds in or (what qualities of) Islam are good?» He replied, «To feed (the poor) and greet those whom you know and those whom you don't know.» Al-Bukhari

Assalam Center of Boca Raton

In 1994, few Muslim families started a weekend school to teach their children Islamic Studies and Arabic Language in their homes on rotation bases. The number of students grew and since 1995 the school has been conducted through classrooms at public facilities. In 1996, Assalam Center was officially registered with the State of Florida as a non-profit organization. The Muslim Community of Boca Raton and neighboring cities continued to grow significantly. Hence, in 2000 over two acres land were purchased in the heart of Boca Raton to build the center. The construction was completed and the Assalam Center acquired its certificate of occupancy in the end of March 2008, catering to the Muslim community of Boca Raton and neighboring cities. To protect and preserve the Muslim identity and culture of the children and youth, and assist the families in that endeavor, the center sponsors an Islamic school, prayers, meetings, educational adult and youth forums, annual regional children Quran contest, annual Eid picnics, weekly Halaqa for women, biweekly Halaqa for men, Muslim girl scouts, and many other family events, and strives to project an exemplary image of Muslims to the community of South Florida.

There are 36 Islamic Centers, 8 Full time Islamic Schools in south Florida, & about 120 Islamic Centers, 18 Full time Islamic Schools in Florida.

1499 NW 4th Ave
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Year Completed: 2008



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Rabi' II - Jumada I

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1937:

The American Moslem Society was established in Dearborn, MI. It is one of the oldest mosques in North America.

1949:

Mohameden Mosque (now Jame Masjid, Muslim Mosque Association) in Sacramento, CA was completed.

1957:

The Islamic Center of Washington, D.C. was dedicated, with President Dwight D. Eisenhower and First Lady Mamie Eisenhower in attendance.

Did You Know?

The teachings of Fard and Muhammad were not in harmony with the teachings of mainstream Islam. They taught that the white race is Satan and declared that Elijah Muhammad as the Messenger of God. In September of 1934, Elijah Muhammad moved to Chicago and later to Washington DC. He, along with many other male members of the Nation of Islam, was arrested during War World II for refusing on religious basis to be drafted into the military. Membership of the Nation of Islam reached new heights with the recruitment of Malcolm Little (later known as Malcolm X and finally el-Hajj Malik el-Shabazz).

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«إذا أحسن أحدكم إسلامه فكل حسنة يعملها تكتب له بعشر أمثالها إلى سبع مائة ضعف وكل سيئة يعملها تكتب له بمنهالها» البخاري

The Prophet said:

«If any one of you follows Islamic promptly then his good deeds will be rewarded ten times to seven hundred times for each good deed and a bad deed will be recorded as it is.» Al-Bukhari

Tempe Masjid

Islamic Community Center of Tempe

Tempe Masjid, practically within the campus of Arizona State University (ASU) in Tempe, provides a diverse cosmopolitan milieu welcoming all to worship Allah and practice Islam freely. Community members are composed of more than 75 nationalities and come from various walks of life from highly-cerebral to blue-collar workers. The Masjid's beautiful architecture is modeled after the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem; the eight-sided structure has a minaret and a gold dome. Prior to establishing the center, Muslims used to gather in local homes or commute to Phoenix mosques for Friday prayers.

Now, the Masjid provides a spectrum of programs and services to the Muslims and the Tempe community at large. It is closely associated with the ASU Muslim Student Association, and operates the Phoenix Metro Islamic School (PMIS), which was established in 1998 and caters for elementary school-age children. Students are educated and nurtured according to the teaching of Islam and get to learn and practice Arabic.

There are 12 Islamic Centers, 2 Full time Islamic Schools in Tempe vicinity, & about 18 Islamic Centers, 3 Full time Islamic Schools in Arizona.

131 E 6th St
Tempe, AZ 85281

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www.tempe Masjid.com

Year Completed: 1984



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Key Events of Islam in America

1965:

Published soon after its subject's assassination in February 1965, The Autobiography of Malcolm X tells the story of one man's conversion to Islam in the larger context of the African-American experience. It remains one of the most influential books of the 20th century.

1960s-1970s:

Bangladeshi American architect Dr. Fazlur Rahman Khan is regarded as the "Einstein of structural engineering" and considered "the greatest structural engineer of the second half of the 20th century" for his constructions of the Sears Tower and John Hancock Center in Chicago. He also designed the Hajj terminal in Saudi Arabia.

Did You Know?

Malcolm X was born on May 19, 1925, Omaha, Nebraska. He joined the Nation of Islam while in prison in 1947. Upon his release in 1952, he traveled to Chicago and met Nation of Islam leader Elijah Muhammad. Malcolm was an eloquent speaker and became the main spokesman for the Nation of Islam. Malcolm separated from Nation of Islam in March 1964 and formed a new organization called Muslim Mosque, Inc. The Hajj (pilgrimage) of April 1964 proved to be a turning point in Malcolm's life. He embraced mainstream Islam and changed his views about the white race. Malcolm was assassinated on February 21, 1965 in New York City.

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«من أخذ أموال الناس يريد أداءها أدى الله عنه، ومن أخذها يريد إتلافها، أتلفه الله» البخاري

The Prophet said:

“He who borrows people's money with the intention of paying it back, Allah will help him pay the loan. And he who takes a loan with the intention of not repaying it, then Allah will destroy and ruin him.” Al-Bukhari

Masjid Al-Huda
Islamic Center of Las Cruces

Located in the verdant Mesilla Valley in south-central New Mexico, Las Cruces is a growing community with a bright future. It is the fastest growing city in New Mexico and the 11th fastest in the nation. The Valley has been home to people for at least 4,000 years. The Rio Grande flows through the middle of the valley, with the gorgeous Organ Mountains rising to the east. The surrounding agricultural land yields pecans, onions and other produce, but it is renowned for growing the best-tasting green chili in the world.

The Muslim community started back in the mid 1970's and used to pray in a trailer house. In early 1990's and after collecting enough funds, the community decided to build the Masjid. It went through some legal quarrels but finally was completed to serve around 500 regular Muslim worshippers in the city. It has a Sunday school that serves about 45 kids.

There are 2 Islamic Centers in Las Cruces, about 11 in the state as well as 1 full time Islamic School in New Mexico.

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Key Events of Islam in America

1960-1981:

During his professional career, Muhammad Ali joined Nation of Islam in 1964 and embraced mainstream Islam in 1975. He had the honor of lighting the flame at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, GA. In 1999, he was crowned "Sportsman of the Century" by Sports Illustrated and "Sports Personality of the Century" by the BBC.

1969-1989:

American Muslim NBA player Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is considered one of the greatest players of all time. During his 20-year professional career in the NBA, he scored the highest points total of any player in league history (38,387 points), in addition to winning a record six Most Valuable Player (MVP) awards and six NBA championships.

Did You Know?

Warith Deen Mohammed (October 30, 1933 - September 9, 2008) is the reformer of the Nation of Islam and the son of its leader Elijah Muhammad. He assumed the leadership on February 25, 1975 following his father's death. Mohammed brought the organization back in line with traditional Sunni Islam when he rejected the belief that his father was a prophet and the white race is "blue-eyed devil". The name was changed again to the American Muslim Mission in 1978 and to the Muslim American Society in 1985. Mohammed finally resigned his position as the leader of MAS and created "The Mosque Cares".

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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«لم يكن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم فاحشا ولا متفحشا وإنه كان يقول إن خياركم أحاسنكم أخلاقا» البخاري

The Prophet said:

"The best among you are those who have the best manners and character." Al-Bukhari

Malcolm Shabazz Masjid

Located in Manhattan with an international congregation, Malcolm Shabazz Masjid is a point of pride for the Muslims of Harlem. The building was originally opened as Temple No. 7 in 1957, led by Nation of Islam's Minister Malcolm X. In 1965, it was firebombed and largely destroyed after the assassination of Malcolm X. When it was reopened in 1969, renovations had introduced the traditional features of middle-eastern architecture such as arches and the aluminum dome, once topped by a golden crescent. In the late 1970's, it was renamed Masjid Malcolm Shabazz honoring its first minister. The mosque is now the center of a lively community that supports the private Sister Clara Muhammad School, a bookstore, restaurants and a range of social services for children, the sick and the elderly.

The mosque's leaders have helped develop an international market in a vacant lot across the street, a contribution to economic revitalization. Additionally, they plan to initiate construction of public housing and housing for the elderly on another corner of the mosque's intersection. Resident Imam Izak-el M. Pasha became the first Muslim chaplain of the New York City Police Department in 1999. He also serves on the Executive Council of Religions for Peace - USA, as a representative of The Mosque Cares/W.D. Mohammed Ministries, which is centered in Chicago.

There are over 200 Islamic Centers, 22 full time Islamic Schools in New York city, & about 280 Islamic Centers, 30 full time Islamic Schools, 2 Islamic colleges in New York.

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Key Events of Islam in America

1984-2002:

Nigerian American Hakeem "The Dream" Abdul Olajuwon is one of the greatest players in NBA history. In the 1993-94 season, Olajuwon became the only player in NBA history to win the NBA's MVP, Defensive Player of the Year, and Finals MVP awards in the same season. He is a devout Muslim and established a Dawah center in downtown Houston

1988:

Siraj Wahhaj, an African-American convert to Islam and an Imam, led his community in an anti-drug patrol in which they staked out drug houses in Bedford-Stuyvesant in the cold of winter for 40 days and nights, forcing the closure of 15 drug houses. This effort received high praise from the New York City Police Department and the media.

Did You Know?

Louis Farrakhan split from Mohammed in 1978 and reestablished the Nation of Islam according to the precepts of Elijah Muhammad." Louis Farrakhan (born Louis Eugene Walcott on May 11, 1933, in the Bronx, New York) proved to be a pillar in the NOI history. He joined the movement in 1955 and rose through the ranks very quickly. While Mohammed was gradually stirring the ship toward mainstream Islam, Farrakhan decided to revive the teachings of Fard and Elijah Muhammad and formed his group with the original name "Nation of Islam". His ability to galvanize people around him was vividly seen during the Million Man March, October 16, 1995

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«إن شر الناس منزلة عند الله من تركه أو ودعه الناس اتقاء فحشه» البخاري

The Prophet said:

"The worse people, in the sight of Allah are those whom the people leave (undisturbed) to save themselves from their dirty language." Al-Bukhari

American Muslim Association of Oklahoma City

To accommodate the growing Muslim community in Oklahoma City, an old gymnasium on 5 acres of land was purchased in 1988 for the purpose of constructing a complete and comprehensive Islamic center, a milestone in itself for the Muslim community. Construction was finally completed on the 13th of Ramadan in the year 2008 and the Masjid is now offering services to a strong 200 Muslim families with ethnic backgrounds from all over the globe. The association has future plans for the expansion of a school, a community center, and a retirement home.

Located on 3900 NW 39th Street in Oklahoma City next to Masjid An-Nasr, Mercy School, founded in 1999, serves as the Islamic school of Oklahoma City for more than 5000 Muslims. With a professional team of qualified and dedicated Muslim teachers and staff, Mercy School caters to grades Pre-K3 to 6th.

There are 6 Islamic Centers, 1 Full time Islamic School in Greater Oklahoma City, & about 15 Islamic Centers, 2 Full time Islamic Schools in Oklahoma.

3201 NW 48th St
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

(405) 948-6188
www.amaokc.com

Year Completed: 1988



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2010 AUGUST
آب - أغسطس

1431

Sha'ban - Ramadan
شعبان - رمضان

Key Events of Islam in America

1991:
Charles Bilal was elected mayor of Kountze, Texas, the first Muslim to head a U.S. municipality

1991:
The Islamic Cultural Center in New York City was completed. It is the first building erected as a mosque in New York City.

1992:
Imam Warith Deen Mohammed known as "America's Imam," and head of The Mosque Cares was the first Muslim to offer the U.S. Senate's invocation.

Did You Know?

Though many influential people trace their heritage back to NOI or Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam, a good number left them and followed mainstream Islam. Shaikh Dawud Faisal from Grenada founded Islamic Mission of America, the first mainstream mosque in 1924 in Brooklyn. Professor Ezeldeen studied Islam and Arabic in Egypt and founded the first nation-wide mainstream Islamic organization "United Islamic Communities". First Muslim Mosque of Pittsburgh (1932 led by Sheik Nasir Ahmad) along with First Cleveland Mosque (early 1930's led by El-Hajj Wali Akram) are examples of Mosques established by followers of AMI and later reverted to following mainstream Islam.

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources



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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«أطعموا الجائع وعودوا المريض وفكوا العاني» البخاري

The Prophet said:

“Feed the hungry, visit the sick, and set free the captives.” Al-Bukhari

Islamic Center of Hatillo

The Muslim community in Hatillo started back in the 60's with about 100 brothers who used to pray Jumua in rented places until they settled in a shop owned by a Muslim brother for sometime. The community grew more by 1978 but had no sufficient resources to start a Masjid. A piece of land was purchased in 1997, and 2 years later the construction of a Masjid started. The Muslim community in Hatillo largely consists of Palestinians who immigrated early on to Puerto Rico back in the 50's and 60's. 2004 official data estimated there are 6,000 Muslims in Puerto Rico, representing about 12% percent of the population. The early Muslim community largely consisted of Palestinians who arrived between 1958 and 1962. At the time, the vast majority of Puerto Rico's Muslims lived in Río Piedras, a crowded suburb of San Juan, where they operated restaurants, jewelry stores and clothing outlets. In Puerto Rico, about 80% of the Muslim population are Palestinians, 7% Pakistanis, 7% Lebanese, 3% are indigenous Muslims and the other 3% are Egyptians, Moroccans, and other nationalities.

There are 8 Mosques/Islamic centers in Puerto Rico. Four of them (Vega Alta, Hatillo, Ponce, and Fajardo) are major land marks with their elegant domes and minarets.

Intersection of Hwy 22 & Hwy 2
Hatillo, PR 00659

(787) 505-3485

Year Completed: 2001



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SEPTEMBER

أيلول - سبتمبر

1431

Ramadan - Shawwal

رمضان - شوال

Key Events of Islam in America

1993:

Abdul-Rasheed Muhammad was appointed as the U.S. Army's first Muslim chaplain.

1996:

The first celebration of Eid al-Fitr was held at the White House. In later years, Iftar dinners were also held at the White House during the month of Ramadan.

Oct 12, 1999:

Egyptian American Dr. Ahmed Zewail, California Institute of Technology, was awarded the 1999 Nobel Prize in Chemistry. He was described as one of the pre-eminent physical chemists in the world and the father of femtochemistry.

Did You Know?

Early 1990's was a milestone in the history of Islam in America when indigenous Muslims and immigrant Muslims were brought closer together when W. D. Muhammad, Jamil al-Amin, the presidents of Islamic Circle of North America and Islamic Society of North America signed the California Islamic Declaration, establishing a National Shura Council to discuss matters of national and international importance and take appropriate collective actions. Early 2000's steps were taken to bridge differences between NOI and the mainstream Muslims. For example, Minister Farrakhan invited W. D. to address NOI congregation on Savior Day, Friday prayer is held in several of NOI Mosques, Ramadan is observed; and Farrakhan speaks out in support of Muslim causes.

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources



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«سئل رسول الله ﷺ عن الكبائر فقال الشرك بالله وقتل النفس وعقوق الوالدين» البخاري

The Prophet said:

“To join partners with Allah; to kill a soul which Allah has forbidden to kill; and to be unkind to one's parents.”

Al-Bukhari

Masjid Ar Ridwan
Al-Khair Islamic Society of
Rio Grand Valley

Masjid Al Redwan is located in south Texas with an estimated Muslim population of 150 families in the area. It is one of 5 Mosques/Islamic Centers in south Texas bordering Mexico (McAllen, Edinburg, Brownsville, Laredo, and Weslaco). It is about 230 miles south of San Antonio. Close by Muslim communities are in the cities of Kingsville and Corpus Christi.

The major Muslim concentrations in the state of Texas are in Houston (45 Mosques & 7 Full time schools), Dallas/Fort Worth (45 Mosques & 10 Full time schools). Other cities like Austin and San Antonio have sizable Muslim communities as well. It is interesting to know that Texas has seen an expulsion of the size of the Muslim community in the past 40 years. For instance, Dallas/Fort Worth area has increased from few muslim families in the 1960's to an estimated 100,000 Muslims now.

There are about 130 Mosques/Islamic centers and about 23n full time Islamic schools in Texas.

1910 Elsham Ave
Edinburg, TX 78539

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Year Completed: 2005



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OCTOBER
تشرين الأول - أكتوبر

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Shawwal - Thul Qi'dah
شوال - ذو القعدة



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Key Events of Islam in America

Sep 11, 2001:

The horrific act of 9/11 which claimed nearly 3,000 innocent lives had a great impact on Islam and Muslims locally and worldwide.

2001:

The U.S. Postal Service issued the first stamp honoring a Muslim holiday. The 34-cent Eid stamp was part of the Holiday Celebrations series.

2002-2008:

Algerian American Dr. Elias Zerhouni was the 15th director of the National Institutes of Health, appointed by George W. Bush. Prior to that, he served as executive vice-dean of Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine as well as many other prestigious posts.

Did You Know?

W. D. Mohammed's strategy to decentralize the movement gave birth from the 1980's till today to autonomous Mosques and community-based imams. "While some of these new leaders and communities trace their Islam back to earlier movements, many came to Islam independent of that history." Among these is Siraj Wahhaj (converted 1969) established Masjid At-Taqwa in Brooklyn, NY, in 1981. Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin (converted early 1970's) established "Imam Jamil Al-Amin's National Community" in 1983. Zaid Shakir (converted 1977), Hamza Yusuf (converted 1977), Suheib Webb (converted 1992) and many other popular American imams.

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«والله إني لأستغفر الله وأتوب إليه في اليوم أكثر من سبعين مرة» البخاري

The Prophet said:

"By Allah! I ask for forgiveness from Allah and turn to Him in repentance more than seventy times a day."

Al-Bukhari

Khadeeja Masjid
Islamic Society of
Greater Salt Lake

Khadeeja Masjid is the largest Masjid in the state of Utah. It is the center for the local muslim community in utah which is approximately around 15-20,000 in the surrounding areas. Khadeeja Masjid was first constructed in 1997 and was extended, which included a separate women's area upstairs in June of 2002. the carpet in the masjid is specially ordered from Egypt and the calligraphy throughout the masjid are from Syria and were hand crafted. It is considered one of the top ten most beautiful Masjids in the US.

The original builder was Bud Bailey construction and they took this project due to it's unique architectural differences such as the dome and minaret, from their usual sky scrapper type buildings. The addition in June of 2002 was completed by CRC construction.

There are about 10 Mosques/ Islamic centers and 1 full time Islamic school in Utah.

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Salt Lake City, UT 84119

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www.utahmuslims.com

Year Completed: 2002



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NOVEMBER
أيلول - نوفمبر
1431
Thul Qi'dah - Thul Hijjah
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Key Events of Islam in America

Jan 4, 2007:

Keith Ellison made history Thursday, becoming the first Muslim member of Congress and punctuating the occasion by taking a ceremonial oath with a Quran once owned by Thomas Jefferson that was published in London in 1764.

Mar 11, 2008:

(Reuters) The second of that faith chosen in U.S. history. Andre Carson, grandson of the late Democrat Rep. Julia Carson, was elected to serve the balance of her term in the U.S. House of Representatives in a special election. She died in December 2007.

Did You Know?

In the 1970s and 1980s, the influx of Muslim students from abroad sparked the purchasing of churches and residential housing that the student and community members converted into Islamic Centers. These earlier places of worship sufficed for performing daily prayers and weekly gatherings. Due to space limitations, Friday and Eid prayers were held in rented spaces or University halls. Three major factors became the catalyst that galvanized the Muslim community to build more spacious accommodations: the influx of Muslim immigrants, the large numbers of converts and the settlement of foreign Muslim students after graduation. In the United States, since the 1980s till today, hundreds of new Mosques are enriching the architectural face of America and its landscape

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«مثل الذي يذكر ربه والذي لا يذكر ربه مثل الحي والميت» البخاري

The Prophet said:

“The example of those who remember Allah and those who don't is like the living and the dead.” Al-Bukhari

Dar Al Hijrah Islamic Center

Dar Al Hijrah's inception dates back to 1983 CE/1403 AH. The site of the Masjid off of Route 7 in Falls Church, VA, was chosen due to its accessibility and close proximity to the major suburban regions that constitute the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area. With approximately 40,000 Muslims residing in the areas that the center serves, Dar Al Hijrah had a strong community from which to establish itself. The center is an active member of McLean Clergy and Arlington Interfaith Council, and in the Interfaith Conference of Washington Metropolitan area.

The original masjid, a house that still exists on the premises, was used for approximately eight years. Construction of the current structure began during 1986, despite seemingly insurmountable obstacles, the new structure was opened on March 2, 1991/Shah'ban 15, 1411.

There are over 20 Islamic Centers, 10 Full time Islamic Schools, 3 Islamic colleges in northern Virginia, & about 70 Islamic Centers, 15 Full time Islamic Schools, 3 Islamic colleges in Virginia.

3159 Row St
Falls Church, VA 22044

(703) 536-1030
www.hijrah.org

Year Completed: 1991



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Did You Know?

Until the 1980s, you can hardly find a Full time Islamic School other than Sister Clara Muhammad schools in the African American Muslim communities. The sizable growth in the population of the Muslim community and the determination to preserve both Islamic principles and Muslim identity, brought to focus a fourth crucial need: the establishment of full time Islamic Schools. As of today, there are about 330 schools in the USA & Canada.

Muslims' religious objection to dealing with interest-based loans brought to focus a fifth crucial need: the establishment of Islamic financial institutions such as LARIBA and

Guidance. Realizing the potential in the Muslim Community, several American institutions started providing mortgage contracts that adhere to Islamic principles. Two examples of this trend are Devon Bank and Michigan-based University Bank.

The concept of brotherhood in Islam coupled with the precept of Zakah further inspired the Muslims Community. They recognized the need to address the hardships afflicted on Muslims in different parts of the world as well as to stand with those much less fortunate. As the hardships increased, so did charitable organizations. Examples include Islamic Relief, Mercy International, Life for Relief and Development, Holy Land Foundation and many more.

Since the time of Ellis Island, each new immigrant group has had to face civil and human right challenges. Muslims are no exception. Consequently, from the late 80's and on a handful of civil rights organizations were established such as CAIR and MAS Freedom.

Immigrant Muslims had great impact on the spread of Islam in this country. Some of their organizations originated through graduated members of the Muslim Students Association that was established in 1962 by students on university and college campuses. The Islamic Society of North America (ISNA), Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) and many other religious, social and professional organizations were formed.

Source: Being Muslim in America, United States Department of State, www.en.wikipedia.org, and several other sources

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قال رسول الله ﷺ:

«ما من مسلم غرس غرسا فأكل منه إنسان أو دابة إلا كان له به صدقة» البخاري

The Prophet said:

“If any Muslim plants any plant and a human being or an animal eats of it, he will be rewarded as if he had given that much in charity.” *Al-Bukhari*

There is no god but He, The Living, the Everlasting, Slumber seizes Him not, neither sleep, To Him belongs all that is in the heavens and the earth. Who is there that can intercede with His, except by His leave? He knows what lies before them and what is after them, And they comprehend not anything of His Knowledge save as He wills. His throne comprises the heavens and the earth, The preserving of them fatigues Him not, And He is the All-High, All-Glorious.

[2:255]

PROFILES: National Muslim Organizations

Muslim American Society



Classification: Multipurpose
Year Established: 1992
Contact Info:
 Address: 6408 Edsall Rd, Alexandria, VA 22312
 Phone: (703) 642-6165 - Fax: (703) 642-6191
 Website: www.masnet.org - Email: mas@masnet.org

Vision: A virtuous and just American society.

Mission: To move people to strive for god-consciousness, liberty and justice, and to convey Islam with utmost clarity.

Brief Description: MAS is a pioneering Islamic organization, an Islamic revival, and reform movement that uplifts the individual, family, and society. It is America's largest grassroots Islamic movement, with more than 60 chapters and 30 regional offices spanning 34 states. MAS members have been instrumental in developing communities, establishing local and national institutions, and ensuring the prevalence of moderate, mainstream Islam throughout most of the Muslim community.

Work Focus: To normalize the American Muslim presence in the U.S. by intensifying outreach and engaging all components of the greater society. With its prophetic methodology, comprehensive and integrated vision, and solid organization, MAS aspires to lead the American Muslim community at this critical juncture. It promotes a Godly, thorough, balanced, dynamic, and positive understanding of Islam, believing that Islam is a comprehensive system that moderates all aspects of life and elevates the human condition, and convinced that humanity's only hope for total well-being is a reform agenda founded in Islam.

Subsidiary Organizations & Chapters: Tarbiyah Department, MAS Youth and Community Centers, Scouts Department, MAS Council of Islamic Schools (MAS-CIS), MAS Freedom Foundation, MAS Outreach Department, Islamic American University (IAU), MAS Quran Institute, National and Regional Conventions, Training Institute.

Islamic Society of North America



Classification: Multipurpose
Year Established: 1975
Contact Info:
 Address: 6555 South 750 East, Plainfield, IN 46168
 Phone: (317) 839-8157 - Fax: (317) 839-1840
 Website: www.isna.net

Vision: To be an exemplary and unifying Islamic organization in North America that contributes to the betterment of the Muslim community and society at large.

Mission: ISNA is an association of Muslim organizations and individuals that provides a common platform for presenting Islam, supporting Muslim communities, developing educational, social and outreach programs and fostering good relations with other religious communities, and civic and service organizations.

Brief Description: ISNA is an immigrant Muslim umbrella group and is the largest Muslim organization in North America. It was founded by Muslims in North America for the purpose of establishing an open, pluralistic platform for presenting Islam, supporting Muslim communities, developing educational, social and outreach programs and fostering good relations with other religious communities, civic and service organizations and all levels of government.

Work Focus: Strives to be an exemplary and unifying Islamic organization in North America by contributing to the betterment of the Muslim community and society at large. ISNA is committed to freedom, to eradicating prejudice and to creating a society where Muslims can live peacefully and prosper alongside other Americans from all walks of life and diverse traditions and faith.

Subsidiary Organizations, Affiliates & Chapters: ISNA Development Foundation (IDF), ISNA Office of Interfaith and Community Alliances (IOICA), ISNA Youth Programming and Services Department (YPSD), Leadership Development Center, Islamic Horizons Magazine, The Fiqh Council of North America.

Council on American-Islamic Relations



Classification: Civil Liberties and Advocacy
Year Established: 1994
Contact Info:
 Address: 453 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, DC 20003
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Vision: To promote justice and mutual understanding.

Mission: CAIR's mission is based on 3 core goals – enhancing understanding of Islam, promoting justice and empowering American Muslims.

Brief Description: CAIR is a grassroots organization. In 2006, nearly 10,000 Americans attended CAIR's annual banquets held in more than 20 cities. The largest CAIR banquet in 2006 was held in Southern California with nearly 2,000 attendees. The national banquet in Washington, D.C. attracts more than 1,000 participants each year. The majority of CAIR's annual funding is raised at these banquets. In 2006 alone, CAIR banquets have been attended by state governors, U.S. senators and representatives, state assembly members and representatives, mayors, and city council members. Numerous interfaith leaders, social activists, academics and media personalities also attended the annual banquets. Letters of support and commendation have come from all of the above. At its core work of civil rights, CAIR processed nearly 2,500 civil rights discrimination cases in 2006 and more than 9,500 in the past decade.

Subsidiary Organizations & Chapters: CAIR has 32 chapters in 20 states and one in Canada. Each CAIR chapter is governed by an independent board and solicits its funding almost exclusively from its local community. CAIR's national office and chapters employ more than 60 staff, more than 300 active volunteer board or executive committee members, and numerous interns.

Islamic Relief



Classification: Non-profit 501(c)(3) Humanitarian Organization
Year Established: 1993
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Vision: A caring world where the basic requirements of people in need are fulfilled.

Mission: To alleviate suffering, hunger, illiteracy, and diseases worldwide regardless of color, race, religion, or creed, and to provide aid in a compassionate and dignified manner. To provide rapid relief in the event of human and natural disasters and to establish sustainable local development projects allowing communities to better help themselves.

Brief Description: Islamic Relief operates a wide variety of projects, including education and training, water and sanitation, income generation, orphan support, health and nutrition, and emergency relief. It operates both international and domestic projects to help disadvantaged communities.

Work Focus: Islamic Relief's work aims to give people the confidence to participate in their own development and secure their own future without the need for continuing external assistance. Islamic Relief's emergency relief projects have helped the people of Afghanistan, Bosnia, Chechnya, Kosovo, Palestine, and more. Islamic Relief's Orphan Welfare Programs provide care for orphans and remaining members of their family while seasonal projects during Ramadan and Eid al-Adha, help fulfill donor obligations while supporting beneficiaries.

Achievements & Recognitions: For six years in a row, Islamic Relief USA has been recognized as a 4-star charity by Charity Navigator, its highest rating. This prestigious award puts Islamic Relief among the top 2.25% of charities in the nation. Islamic Relief's work has been mentioned in several national and international media outlets, including CNN, BBC, PBS, "ABC World News Tonight," New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, Washington Post, USA Today, to name a few.

Life for Relief & Development



Classification: Charity
Year Established: 1992
Contact Info:
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 Website: www.lifeusa.org - Email: life@lifeusa.org

Mission: LIFE is dedicated to alleviating human suffering regardless of race, color, religion, or cultural background. It offers humanitarian services such as health care and education, as well as catering to casualties of social and economic turmoil, victims of hunger, natural disasters, war, and other catastrophes.

Brief Description: Founded by concerned Iraqi-American professionals in response to the humanitarian crisis that developed in Iraq as a result of the 1991 Gulf War conflict, LIFE has since become a 501(c)(3) non-profit/non-governmental organization in Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and registered with USAID.

Work Focus: LIFE works to create the type of environment that helps provide inhabitants of underdeveloped communities the ability to rebuild and manage their lives. With its partners, LIFE creates community development projects which improve the quality of life for each resident. It also establishes and renovates educational institutions in addition to providing school supplies to the needy students around the world, along with providing emergency funds and basic necessities of food, medicine, and shelter in war stricken areas.

Subsidiary Organizations, Affiliates & Chapters: LIFE has established partnerships with many international NGO's including UNDP, UNICEF, Brother's Brother Foundation, Nour International Relief Aid, AmeriCares, Veterans For Peace, American Friend's Service Committee (AFSC), Care International, and the Wheelchair Foundation. In March of 2003, LIFE became a member of the American Council for Voluntary International Action (InterAction), which is the largest alliance of American international NGO's.

Muslim Legal Fund of America



Classification: Civil Rights and Legal Fund
Year Established: 2001
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Vision: To be recognized as the most effective legal fund in the United States of America.

Mission: Committed to defend, protect, and strengthen the Civil & Legal Rights of American Islamic institutions, and Muslim individuals in the United States of America.

Brief Description: MLFA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax deductible, Zakat eligible, charitable organization committed to preserve, safeguard and promote the civil and legal rights of American-Islamic institutions and Muslim individuals in the United States of America. It was founded by a group of Muslim civil rights activists concerned with the growing trend of racial and religious profiling by law enforcement agencies before and after the events of 9/11.

Work Focus: MLFA was established to be a focal point for legal expertise and to manage civil rights and civil liberties cases that affect the American Muslim community. MLFA maintains a database of over 350 pre-screened attorneys nationwide to represent Muslims in various types of cases. Individuals who are financially underprivileged can apply to receive financial aid towards their legal defense. MLFA regularly conducts workshops and seminars to teach the Muslim community about their rights when encountering law enforcement, discrimination and other issues of concern.

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*Jam'e Masjid Markham
Markham, ONT, Canada* January 2010



*Masjid Fresno
Fresno, CA* February 2010



*Windsor Islamic Association
Windsor, ONT, Canada* March 2010



*Assalam Center of Boca Raton
Boca Raton, FL* April 2010



*Islamic Community Center of Tempe
Tempe, AZ* May 2010



*The Islamic Center of Las Cruces
Las Cruces, NM* June 2010



*Malcolm Shabazz Masjid
New York, NY* July 2010



*American Muslim Association of Oklahoma
Oklahoma City, OK* August 2010



*Islamic Center of Hatillo
Hatillo, PR* September 2010



*Masjid Ar Ridwan
Edinburg, TX* October 2010



*Khadeeja Masjid
Salt Lake City, UT* November 2010



*Dar Al Hijrah Islamic Center
Falls Church, VA* December 2010