

Assalaam Alaykum <<First Name>> & Greetings of Peace!

The Islamic Center of Southern California is an independent organization whose primary goal is the development of a vibrant American Muslim identity through spiritual, educational, and recreational activities.

Working together to foster community during a time of social distancing



While our Center has gone virtual, we want to make sure that each member of our community feels supported and connected to others throughout the coming weeks.

Social distancing shouldn't create social isolation and we are going to need your help to make sure that no one feels alone.

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Omar Ricci

Our response

Here's how we're continuing to foster community:

- Were the first local mosque to close our doors and go virtual. <u>Bookmark</u> our <u>Livestream page</u>
- Set up digital Mental Health services. Learn more
- Kept our weekly Food Pantry operational. Learn more
- Continued our partnership with <u>Karsh Center</u> for dental, vision, and mental health services, as well as pro bono legal services, groceries, interest-free loans, clothing vouchers, baby supplies, and other resources. Contact us at <u>info@icsconline.com</u> for more information.
- Gave a virtual Khutba about how to respond to Covid-19. Click here for video | audio
- Hosted a digital Q&A community forum with health experts about Covid-19. Click here for video | audio
- Adapted our mortuary practices as not to disrupt service.

Your role

Here's what you can do:

As we work together to keep our community healthy and safe, we ask you to support the Islamic Center today with a generous donation in order to support our ongoing programs and services during this uncertain time.

Would you be willing to make a monthly gift towards cultivating community during these challenging times?

After making the difficult decision to cancel our annual pre-Ramadan fundraising dinner, we need you now more than ever.

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or \$500—will help us cover our operating costs during these challenging times.

Other ways to support:

- Text ICSC to 41444
- Mail a check to 434 S. Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90020
- Call (213) 382 9200 and ask for Selina Zuberi, Development Coordinator
- Host a Facebook fundraiser for ICSC
- Chose ICSC as your beneficiary when shopping on Amazon Smile

Next steps

Here's what we're doing next:

- Continuing to find new ways to upgrade our Livestreaming capabilities
- Livestreaming more programs in the coming days. <u>Update your</u> <u>subscription preferences to ensure you that you're signed up for our</u> <u>Weekly Bulletin</u>
- Partnering the City of Los Angeles to provide resources for community members with rent assistance, childcare, small business support, and more. Learn more.
- Continuing our partnership with <u>NISWA</u> to provide support and shelter for survivors of domestic violence. Contact us at <u>info@islamiccenter.com</u> for more info.
- Continuing to offer financial support in the form of food coupons, rental assistance, and utility assistance through our Zakat Committee. Contact us at info@islamiccenter.com for more info.
- Taking our Sunday School and JYG/MYG digital. Contact us at info@islamiccenter.com for more info.

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At a time when our Center doors are shut, fundraising events are canceled, and the collection box isn't being circulated, we ask that you <u>dig deep to give what</u>

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