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THE CRISIS IN OUR UMMAH

A Test

Letter from trustees

The doctor in Ghouta, Syria, kisses his children every day before he sets off to treat the wounded at the hospital. He tries not to think that he or they may not be alive at the end of his shift.

The elderly Rohingya grandmother cries as she reaches the shores of safety in Bangladesh, not knowing the fate of her family who were left behind.

The desperate scenes of thousands of our children, mothers, sisters, elderly and brothers being killed in Syria, Myanmar and elsewhere in the world without any crime raises a question in the mind of many: why do these innocent people have to suffer whilst oppressors shower them with bombs and chemical weapons?

Is the concept of 'might is right' stronger than 'justice for the weak'?

Islam provides the answer and tells us that this is a test for all and the result will be manifested in the hereafter. Heaven awaits those who hold on steadfastly to their Iman whilst clinging on to the bodies of their children and loved ones. Punishment awaits the dictators and oppressors.

Alhamdulillah, once again Ummah Welfare Trust is pleased to see that the spirit of generosity and kindness for humanity, displayed by thousands of donors, volunteers and staff, still exists amongst the masses.

We pray to Allah to ease the sufferings in the Ummah, to make us a means of providing a supporting hand to the oppressed; and to allow us to continue conveying the truth, and lighting the torch of Islam across the whole world.

Abu Ahmad
Rajab 1439

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Are We Being Punished?

The wisdom we fail to comprehend.

The Messenger of Allah Sallallahu 'alayhi wasallam said: *'This Ummah of mine is one to which mercy is shown. It will have no punishment in the next world, but its punishment in this world will be trials, earthquakes and being killed.'* [Abu Dawud]

He also said: *'The greatest reward comes with the greatest trial. When Allah loves a people He tests them. Whoever is content will win His pleasure but whoever is discontent will earn His anger.'* [Ibn Majah]

Sometimes we may question the wisdom behind the suffering and trials in Syria, Myanmar and elsewhere. It is true that we can bring this upon ourselves due to our sins. However it is also true, as the authentic ahadith mention, that those who are most firm on their deen are the ones most tested by Allah.

The question then arises: is the suffering we see in the Ummah a punishment or a test? This can be ascertained by our response. If we become closer to Allah through these trials, then it is a test, and if we move further away, then it is a punishment.

Allah says: *'Corruption has flourished on land and sea as a result of people's actions and He will make them taste the consequences of some of their own actions so that they may turn back.'* [Q 30:41]

In the short-term, the suffering is painful and difficult, but when viewed through the lens of the hereafter, our perspective changes.

The Messenger of Allah told us: *'On the Day of Judgement, when the people who were tested (in this world) will be given their rewards, the people who were spared will wish that their skins had been cut off with scissors while they were in the world.'* [Tirmidhi]

Importantly, Our Role

The whole Ummah is responsible for its collective state. What we do here in the West affects our brethren in the East. Our sins directly impact and cause the suffering of others. Every sin has a consequence. Our sins are not only between us and Allah, but have a direct consequence on our families, communities and ultimately the entire Ummah.

Abandoning sin, abundant istighfar, renewing our tawhid, strengthening our acts of worship, not withholding the rights of others, building a strong bond with the Book of Allah and collectively turning back to Allah will help us overcome our challenges as an Ummah.

May Allah give us the ability to do so.

ROHINGYA GENOCIDE

Picking up the Pieces

Ummah Welfare Trust remains on hand to respond to the ethnic cleansing of the Rohingya in Myanmar.

In front of the world's eyes, the Rohingya Muslim community in Myanmar was massacred during 2017. A pre-planned campaign of genocide saw them suffer organised killings, mass rapes and the torching of their ancestral villages.

In less than three months, South Bangladesh was deluged with over 700,000 Muslims fleeing the persecution. Almost three quarters were women and children, many of whom had endured and witnessed appalling crimes.

Ummah Welfare Trust mobilised immediately to receive them, and since September last year, has helped over 70,000 families with your donations. Food packs, shelters, clothing, fuel supplies and cash grants have all been provided to help them recover.

The charity has also continued efforts inside Myanmar, in Arakan, albeit with greater difficulty. Cash grant programmes and subsidised madrassahs have helped abandoned Rohingya communities to maintain their autonomy, alhamdulillah.

'The blood of a Muslim is worth more than the Ka'aba and all of its surroundings.'

[Ibn Majah]

Key Highlights

29,052
blankets given to Rohingya families

32,837
packs of fuel given in Rohingya camps

15,843
families given emergency food packs

3,500
persons given new items of clothing

604
families given double-sized mosquito nets

400
new homes constructed for widowed families

140
street lamps installed in camps

71
teachers reimbursed monthly

55
orphaned families given monthly support.

Strengthening their Islam

Since arriving in Bangladesh, Rohingya refugees have constructed over 1,500 masjids, alhamdulillah. To help them practise their religion, Ummah Welfare Trust has paid the salaries of teachers in Bangladesh and Myanmar so that young children can learn the Qur'an for free.

Thousands of refugee students in Bangladesh have also been provided with Islamic clothing to encourage them in their learning, while thousands of copies of the Qur'an have been distributed across madrassahs and masjids, alhamdulillah.

Helping Refugees in India

Many Rohingya refugees have traversed Bangladesh to reach India. Though there are no official figures, there is estimated to be at least 50,000 refugees here. Like their kinsmen elsewhere, they face terrible poverty and isolation.

Thanks to you, aid has reached many of them for the first time this year. Ummah Welfare Trust has supported hundreds of families living on the outskirts of Delhi with food packs, sanitary kits, blankets and clothing.



SEVEN YEARS ON IN SYRIA

Ummah Welfare Trust has spent over £6 million in the past year responding to the world's foremost humanitarian crisis.

Syria may be far from the headlines, but it remains the biggest crisis in the world today. For seven years now, a whole civilian population has been set upon - losing fathers, mothers and siblings; their lands and their homes.

The past year has sadly been no less distressing than previous ones. Thousands of trapped civilians in Raqqa have been bombed into destruction, besieged areas such as Ghouta have been starved and killed further, and even more refugees have been created following a huge assault on Idlib.

Despite the endless tribulations however, there still remains hope. Thanks to you, Ummah Welfare Trust has delivered over £6 million of assistance across Syria in the past year, benefitting over a million of our brothers and sisters, alhamdulillah.

Your donations have helped widowed and orphaned families, as well as the many that remain trapped in besieged towns and suburbs. Hospitals, schools and bakeries have also been supported, bringing relief to countless Syrians in their time of need.

'Whoever would love to be delivered from the Hellfire and entered into Paradise, then let him die with faith in Allah and the Last Day, and let him treat the people the way he would love to be treated.'

[Muslim]



A Chance for Syria's Orphans

As many as a million children have been orphaned by Syria's conflict. Though the fortunate ones have been taken in by extended family, others are being cared for by members of the community. The least fortunate meanwhile are living in temporary orphanages or even on the streets.

Ummah Welfare Trust's Syrian orphan sponsorship programme began in 2013 with just 300 orphans. Alhamdulillah, today the charity supports 3,000 orphans across the country. A monthly allowance of \$50 is given to the guardian of each child, helping to cover their food and education costs.

As the violence plummets new depths, the situation for Syria's orphans may seem bleak. However it is never too late. With the right love and support, these children can grow up to create a better circumstance for Bilad ash-Shaam, and for the Ummah as a whole.

Key Highlights

-  **5,421**
widows given cash assistance
-  **3,000**
orphans given monthly support

Key Highlights

-  **27,000**
families given food & non-food supplies
-  **21,091**
children given gifts on Eid ul Fitr
-  **16,247**
families given Iftar packs for Ramadhan
-  **12,960**
families helped with winter supplies
-  **12,021**
families given Qurbani on Eid ul Adha
-  **5,207**
families given Sadaqatul Fitr packs on Eid
-  **1,050**
families in Idlib given fresh bread daily
-  **753**
injured civilians given monthly cash assistance
-  **8**
medical centres stocked with medical supplies





Key Highlights

 **8**
containers sent from
the UK

 **£550,000**
worth of goods sent
from the UK

Assisting Ghouta Under Siege

Nowhere in Syria has there been more at stake than near the capital, Damascus. Just 15km away, in Eastern Ghouta, a brutal siege and constant airstrikes have starved and punished over 400,000 civilians – at least half of whom are children.

Ghouta has been under siege since 2013 and has suffered the worst brutalities in Syria's war. Cluster munitions, napalm and chemical weapons have all been dropped here, leaving tens of thousands dead, and countless surviving widows and orphans as a result.

As the siege and air raids intensified through 2017 and early 2018, Ummah Welfare Trust responded by providing cooked food, clothing and winter supplies to tens of thousands of families. Cash assistance programmes also expanded, helping hundreds of widowed and orphaned families to survive.

Up until Ghouta's collapse, Ummah Welfare Trust was funding six schools, ensuring a free education for over 1,600 children. Though this blessed region has today been devastated, the charity will continue to help these, as well as Syria's other children, so long as it has strength inshaAllah.

May Allah give Jannah to all the innocents killed in Ghouta and across Syria. Ameen.

Key Highlights

 **11,000**
cooked meals
provided across
Ghouta

 **9,500**
families given
food and non-food
supplies

 **1,600**
children given
a free education

 **737**
orphans given
monthly support

 **153**
injured civilians
given cash support

Hope from the UK

Clothing and other non-cash contributions continue to be sent from the UK for Syria's families. Alhamdulillah, eight containers of relief supplies have been prepared and sent in the past year, delivering winter clothing, hygiene supplies, gift bags and medical aid.

Filling a 40 foot container and sending it off can be hard work, but each shipment contains vital aid that reaches the people and hospitals within 6-8 weeks of being dispatched.

All of the aid arrives to Syria through Turkey. Once it arrives at Ummah Welfare Trust's warehouse in Sarmada, Idlib, a network of staff and volunteers are ready to risk their lives to distribute the aid to needy communities and families.



HELPING IRAQ'S COMMUNITIES

Emergency assistance continues for suffering communities in north and west Iraq.

The costs of heavy fighting in Iraq since 2014 have been staggering. Thousands of innocent Muslims have been killed while swaths of major cities like Mosul, Ramadi and Fallujah lie in ruins. Over half a million survivors today live in crowded refugee camps with little hope of returning home.

The past 18 months in Iraq have arguably been the most difficult since Ummah Welfare Trust began work here in 2005. The charity however has been able to respond to Mosul's terrible destruction by supporting over 16,000 families during the past year.

Emergency food supplies have been delivered to over 10,000 families who fled the terrible bombings over Mosul and Tal Afar. Cash grants, fuel and blankets have also been provided to thousands of families in Baghdad, Erbil and Ramadi, alhamdulillah.









Rehabilitation efforts have meanwhile continued. Damaged masjids across Nineveh, Anbar and Baghdad have been restocked with mushafs, while Ummah Welfare Trust's vocational centre in Erbil continues to provide free training to hundreds of single mothers.

'The most beloved deed in the sight of Allah after the compulsory acts is bringing happiness to a Muslim.'

[Tabarani]



Key Highlights

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|  10,145
families given emergency food assistance |  6,020
families given winter supplies |  1,506
families given Iftaar packs for Ramadhan |  815
families given Qurbani on Eid ul Adha |
|  670
widows given large cash grants |  180
widows given free tailoring classes |  70
masjids restocked with Qur'ans |  50
orphans given monthly support |

FOR YEMEN'S FORGOTTEN

Your donations continue to deliver life-saving food and health supplies to beleaguered families.

Yemen remains not only at war but in the throes of a humanitarian catastrophe. Thousands of Yemenis have lost their lives since 2015, while over two million have been driven from their homes. An estimated five million people today do not know where their next meal will come from.

Yemen's desperate, and mostly forgotten plight, has compelled Ummah Welfare Trust to increase relief efforts here. Through the past year, the charity has delivered food and non-food provisions to thousands of stranded families in Ta'iz, Sana'a, Hudaydah and Aden.

With the war crippling many families' ability to earn, the charity has provided cash grants to hundreds of families in Sana'a and Ma'rib. Alhamdulillah, over 50 hifdh teachers in Sana'a have also been reimbursed to ensure that they can continue teaching children for free.









Health needs also haven't been overlooked. In response to the sweeping cholera epidemic, vital medicines have been delivered to clinics in Hudaydah and Tai'z. Generators for over-worked hospitals in Tai'z have also been refuelled to enable them to continue functioning.

'There is no leader who closes the door to someone in need, one suffering in poverty, except that Allah closes the gates of the heavens for him when he is suffering in poverty.'

[Tirmidhi]



Key Highlights

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|  6,304
families given emergency food assistance |  3,555
families given Iftaar packs for Ramadhan |  1,709
families given Qurbani on Eid ul Adha |  1,180
homeless families given non-food assistance |
|  400
children in Al Khokha given free education |  250
needy families given cash assistance |  58
hifdh teachers sponsored to teach children |  3
health centres supported with medicines or fuel |

WINTER 2017-18

Bringing Warmth, Saving Lives

Last winter you brought warmth to over 30,000 families living in broken homes or under open skies.

The cold season each year brings another blow to poor families trying to survive. The freezing winds and temperatures push up survival costs, leaving many of our brothers and sisters facing a life or death situation.

Ummah Welfare Trust always strives to prepare families for the winter months, and the past year was no different. Thanks to you, the charity provided winter supplies to families in nine countries, delivering over £3 million of aid in the process.

The biggest winterisation programme came in Syria where many were facing their seventh year of displacement. Here, food, fuel, wood and clothing supplies were delivered to families in Idlib, Homs, Dara'a, and to those in the besieged enclaves of Ghouta and Qalamoun.

Alhamdulillah, similar supplies were delivered to displaced families in North Iraq and Gaza. In South Asia meanwhile, quilts and clothing were delivered to families in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh and India.

'The Messenger of Allah (Sallallahu 'alayhi wasallam) was never asked anything for the sake of Islam but that he would give it.'

[Muslim]

Key Highlights

SYRIA
12,960
families helped with winter supplies

AFGHANISTAN
12,319
families given blankets and clothing

INDIA
11,235
persons given blankets and clothing

IRAQ
6,020
displaced families given blankets and fuel

BANGLADESH
2,950
persons given blankets and clothing

PAKISTAN
2,425
families given blankets, shawls and clothes

GAZA
1,850
families given blankets, jackets, fuel and vouchers

CHECHNYA
1,100
persons given winter clothing

ALBANIA
1,000
families given blankets, heaters or stoves



SUPPORTING OUR MOTHERS

As the number of single mothers across the Ummah proliferates, providing them with the right support remains vital.

Cash Assistance Programmes

Across the Ummah, single and widowed mothers are the worst affected when disasters or poverty strikes. With no breadwinners or assets, many are often reduced to begging or compromising their honour just so their children can survive.

Since many mothers cannot work, and young children shouldn't have to, cash programmes are an excellent way to protect these families. The right amount can stop a mother from withdrawing her children from school or taking on more debt just to survive.

Thanks to you, Ummah Welfare Trust has supported over 6,000 single and widowed mothers through cash programmes in the past year. In the Middle East, South Asia and West Africa, impoverished mothers have received single or regular cash payments.

As wars and systemic poverty leave more mothers penniless and alone, Ummah Welfare Trust hopes to expand this programme. By helping our widowed sisters make ends meet, we can safeguard their Islam, family and honour.



Providing Livelihoods

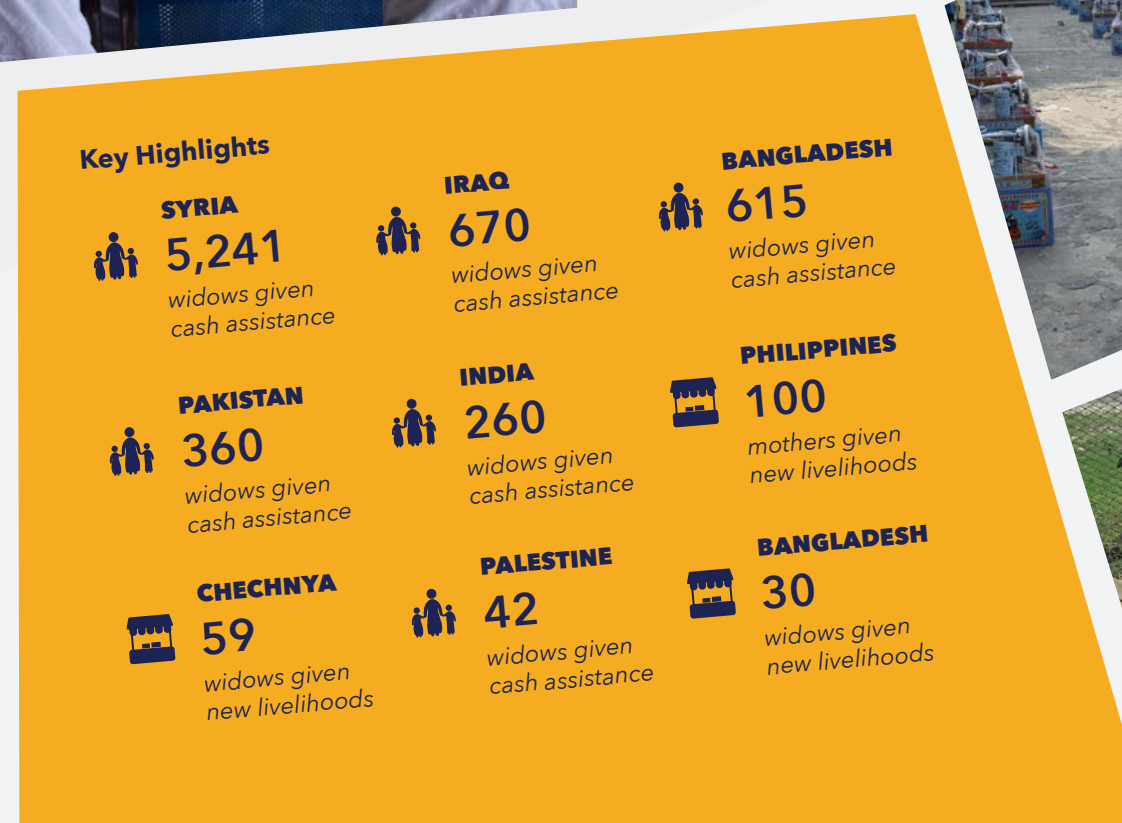
Livelihoods and training are some of the best ways for single mother families to break the cycle of poverty. Livelihoods bring income, which brings choice. Choice to buy better foods, pay for schooling, get healthcare, and even to invest and earn more money.

To facilitate this Ummah Welfare Trust has expanded vocational training centres for single mothers in Pakistan and Iraq this year, and provided new livelihoods to hundreds of mothers in Chechnya, Bangladesh and the Philippines.

Single mothers need not be confined to the edges of communities. By educating them and improving their self-reliance, Ummah Welfare Trust hopes that they too can raise their children honourably, like the mothers of Imam Ahmad, Bukhari and others once did.

'I will be the first person to attempt to open the gate of Jannah. All of a sudden, a woman will appear, attempting to open it before me. I will say: Who are you? She will reply: I am a woman who focused on raising my orphan children (i.e. children who lost their father).'

[Bazzar]



REVIVING THE FAITH

Masjids, madrassahs and maktabas continue to be established, ensuring free Islamic learning for thousands, both young and old.

Supporting Madrassahs & Maktabas

Madrassahs, along with maktabas (or kuttab), trace their traditions back through nearly a thousand years of Islamic learning. Till today they remain the single most vital tool for preserving Prophetic knowledge and cultivating it amongst the masses of the Ummah.

Ummah Welfare Trust continues to support and strengthen these indispensable institutions. Through subsidies, renovations and sponsorship programmes, the charity has helped establish tens of madrassahs and maktabas in the past year, alhamdulillah.

In the Philippines, Gaza, Albania and elsewhere, hifdh and teacher sponsorships are allowing thousands of children to learn and study Islam for free. The construction and renovation of new maktabas in Africa meanwhile is ensuring that the seeds of Iman are flowering in new places.

Madrassahs and maktabas remain integral to the health of any Muslim community. With the right guidance and support, they can continue playing an invaluable role in safeguarding the faith of young Muslims who face ever-increasing tribulations.

'Verily, the believers are like a structure, each one strengthening the other.'

[Bukhari]



Building Allah's Houses

A thriving masjid has always been a sign of Islam's vitality. For this reason it remains a target for Islam's enemies, who in the past hundred years have closed countless masjids across the Ummah, razed them to the ground or changed them for other uses.

Building and preserving the masjid remains the Prophetic tradition of every Muslim community. Ummah Welfare Trust works hard therefore to construct or renovate as many as it can, thereby strengthening the faith of Muslims and keeping them connected.

During the past year, the charity has constructed 55 masjids, and renovated several more, for communities lacking the funds to build. Thanks to you, thousands of worshippers, young and old, enjoy a safe space where they can worship Allah in confidence and unity.

Each new masjid also runs a maktab, offering a place where poor young children can learn Islam as it has been traditionally taught. So long as young children can learn the Book of Allah in His house, then the future of Islam will remain bright inshaAllah.

Key Highlights

 **29,284**
Qur'ans distributed
across institutions

 **16,720**
pairs of Islamic
clothing distributed

 **2,503**
hifdh students
sponsored

 **1,263**
Islamic teachers
sponsored

 **55**
masjids built across
the Ummah

 **34**
madrassahs
supported



A HAND FOR THE UMMAH'S ORPHANS

Orphans across the Ummah continue to be given support to ensure they have the best chance of success.

Helping Children in 13 Countries

Never has the Ummah witnessed a greater number of orphans surviving across its expanse then today. Across the Middle East, South Asia and elsewhere, countless children have no fathers. Sadly despite enduring terrible poverty, few have helped them, consoled them or even extended a hand.

The noble values which Islam has laid out for the believers however can be understood by looking at the importance the religion has given to helping orphans. Taking care of an orphan is one of the greatest doors of good that the Shari'ah has brought.

As the Ummah's security situation worsens, and given Islam's lofty emphasis on helping orphans, Ummah Welfare Trust is working hard to give this vulnerable group a chance. Alhamdulillah, through the past year, the charity has expanded its orphan sponsorship programme to over 10,000 orphans.

Children in Iraq who were orphaned during the bombings of Mosul and Rohingya children in Bangladesh are some of the new orphans being helped. In Syria, Gaza and Afghanistan meanwhile, ongoing sponsorship programmes have expanded.

*'Have you seen him who denies the (Day of) Judgment?
That is the one who repels the orphan and does not encourage feeding the poor.'*

[Q 107:1-3]



The Ummah Children's Academy in Pakistan

The Ummah Children's Academy (UCA) in Pakistan is a flagship orphanage that provides free education and board to over 600 orphans. Constructed by Ummah Welfare Trust in 2005, the academy captures the Islamic ideals of offering complete care and guidance to the forgotten orphan, alhamdulillah.

Children here are given a high quality education, three meals a day, regular medical check-ups and made-to-measure clothing. Madrassah classes run each morning and evening, and so tens of children complete the memorisation of the Qur'an each year.

The UCA remains a seminal project for Ummah Welfare Trust, bringing hope to many of Pakistan's forgotten children. The charity asks Allah to make them a means of spreading guidance, and to be a gateway to Paradise for all those who gave them another chance.



An Academy in Wana

Following the success of the UCA, Ummah Welfare Trust opened a second academy in 2010 in Wana, a town in the forgotten South Waziristan region on the Pakistan-Afghanistan border. Alhamdulillah, this unique school provides a comprehensive education and full support to 430 orphans.



Key Highlights



10,038
orphans sponsored globally



656
orphans given support at the UCA



13
countries in which orphan sponsorship projects run



4
orphanages being supported

SHELTER FOR THE UMMAH

Your donations have delivered new homes to hundreds of displaced and impoverished families.

The home is a basic human need. It offers a family sanctuary and protection, and consolidates their social and economic position. Having a home makes it easier for children to go to school and breadwinners to earn a livelihood.

There are few forms of poverty more crippling than homelessness. Homelessness gives rise to loneliness and desperation. It threatens the survival of the family unit and is usually the biggest sign that a family needs immediate help.

Ummah Welfare Trust has in recent years been providing solutions to families battling homelessness or housing poverty. With approval from local authorities, and using communities' own labour, the charity has been providing cheap yet secure housing to poor families.

Through the past year the charity has renovated damaged homes in Gaza and constructed new ones in Pakistan, Malawi, India and the Philippines. Alhamdulillah, thousands of our brothers and sisters are today physically and emotionally secure thanks to you.

'There is no right for the son of Adam except in these things: a house in which he lives, a garment to cover his nakedness, a piece of bread and water.'

[Tirmidhi]



Key Highlights

BANGLADESH
400
Rohingya families given new homes

PAKISTAN
123
homes built across KPK and Punjab

GAZA
83
families in Gaza have had homes repaired

MALAWI
70
families in Mangochi given new homes

PHILIPPINES
38
families in Zamboanga given new homes

INDIA
33
Imams in Assam given new homes

UNITING CHILDREN



Kidz 4 Kidz 2018 saw thousands of children across the UK come together to help their fellow children.

Schoolchildren across the UK were able to show their fundraising capabilities once again thanks to Ummah Welfare Trust's Kidz 4 Kidz campaign. Over 25,000 took part this year to collectively raise over £200,000 for fellow children across the Ummah, alhamdulillah.

The money raised was used to provide gifts to children in the Middle East, support schools in Syria, help disabled children in Pakistan, assist madrassahs in Albania, and build a new masjid, along with maktab, in Malawi.

Now in its seventh year, Kidz 4 Kidz has become more than about raising money, offering a chance to talk to our children about the world in which they live, the poverty of its residents, and the blessed position that we're in to help.

Alhamdulillah, our young fundraisers didn't disappoint after learning more from Ummah Welfare Trust's representatives. May Allah accept their amazing efforts this year and raise them to become unwavering servants for the Ummah.

'Be kind to your children, and perfect their manners.'

[Ibn Majah]



Key Highlights

£240,000
raised for children across the Ummah

25,000
children in the UK got involved to raise funds

5,800
children helped around the Ummah

SEASONAL ISLAMIC PROGRAMMES

The virtuous months of Ramadhan and Dhul Hijjah always bring opportunities for relief and reward.

Iftaar with the Ummah

Ramadhan gives donors the opportunity to earn great reward, by none more so than supporting Ummah Welfare Trust's global Iftaar programme. In what remains the charity's largest annual project, food packs are given to thousands of poor families in arrival for Ramadhan.

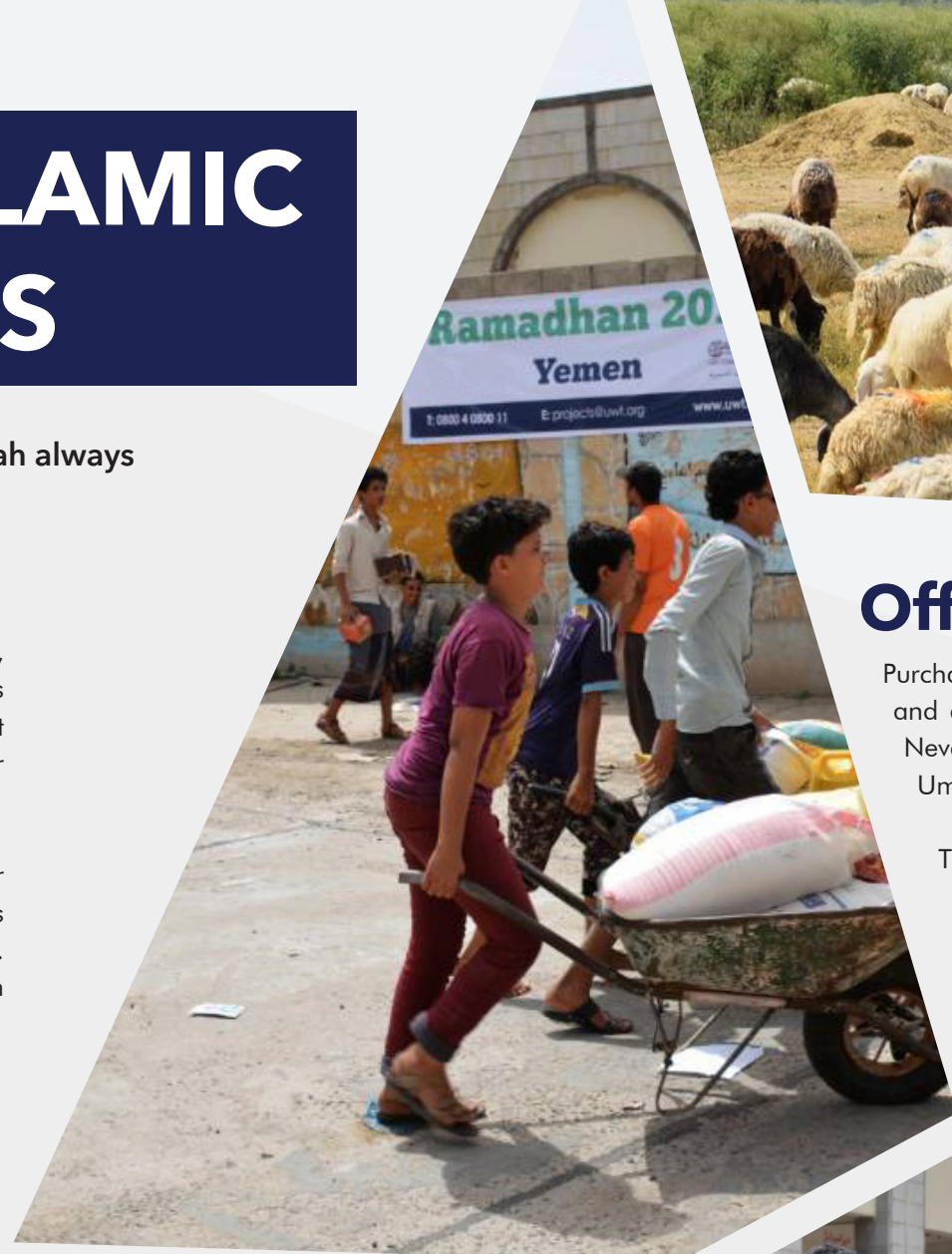
Alhamdulillah, the programme was hugely successful for Ramadhan 2017. Over 100,000 poor families from across Africa, Asia and the Middle East received vital provisions. Thanks to you, they were able to enjoy suhoor and iftaar in Ramadhan's blessed days.

Key Highlights

 **116,000**  **20**

families given
Iftaar packs

countries where Iftaar
packs were delivered



Offering Your Qurbani

Purchasing thousands of animals, caring for them, and then sacrificing and distributing their meat within three days is always a challenge. Nevertheless Dhul Hijjah's Qurbani programme remains one of Ummah Welfare Trust's most popular programmes.

The charity sacrificed over 12,000 animals for Eid ul Adha 2017, alhamdulillah. Cows, goats and sheep were all sacrificed, allowing over half a million poor Muslims to enjoy blessed Udhiyyah. May Allah accept these sacrifices from you.

'Verily, the most beloved food to Allah is that received by many hands.'

[Bayhaqi]

Key Highlights

 **680,000+**
Muslims benefitted
from Qurbani

 **12,811**
animals were
sacrificed

 **19**
countries where
Qurbani took place

LIVES YOU'VE CHANGED

Some of the thousands of Muslims whom you've helped in the past year.

'He who removes from a Muslim one of the difficulties of this world, Allah will remove from him from one the difficulties of the hereafter. He who provides ease to a person, Allah will provide ease to him in this world and in the hereafter.'

[Muslim]

**Umm
Muhammad**



A widow in Idlib, Syria, receives monthly support for her 5 orphaned children.

We lived in Aleppo city and were displaced to northern Idlib. My husband was killed four years ago in the shelling. Alhamdulillah, my children were rescued on the orphan support programme. We thank those who have helped us; Allah reward them well.

**Sambujang
Kuyateh**



A sponsored teacher at Madrasah Ousman Faye, in central Gambia.

I am so happy for the assistance with which I can buy food for my four children and pay my bills. Alhamdulillah I am able to teach many children daily now that I receive a salary. I pray to Allah to keep them (the donors) steadfast and to help them wherever they want to be.

**Hafidh
Ilmuddin**



Imam of the new Masjid Adam, built by Ummah Welfare Trust in Ajmer, India.

Before there wasn't a single person for salah. And not a single child for Qur'anic Ta'alim. Now there is a masjid and so there is salah. Between 60 and 70 children are importantly learning the Qur'an. My wife also teaches the women and girls which is helping, alhamdulillah.

**Shaban
Thalathini**



A hifdh student in Gaza who receives monthly support to help him study for free.

My father suddenly passed away due to a stroke. Alhamdulillah, I started memorising the Qur'an in 2013 and I am close to finishing today thanks to the monthly support. After memorising the Qur'an and graduating, I hope to be a biology teacher inshaAllah.

**Maryat
Achetyevna**



A widow in rural Chechnya who was helped with a cattle breeding business.

My husband died early last year after a long battle against cancer. We are a family of eight who live in just two rooms. Alhamdulillah, I received milking cows whose dairy I now sell. Due to my age, my daughter-in-law helps. Slowly we hope to breed more and sell more inshaAllah.

**Esnart
Ndapile**



A mother in Mangochi, South Malawi, who received a new habitable home.

I am a widow whose husband died three years ago and was left with seven children. My house was destroyed in 2015 due to a hailstorm. Alhamdulillah, I am so thankful for the new house. I make abundant du'as for the donors as today I live in a house that does not leak.

Where Relief Efforts have Reached



VALUING EVERY POUND

Since its inception, Ummah Welfare Trust has run a 100% donations policy.

Ummah Welfare Trust's 100% donations policy ensures that every single penny you donate is used solely for charitable purposes. Donations go into a 'charity only' account from which nothing is removed for fundraising or administration costs, alhamdulillah.

Like any large organisation, Ummah Welfare Trust does have running costs. To cover these the charity runs a separate administration account, maintained with separate funding. This model ensures that administration costs need not impact valuable charitable donations.



Fundraising Efforts By Volunteers

Volunteers continue to remain the backbone of the charity's work.

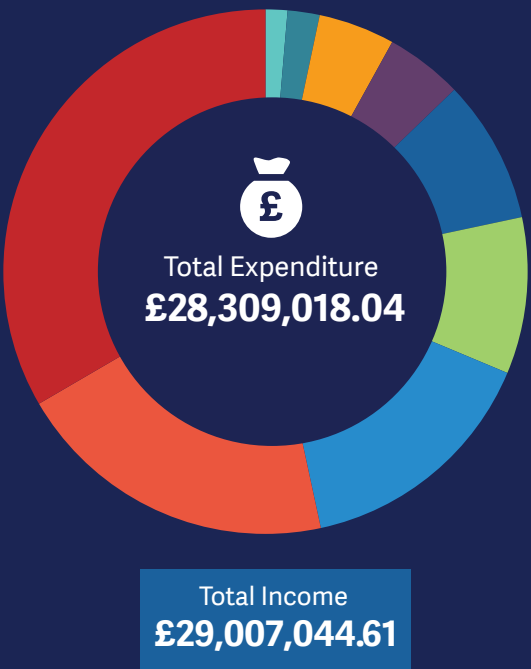
Volunteers have inspired Ummah Welfare Trust over the years, offering their skills and free time to help the charity to benefit millions of our brothers and sisters. The past year has been no different, with hundreds of brothers and sisters getting involved to support the Ummah. May Allah accept their amazing efforts.



RELIEF EFFORTS IN THE PAST YEAR

Between 1st April 2017 and 31st March 2018.

Amount Spent

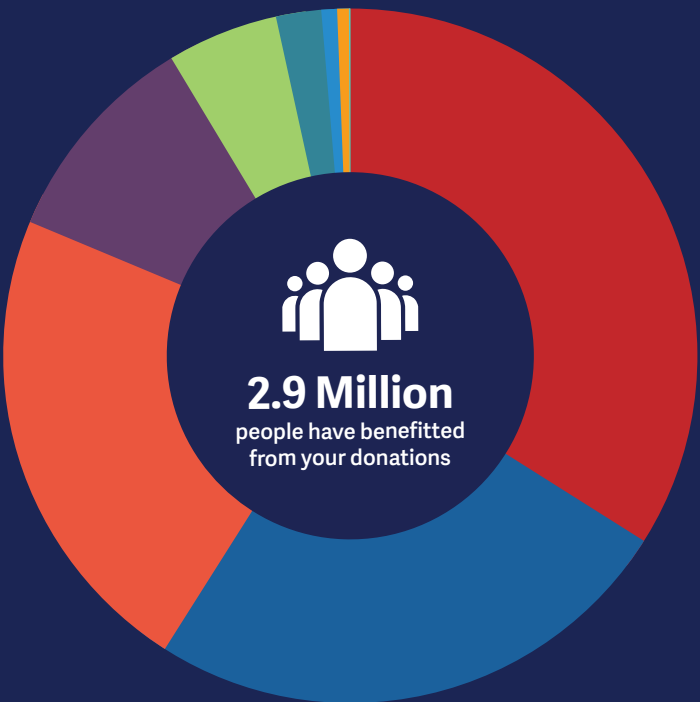


£9,454,875.43	Emergency Relief Food Aid Hygiene Supplies Winter Supplies Tents Fuel Supplies Cooked Food Clothing
£5,658,770.90	Ramadhan & Gifts Iftar Packs Eid Gifts Kidz 4 Kidz
£4,331,782.36	Financial Assistance Orphans Sponsorship Widows Support Disability Support Injured Families Support
£2,730,673.12	Da'wah & Education Hifdh Sponsorship Teacher Sponsorship Madrassah Support Schools Support Book Distribution Qur'an Provision
£2,509,123.04	Islamic Rituals Qurbani Aqeeqah Sadaqatul Fitr
£1,350,696.92	Water & Sanitation Water Wells Hand Pumps Water Tankers
£1,333,204.15	Construction Masjids Houses
£559,105.05	Medical Aid & Rehabilitation Cataract Surgery Dialysis Treatment Medical Clinics Trauma Centre Disability Centres Medicines
£380,787.07	Livelihoods & Training Rickshaws Fishing Boats Livestock Stalls Vocational Training

Number of People Helped

990,576	Emergency Relief
730,242	Islamic Rituals
651,251	Ramadhan & Gifts
294,098	Water & Sanitation
151,150	Da'wah & Education
61,355	Medical Aid & Rehabilitation
21,332	Financial Assistance
15,820	Construction
1,898	Livelihoods & Training

From 2001 to 2018
24 Million
people have benefitted from
Ummah Welfare Trust's efforts



THE SHIELDED FORTRESS

Order your copy of Ummah Welfare Trust's new Daily Adhkar.

Writing in 791 AH/1389 AD, the great scholar, the master of Tajweed and Qira'at, Ibn al-Jazari (Rahimahullah) completed his book 'al-Hisn al-Hasin' by writing:

'I have finished with the compilation and arrangement of this (book). I write these lines while all doors (roads) leading to and from Damascus are closed. They are in fact, sealed with stones and the masses have all taken up positions at the walls of the cities and are crying out for help to Allah.

They are in utter misery as a result of the town being laid under siege; no water is allowed to enter the city and the hands are raised in du'a pleading to their Lord. The surroundings of the city have been put to fire and most of the little villages in the surroundings have been destroyed. Each individual is in the state of fear for his life, family and property.

Everyone is scared of his own sins and wrongdoings. Hence every person is concerned about saving himself according to his own ability. At a time like this I have made this (book) my sanctuary and fortress and I have placed my trust in Allah, for He is Sufficient for me and He is the Best Protector.'

Today, hundreds of years after his demise, al-Hisn al-Hasin is read by Muslims across the Ummah. Containing an invaluable collection of Sunnah adhkar and du'as (remembrances and supplications), Ibn al Jazari writes how Allah saved him and other Muslims from seemingly inevitable slaughter by virtue of what the book contained.



Ummah Welfare Trust distributed its adhkar cards across Northern Syria last year.

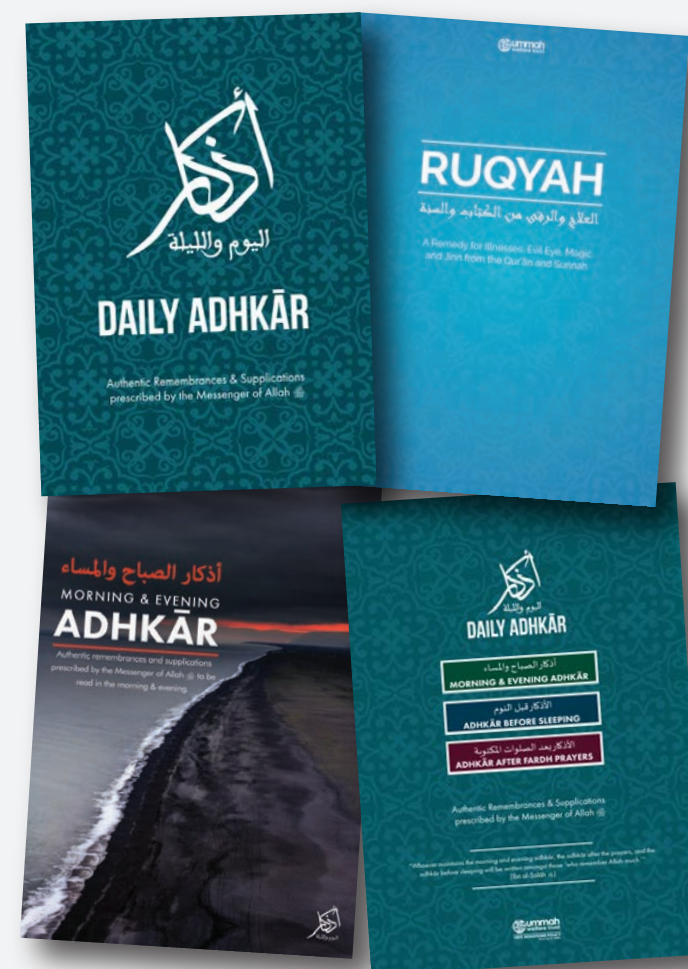
Ummah Welfare Trust's Daily Adhkar

Following in the footsteps of Ibn al-Jazari, Ummah Welfare Trust has printed 'Daily Adhkar,' a book to help Muslims reconnect with Allah Most High through the invincible fortress of dhikr and du'a.

The book contains an indispensable collection of remembrances and supplications, all established from the Sunnah. By implementing these in our daily lives, we can garner vital protection from all kinds of difficulties: ranging from depression to disbelief; poverty to procrastination; and from magic to the misery of old age.

Ummah Welfare Trust asks Allah to give us the ability to worship Him in the best way possible, according to how His Beloved (Sallallahu 'alayhi wasallam) taught us. May Allah forgive us our sins and give us a generous portion of the unparalleled rewards that His Beloved has promised us.

The Collection



Get Your Free Copy Today

- Contains the Sunnah adhkar of the morning and evening, after the fardh prayers, before sleeping, day-to-day actions and for healing.
- Has fully-vowelled and easy-to-read Arabic script.
- Contains translations and virtues of the different adhkar to inspire readers.
- Helps answer key questions such as: What should I be thinking when doing dhikr? What does it actually mean to send 'salutations' on the Messenger? Is it better to recite Qur'an or do dhikr? and more.
- All du'as and adhkar are fully referenced. Anything deemed inauthentic by scholars has been omitted.
- Book is accompanied by different summary cards. Smaller cards are handy for handbags, pockets and bedside tables. Larger versions help the visually impaired.
- A unique Ruqyah card is also available, outlining the Prophetic method of dealing with illnesses, magic and jinn.
- Available in hard copy and PDF.

How to Order

Visit uwf.org to download free PDFs of Ummah Welfare Trust's adhkar publications.

To order hard copies visit your closest Ummah Welfare Trust shop or call 01204 661030 to order.

PROJECTS PRICE LIST

Eligible for Zakat, Sadaqah & Lillah

Most Needy This gives the charity the flexibility to spend your money on projects and countries (except administration) shown below, as and when needed.

Emergency Appeals

Syria: Any amount

Iraq: Any amount

Yemen: Any amount

Orphan Sponsorship

Syria: £408 annually

Iraq: £408 annually

Most Needy: £300 annually

Hifdh Sponsorship

Gambia: £15 per month

India: £15 per month

Pakistan: £15 per month

Philippines: £22 per month

Palestine: £25 per month

(Subject to availability)

Animal Sacrifice/Aqeeqah

Small Animal: £60

Large Animal: £210

Food Aid

Most Needy: Any amount

Eligible for Sadaqah & Lillah

Water Projects

Hand Pumps

Bangladesh: £170

India: £170

Water Wells

Pakistan: £450 (Max 100ft depth)

Pakistan: £650 (Max 180ft depth)

Malawi: £1,200

Water Distribution

Palestine: Any amount

Medical Clinic

Malawi: Any amount

Kashmir: Any amount

Haiti: Any amount

Ummah College of Technology

Pakistan: Any amount

Medical Aid

Syria: Any amount

Note

The above is a summary of the charity's projects. It is intended as a guide only.

All projects and amounts are subject to change. For further queries, please call 01204 661 030.

Ramadhan 2018

Iftaar Pack: £100 or £50

Sadaqatul Fitr: £2.50 per person

Eid Gift: £10

Widow Support

Most Needy: Any amount

House Construction

Pakistan: £2,000

New Muslim Sponsorship

Pakistan: £15 per month

Ummah Centre for the Disabled (running costs)

Pakistan: Any amount

Ummah Children Academy (running costs)

Pakistan: Any amount

Food Vouchers

Palestine: £25 per month

Medical Aid

Cataract Surgery

Pakistan: £50 per patient

India: £50 per patient

Dialysis Treatment

Pakistan: £25 per session

India: £25 per session

Income Generation

Bangladesh: Any amount

Pakistan: Any amount

Chechnya: Any amount

Gaza Hardship Cases

Palestine: Any amount

Kaffarah or Fidyah

Feed 1 person: £2.50

(Can be subject to change)

Masjid Construction

Pakistan (small): £6,500

Pakistan (large): £12,850

India: £18,000

Philippines: £14,000

Malawi: £18,000

Afghanistan: £20,000

Palestine: Any amount

Quran Translation for Da'wah

Most Needy: £3.50 per copy

Administration

UK: Any amount

Braille Qur'an

Without Translation: £50

With Translation: £75

Ummah Girls Academy

India: Any amount

KEEP IN TOUCH

Shops & Offices

Donation Point **Bolton (Head Office)**
Clothing Bank 578-600 St Helens Road, BL3 3SJ
Tel: 01204 661 030

Donation Point **Bolton**
Clothing Bank 351 Derby Street, BL3 6LR
Ummah Shop Tel: 01204 850 138

Donation Point **Bradford**
Clothing Bank 204 Manningham Lane, BD8 7DT
Charity Shop Tel: 01274 390 630

Donation Point **Birmingham**
Clothing Bank 175 Witton Road, Aston, B6 6JR
Charity Shop Tel: 0121 682 0070

Donation Point **Birmingham**
Clothing Bank 454 Stratford Road, B11 4AE
Charity Shop Tel: 0121 773 4039

Donation Point **Blackburn**
Ummah Shop 11 Whalley Range, BB1 6DX
Tel: 01254 674 596

Donation Point **Dewsbury**
Clothing Bank 29 Savile Road, WF12 9PJ
Charity Shop Tel: 01924 695 160

Donation Point **Leicester**
Clothing Bank 1 Haddon Street, LE2 0GG
Charity Shop Tel: 0116 262 2566

Donation Point **London**
Clothing Bank 477-479 Romford Road, Forest Gate, E7 8AD
Charity Shop Tel: 0208 616 8660

Donation Point **Luton**
Clothing Bank 169 Dunstable Road, LU1 1BW
Charity Shop Tel: 01582 966 460

Donation Point **Glasgow**
Clothing Bank 127 Albert Drive, Pollokshields, G41 2SU
Charity Shop Tel: 0141 423 9362

Donation Point **Preston**
Clothing Bank 212 New Hall Lane, PR1 4SS
Charity Shop Tel: 01772 446860

Ways to Donate

Online

Secure online donations can be made using your credit/debit card or via paypal at uwf.org.

Phone

Call the donation line 01204 661030 (0800 4 0800 11).

Standing Orders

Download the STDO form from uwf.org or email standingorders@uwf.org or phone 01204 661030 (0800 4 0800 11).

Post

Make cheques & postal orders payable to Ummah Welfare Trust. Send to Ummah Welfare Trust Donations Department, 578-600 St Helens Road, BL3 3SJ, Bolton.

When sending a cheque or postal order, please also enclose your donation and contact details. **Please do not send cash by post.**

Bank Transfer

Transfer money directly to Ummah Welfare Trust.

Al Rayan Bank | Sort Code: 30-00-83 | Account Number: 01106403.

For international transfers, transfer money to Ummah Welfare Trust.

IBAN: GB22ARAY30008301106403, Swift Code: ARAYGB22

When making a bank transfer, please email banktransfer@uwf.org.

If no information is received within one working day of making the transfer, the donation will be receipted as 'Zakah' for the 'Most Needy' project, as an anonymous donation.

Email Contacts

General Enquiries: info@uwf.org

Volunteer Enquiries: volunteers@uwf.org

Project Enquiries: projects@uwf.org

Orphan, Hifdh or Well Enquiries: orphans@uwf.org

Donation Enquiries: donations@uwf.org



Sunnah Foods | Prayer Essentials
Sunnah Remedies | Books
Islamic Wear | Fragrances | Hajj & Umrah | Islamic Frames

Maintaining 100% Donations Policy
Profits from the Ummah shops go towards the charity.



Islamic Books



Men's & Women's Clothing



Men's & Women's Fragrances



Sunnah Products

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SHARE YOUR *Blessings*

RAMADHAN 1439 (2018)

*'Whatever good you send forward for
yourselves, you will find it with Allah,
and greater in reward.'*
(Q 73:20)



IFTAAR PACK
£100
(Emergency)

IFTAAR PACK
£50
(General)

EID GIFT
£10

SADAQATUL
FITR
£2.50
per person