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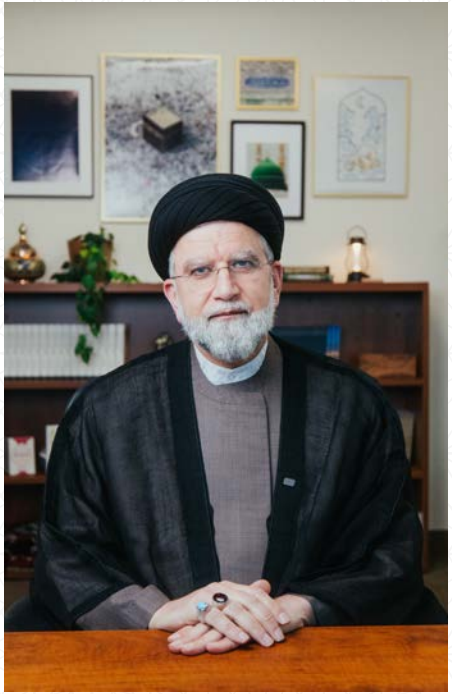
A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

In the Name of Allah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

وَقُلِ اعْمَلُوا فَسَيَرَى اللَّهُ عَمَلَكُمْ وَرَسُولُهُ وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ

"And say, 'Strive! For Allah will observe your deeds, and [so will] His Messenger and the faithful . . .'"

[The Holy Qur'an, 9:105]



Respected Community Members,
Peace be with you (*As-salamu 'Alaykum*),

For more than two decades, the Imam Mahdi Association of Marjaeya (I.M.A.A.M.) has had the honor to serve the Muslim community across North America as a trusted bridge between the Religious Authority (marjaeya) and the communities we call home. Our commitment has always been to preserve authentic Islamic teachings while responding thoughtfully to the evolving needs of Muslims living in contemporary society.

This brochure offers more than an introduction to I.M.A.A.M.; it reflects a vision of service. Every department, initiative, project, and program represented in these pages is guided by a single purpose: to strengthen faith and knowledge, support families, educate future generations, care for those in need, and foster vibrant communities grounded in the teachings of the Holy Qur'an and the Ahl al-Bayt (pbut).

None of this would be possible without the blessings of Almighty Allah, the supervision and guidance of our esteemed religious authorities, and the dedication of our scholars, staff, volunteers, donors, and community partners. Together, we continue to build institutions that will benefit not only the present generation but those yet to come.

Whether you are discovering I.M.A.A.M. for the first time or have been part of our journey for years, I invite you to explore our work, share in our vision, and join us in advancing a future where faith inspires service, knowledge cultivates excellence, and compassion strengthens our communities.

May Allah grant us sincerity in our efforts, accept this humble service, and hasten the reappearance of our Imam al-Mahdi (p).

Sincerely,
Sayyid M. B. Kashmiri
Jurist Representative & Director of I.M.A.A.M.

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ABOUT I.M.A.M. AND ITS CORE FUNCTIONS

The Imam Mahdi Association of Marjaeya, Inc. (I.M.A.M.) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax-exempt religious organization.

We are devoted to building a strong Shia Muslim community in North America by serving as the central point of contact between the Religious Authority (marjaeya) and the local schools, centers, mosques, organizations, and faithful believers.

We are passionately dedicated to the advancement of Muslim communities in North America—whether it be in the religious, spiritual, educational, or social realms.



I.M.A.M.'s mission is carried out through several key, integrated core functions.

01

Religious Services include issuing jurisprudential guidance and addressing emerging religious inquiries within the North American context.

02

Religious Education focuses on nurturing an Islamic lifestyle rooted in faith and civic responsibility by providing accessible educational resources through diverse platforms and sponsoring qualified students for advanced hawza studies.

03

Managing Charity and Religious Dues involves the proper collection and distribution of khums and other obligations, as well as assisting institutions in acquiring the necessary permissions.

04

Hawza Liaison involves maintaining direct communication with the marjaeya and fostering scholarly exchange between the seminary and North American scholars.

05

Community Cohesion aims to promote unity, facilitate collaboration among institutions, scholars, and experts, resolve conflicts through mediation, and lead interfaith and intrafaith engagements.

Through these core functions, I.M.A.M. plays a pivotal role in supporting the religious, educational, social, and spiritual development of the North American Muslim community, implementing a wide range of international, national, and local projects, programs, and initiatives.

NATIONAL
PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

GET ANSWERS

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A qualified team of scholars is available daily to answer your Islamic jurisprudence (*fiqh*) questions by phone in English, Spanish, Arabic, Urdu, and Persian, and by email in English only. This service covers a wide range of topics, including business transactions, family matters, prayer, hajj, fasting, and more. Our team handles over 7,000 calls and thousands of emails each year.



ISLAMIC AWARENESS

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Raising awareness and fostering insight in religious matters are among the most vital responsibilities of religious scholars and institutions. Their role is to promote the growth of believers so they can understand and internalize their faith with clarity and discernment, ultimately contributing to the well-being of individuals and families and the development of a righteous and thriving community.

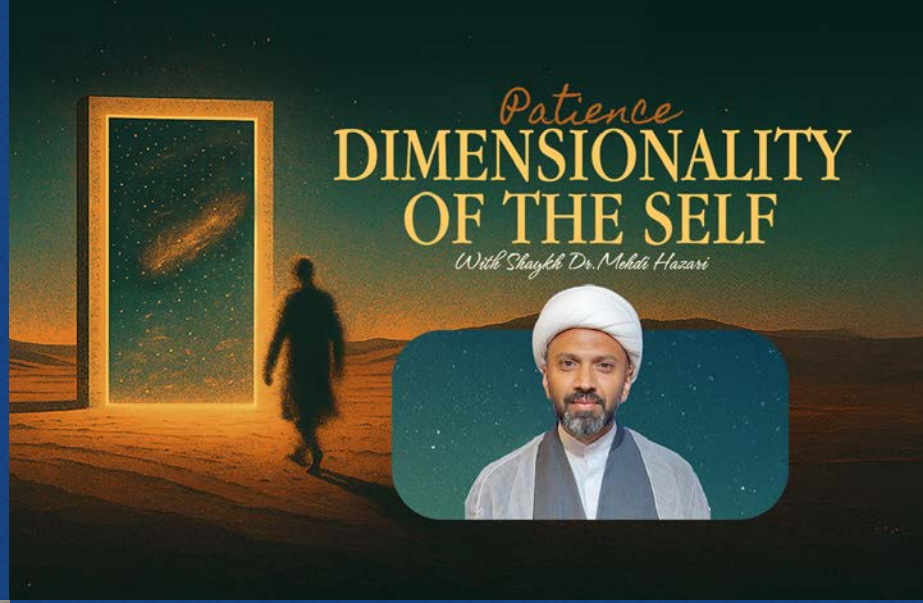
I.M.A.M. fulfills this responsibility through various methods and activities, such as:

01 Ahl al-Bayt Campaign

I.M.A.M. honors the legacy of the Prophet and his family (pbut) by creating concise blog posts for major Islamic events—such as births, martyrdoms, Mab'ath, the Day of Arafa, Eid al-Ghadir, Eid al-Fitr, and Eid al-Adha. These posts include links to additional resources, helping believers reconnect with their spiritual heritage. The goal is to inspire reflection, deepen understanding, and promote ongoing engagement with Islamic values in everyday life. This awareness campaign is among the most well-received across I.M.A.M.'s media platforms, offering gentle reminders that resonate with a wide audience.

02 Workshops

Our Education Department provides a variety of workshops throughout the year on topics such as Qur'anic commentary, Islamic jurisprudence (fiqh), theology (*aqa'id*), contemporary issues, citizenship, integration, and religious identity. These workshops are led by qualified professionals and are offered both in person and online.





03 Classes

I.M.A.M. offers a series of educational classes throughout the year on various religious and cultural topics, designed for different age groups and knowledge levels. While some sessions are broadcast to a broader audience, most are held locally. These classes follow the academic calendar and aim to supplement students' general education with spiritual and cultural enrichment.

04 Webinars

Our Education Department hosts a variety of engaging webinars throughout the year that cover current issues, lifestyle topics, community growth, and urgent challenges facing our society. These sessions are led by qualified professionals and are accessible to the public online, supporting broader participation and ongoing learning.





05 Conferences and Exhibitions

Serving a diverse community across North America's vast geography requires proactive engagement. To bridge these distances, I.M.A.M. strategically participates in prominent regional and national conferences, conventions, and interfaith exhibitions. These platforms allow us to showcase our educational initiatives, strengthen institutional partnerships, and connect directly with both Muslim and non-Muslim communities. Through this active presence, I.M.A.M. continues to raise awareness, build trust, and extend the vital guidance of the Religious Authority (marjaeya) in support of community cohesion and leadership.

RELIGIOUS DUES SERVICES

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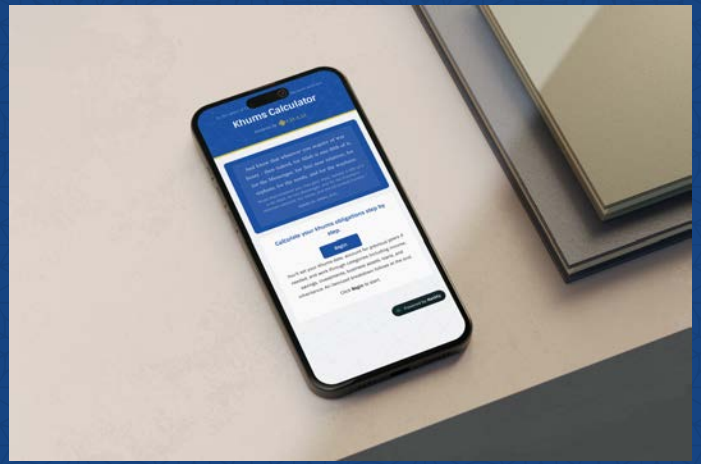
The Accounting Department offers a variety of services for accepting religious donations, including *sadaqa, khums, zakat*, feeding the poor, *kaffara* (expiation), *fidya*, and more. Under the guidance of the authorized religious representative, the department also helps donors with detailed religious accounting to ensure they correctly fulfill their financial obligations. All funds are allocated and disbursed according to the rulings and guidance of the Religious Authority, supporting initiatives like educational projects, Islamic centers, mosques, schools, aid for the poor and needy, and the organization's operational costs and staffing. For more information, visit imam-us.org/charity-dues.



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R.I.S.E. INITIATIVE

R.I.S.E.

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Resilience, Identity, Support, and Empowerment (R.I.S.E.) aims to strengthen the Islamic identity of the community, especially among followers of the Ahl al-Bayt (pbut), while promoting resilience and well-being. Through workshops, counseling, and religious guidance, R.I.S.E. helps individuals and families overcome challenges and grow together. Its programs cover topics such as Islamic law, creed, parenting, marriage, and resilience, and are available online, in person, or in a hybrid format. Its Faith-Based Counseling offers confidential support for mental health and family issues, while educational programs address concerns like domestic abuse, substance use, stigma, and wellness. For more details, visit imam-us.org/rise.

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ADVANCED HAWZA STUDIES

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This program provides advanced seminary-level courses in subjects such as fiqh, *usul al-fiqh, 'ilm al-rijal*, hadith, and more. It is tailored for students seeking to deepen their knowledge and become qualified religious scholars. Classes are conducted in Arabic and are held in a private setting.

MURTADA ACADEMY

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Murtada Academy is a foundational Islamic studies program designed for youth aged 14 to 21. It offers an introduction to Islamic sciences for those interested in deepening their knowledge of Islam for personal growth. Additionally, it serves as a pathway for those seeking to pursue advanced seminary education. Classes are held twice a week during the academic year, totaling 30 weeks. Students study key subjects including Qur'anic sciences (*'ulum al-Qur'an*), Islamic history, Islamic jurisprudence (fiqh), ethics (*akhlaq*), theology (*aqa'id*), and logic (*mantiq*). For more information, visit murtadaacademy.org.

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BASEERA PROJECT

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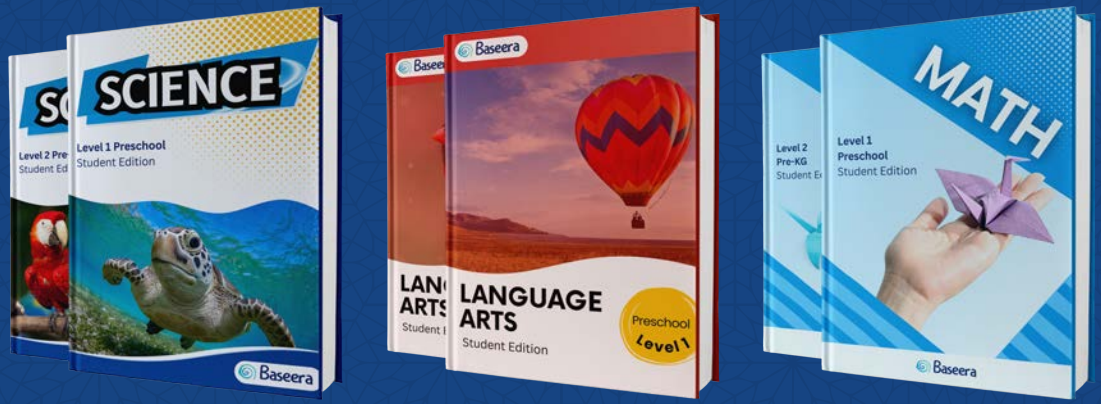
This educational project is designed to serve homeschooling families, co-ops, micro-schools, and students and educators in traditional classrooms. It provides a comprehensive curriculum that seamlessly combines Islamic faith with core academic subjects, promoting both intellectual growth and spiritual development. By focusing on nurturing an Islamic worldview, fostering a sense of purpose, and instilling values of stewardship and responsibility, Baseera aims to raise a generation of confident, grounded, and God-conscious learners.



I.Q.R.A. ONLINE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

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I.Q.R.A. Online is a 30-week weekend Islamic program for children ages 5–13, offering instruction in Arabic, Qur'an, and essential Islamic values. This initiative serves families nationwide who lack local access to Islamic education.



FAMILY SERVICES

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Our Family and Social Affairs Department provides marriage, divorce, and counseling services both in person and online. These services are offered in five different languages to reflect the diversity of our North American community. Each year, the department handles a large number of cases from across the continent, all of which are managed by skilled scholars experienced in Islamic family law and community issues. These scholars spend hundreds of hours working to foster reconciliation, encourage harmony, and resolve problems—making every effort to protect the family unit and, whenever possible, prevent cases from ending in divorce.

PUBLICATIONS

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Our publications focus on topics that directly support our organization's mission, with a strong emphasis on Islamic jurisprudence (fiqh). We strive to make complex subjects in Islamic jurisprudence accessible and easy to understand for youth and young adults by using clear, modern language. All books are available in paperback and Kindle formats, and PDF files are provided free of charge on the I.M.A.M. website.



AL-TUSI LIBRARY

HEADQUARTERS		NATIONAL		
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Our headquarters in Dearborn features a dedicated reading and study center with a library holding over 10,000 books in both Arabic and English. Readers and researchers can access a variety of encyclopedias, primary sources, and authoritative works across different fields. A local borrowing service is currently available, and remote access and borrowing will be introduced soon. For further details, visit library.imam-us.org.



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HOLY QUR'AN TRANSLATION AND COMMENTARY PROJECT

HEADQUARTERS		NATIONAL		
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To address a critical shortage of accurate English works reflecting the perspective of the Ahl al-Bayt (pbut), this project combines rigorous scholarship, authentic traditions, and linguistic precision to produce an exemplary Qur'anic translation and commentary.

True accuracy requires more than basic language proficiency; it demands deep expertise in Islamic studies and contextual insight into revelation, along with multi-stage reviews by native English-speaking experts to ensure clarity and nuance.

In accordance with divine command, the project draws directly on the teachings of the Infallible Household of the Prophet (Ahl al-Bayt) to clarify noble verses that have often been misinterpreted or presented incompletely in previous works.

Guided by a structured system of continuous consultation and uncompromising quality control, six parts (*juz'*) of the Holy Qur'an have already been completed, and work continues with steadfast determination as we pray to Allah Almighty for success in bringing this blessed project to full completion.

SHIA ISLAMIC ENCYCLOPEDIA PROJECT

HEADQUARTERS		NATIONAL		
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The Shia Islamic Encyclopedia by the late researcher Sayyid Hasan al-Amin (d. 2002) is widely recognized as one of the most comprehensive and authoritative references on followers of the Ahl al-Bayt (pbut). This monumental work details the lives, contributions, and heritage of Shia Muslims throughout history. It covers scholars, poets, leaders, innovators, and notable families and tribes, as well as their geographical presence, cultural impact, challenges, and achievements in the sciences, arts, and intellectual traditions. The project team has successfully digitized all available manuscript copies and is working to upload them to a dedicated website. Future plans include translating the encyclopedia into additional languages to increase its global accessibility and usefulness.



PROPHET & AHL AL-BAYT'S BIOGRAPHIES

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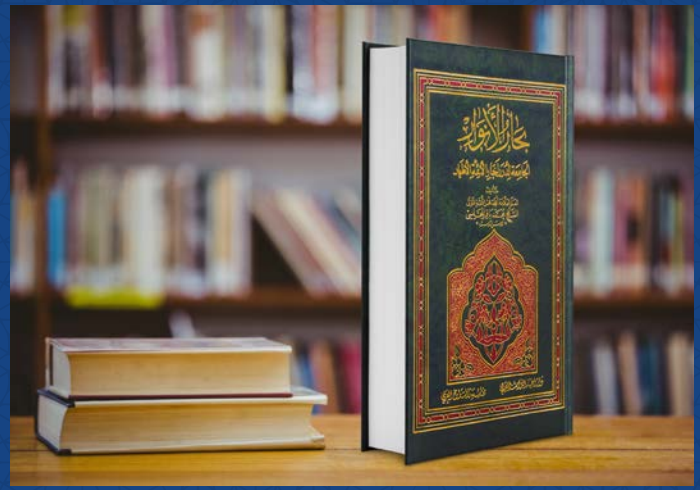
This initiative examines the lives of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh&hp) and his holy household (pbut) in a comprehensive way. The project focuses on the well-known work *Bihar al-anwar* by the late scholar Allama al-Majlisi (d. 1699), which includes rare and detailed accounts of the lives of the infallibles (pbut). A dedicated team is currently translating, proofreading, and editing this monumental text to make it accessible to a broader audience. Once finished, the publication will stand as a distinguished contribution—characterized by accurate translation, faithful representation of the original meaning, and polished language.



SEMINARY LIAISON & SCHOLAR OUTREACH

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As part of its role as a hawza liaison, I.M.A.M. receives numerous requests throughout the year from Islamic centers, mosques, and community organizations across the United States and Canada. These organizations seek assistance in securing qualified religious scholars and speakers, whether for ongoing service as a local imam responsible for the community's religious and social affairs or for leading religious observances during occasions such as Muharram, Ramadan, and other significant seasons.

I.M.A.M. helps connect these communities with qualified scholars and speakers in English and other languages, including Arabic, Persian, Urdu, and Spanish, according to their needs and circumstances.

UN-NGO ENGAGEMENT

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As a non-governmental organization (NGO) in Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), I.M.A.M. actively takes part in a variety of conferences, seminars, and cultural, intellectual, humanitarian, and charitable initiatives organized by the UN and its affiliates. Through these activities, I.M.A.M. raises awareness of its mission and provides Islamic and humanitarian perspectives on global issues, including the publication of academic articles related to UN-designated observances such as the International Day of Peace, International Women's Day, World Children's Day, World Humanitarian Day, and International Day of Charity. The organization also plays a vital role in interfaith and intercultural dialogue and partners with humanitarian aid groups to help victims of war, conflict, and terrorism. In line with global development efforts, I.M.A.M. has adopted and promoted the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) from an Islamic perspective in a dedicated publication, available in both print and digital formats on its website. For further details, visit imam.ngo.

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I.M.A.M. SPANISH

HEADQUARTERS		NATIONAL		
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To meet the increasing demand from Spanish-speaking individuals exploring Islam and the teachings of the School of the Ahl al-Bayt (pbut), I.M.A.M. proudly launched its dedicated Spanish Department. Led by qualified scholars, the department empowers a global audience through translated literature, engaging online courses, and direct community outreach. From publishing books and articles to participating in international book fairs and intellectual forums, I.M.A.M. is committed to sharing authentic knowledge and responding to inquiries via email and phone. For more information about I.M.A.M. Spanish, visit sp.imam-us.org.



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FINANCIAL & HUMANITARIAN SERVICES

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I.M.A.M. faithfully manages and allocates religious dues and donations to programs and initiatives that uplift individuals and support essential community institutions, including:

01 Financial Assistance

I.M.A.M. offers essential financial assistance to individuals and families across the country who are facing urgent hardships, such as medical bills, housing expenses, utilities, and emergency living costs. Provided under established guidelines, this assistance fulfills the Islamic duty of caring for those in need with kindness and compassion.





02 My Orphans

I.M.A.M. steps in to support orphans whose basic needs remain unmet by standard local, national, and international aid programs. Through trusted, U.S.-based partner organizations, orphan sponsorship funds are distributed worldwide with full transparency and in strict compliance with legal standards. Caring for orphans is a sacred duty—one that fulfills a vital community obligation while offering profound spiritual rewards.

03 Institutional Financial Support

I.M.A.M. empowers communities across North America to establish vibrant Islamic schools and centers. By facilitating approval to use religious dues (such as khums), providing financial grants when available, and connecting groups with non-profit setup experts, I.M.A.M. offers the essential support needed to preserve religious identity and build enduring community infrastructure.



I.M.A.M. IN GREATER ATLANTA

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In the heart of the Atlanta metropolitan area, I.M.A.M. is building a vibrant center of faith, learning, and community life. Our work begins with the next generation: we oversee the Islamic curriculum at City of Knowledge Islamic School and offer dedicated educational classes that help young Muslims grow in knowledge and confidence.

Each week, the community gathers at al-Rasoul Masjid & Center for Friday prayer, along with lectures delivered in both Arabic and English to accommodate attendees from different linguistic backgrounds. Our Islamic library is open to all, inviting visitors to read, borrow, and explore a rich collection of Islamic resources.

On the most joyous days of the year, I.M.A.M. brings the community together by organizing united Eid prayers open to Shia Muslims across Greater Atlanta, a powerful expression of unity and shared faith.

Beyond worship and education, we are here for individuals and families when they need guidance most. Our team answers questions on Islamic law by phone or in person and provides compassionate support through marriage services, family counseling, and divorce services.




I.M.A.M.

MICHIGAN, HEADQUARTERS ACTIVITIES

Please Note:
Although the following services are currently limited to community members in the local Dearborn area, we warmly invite anyone from other states in the U.S. or provinces in Canada who may be visiting the Detroit area to stop by I.M.A.M.'s headquarters. Take a tour, meet our staff, learn more about our work, and don't forget to enjoy some souvenirs along with traditional Arabic refreshments and sweets!

DAILY PRAYERS

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The al-Qaem Prayer Hall (*musalla*) is open every day throughout the year for daily prayers, both individual and congregational, welcoming all members of the community.

WALK-IN SERVICES

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The I.M.A.M. headquarters welcomes visitors during regular weekday hours and accommodates weekend appointments upon request. Guests come from diverse backgrounds, mainly from the greater Detroit area, as well as from different states and even across the border from Canada, due to Detroit's strategic location as a transit hub. Whether passing through or intentionally visiting, individuals and families often stop by to take advantage of the spiritual, intellectual, and cultural services offered. The headquarters acts as a key point of connection with the Religious Authority's office in North America, providing visitors with an opportunity to engage, ask questions, and deepen their understanding of Islamic guidance and community service.



QUR'ANIC CLASSES

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I.M.A.M. provides Qur'anic classes in recitation, tajwid, and memorization for all age groups, with special emphasis on children and adolescents—both boys and girls.



Tajwid Classes – Ladies

These classes help adult women learn tajwid rules so they can recite the Holy Qur'an with correct pronunciation in proper Arabic. Each semester lasts several weeks.

Tajwid Classes – Children

Children learn how to recite the Holy Qur'an properly by applying the rules of tajwid, which helps them pronounce the Qur'an in correct Arabic. Each semester lasts several weeks and is open to children of various ages.

DUA KUMAYL

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Join us every Thursday evening at the al-Qaem Prayer Hall for the inspiring recitation of Dua Kumayl, the beautiful prayer taught by Imam Ali (p) to his companion Kumayl ibn Ziyad. Experience it in a peaceful, spiritual setting with a melodious recitation that touches the heart.



TUESDAY SEMINARS & FORUMS



TUESDAY **FORUM**

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The Tuesday Forum is a weekly gathering for adults interested in exploring the connections between faith, culture, and modern life through education and social activities. Designed for community members who cherish their heritage, this forum offers a lively space to discuss current civic and religious issues from a contemporary spiritual perspective. Sessions are held in different languages to accommodate a diverse audience: Arabic on the first and third Tuesdays, and English on the second and fourth Tuesdays. While many community activities focus on young professionals, this forum emphasizes discussion, learning, and connection among adults—featuring engaging presentations and discussions to help attendees navigate today's world with clarity and confidence.

I.Q.R.A. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

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I.Q.R.A. is an Islamic educational program for children ages 5–13 that runs for 30 weeks each academic year, with sessions held twice a week after school. Children learn Arabic, Qur'an, and basic Islamic teachings and values.



LUMINARIES YOUTH INITIATIVE

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This initiative goes beyond a typical youth activity; inspired by I.M.A.M.'s mission and goals, it aims to create a unique, exemplary youth group that serves as a role model. The main goal is to showcase a Western Muslim model that blends a strong religious identity with pride in being Western. The initiative benefits from I.M.A.M.'s support and guidance while giving the youth full responsibility for leadership and management, empowering them to creatively achieve these goals through various activities and events.



ISLAMIC COMMEMORATIONS

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The I.M.A.M. headquarters organizes programs for most major Islamic occasions throughout the year. For example:

01 Ashura Event – Adult Program

An annual mourning program held over the first ten nights of Muharram to commemorate the martyrdom of Imam Hussain (p). This program is open to everyone.



02 Ashura Event – Adult Women's Program

An annual mourning program held over the first ten nights of Muharram to commemorate the martyrdom of Imam Hussain (p). This program is open to ladies only.





03 Ashura Event – Adolescent Girls' Program

An annual mourning program held exclusively for female adolescents over the first ten nights of Muharram, commemorating the martyrdom of Imam Hussain (p).

04 Ashura Event – Children's Program

The annual "Heroes of Karbala" program is held during the first ten days of Muharram for children ages 5–10. Designed to be both educational and engaging, it uses creative activities such as crafts, painting, and calligraphy to introduce children to the story of Imam Hussain (p) and the tragedy of Karbala. Through these hands-on projects, children begin to understand the values of sacrifice, justice, and courage. Limited to 80–100 participants, this program provides a nurturing environment to instill love for Imam Hussain (p) and connect young hearts with his timeless message in a way that is meaningful and age-appropriate.



05 Ramadan Event

Ramadan is the sacred month in which the Holy Qur'an was revealed. During this blessed time, Muslims fast and gather in places of worship to seek spirituality, knowledge, and community. Throughout the month, I.M.A.M. offers daily Qur'an recitation, Qur'an competitions, and special programs to revive the Nights of Decree (Laylat al-Qadr). Public gatherings are held in both the al-Qaem Prayer Hall and the Elite Hall.





06 Fatimiyya Event

A three-night public program open to all, commemorating the martyrdom of Lady Fatima al-Zahra (p), the beloved daughter of the Prophet (pbuh&hp).

SUMMER PROGRAM

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This annual camp is designed for children ages 7–12 and runs for two weeks during the summer break. Children learn valuable skills, participate in engaging activities, and grow spiritually through faith-based lessons and practices.



AFFILIATED PROJECTS

SHAYKH AL-MUFID ISLAMIC SEMINARY

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Shaykh al-Mufid Islamic Seminary is dedicated to providing a comprehensive and rigorous education in Islamic and Shia studies, fostering both the intellectual and spiritual development of its students. Its goal is to cultivate the next generation of Muslim leaders, scholars, and professionals who will serve their communities and deepen understanding of Islamic thought and culture. Through a variety of academic programs, the seminary offers accessible, high-quality education that combines traditional Islamic scholarship with modern academic methods. For further details, visit mufidseminary.org.



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PSYCHED4U INITIATIVE

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PSYCHED4U is a faith-based mental health and education initiative committed to supporting the psychological, emotional, and developmental well-being of Muslims in North America. The project addresses the unique challenges Muslims encounter while navigating life in a secular society, especially as they aim to maintain a strong Islamic identity, fulfill religious obligations, and pursue personal, academic, and professional goals. With a special focus on youth and young adults, PSYCHED4U blends Islamic principles with professional mental health expertise to offer trusted resources, guidance, and practical solutions. Its mission is to promote resilience, clarity, and well-being by addressing mental health needs through an authentic Islamic framework that supports healthy daily functioning and long-term personal growth. For further details, visit psyched4u.org.

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THE COUNCIL OF SHIA MUSLIM SCHOLARS OF NORTH AMERICA

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The Council of Shia Muslim Scholars of North America is an independent religious organization made up of Twelver Shia scholars, preachers, speakers, and imams serving mosques and religious centers throughout North America.

I.M.A.M. provides operational and financial support. The Council's goal is to serve and represent the Shia Muslim community in matters related to faith and to protect its legitimate interests.

The Council's vision is to promote cooperation and unity that contribute to a brighter future, with greater civic engagement and a more recognized presence for Muslims in North American society. Its mission is to increase the visibility and impact of Shia Muslims, guided by the teachings of the Holy Qur'an and the example of the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh&hp) and the infallible Imams of his Household (pbut), as interpreted by the Supreme Religious Authority. For further details, visit imams.us.

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AZWAJA PROJECT AZWAJA

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The Azwaja Project is a matchmaking platform designed to help single Shia Muslims in the United States and Canada find compatible life partners while upholding trust, respect, and virtue. The system guides applicants through an enrollment process, gathers detailed personal profiles, and uses advanced AI matching based on more than 40 variables to recommend suitable partners. Before matching begins, Azwaja staff also verify candidates and review community references to ensure the accuracy and authenticity of applicant information. Created to serve diverse Muslim communities across North America, this project aims to offer a trusted, respectful, and culturally sensitive approach to Islamic marriage that aligns with faith-based values and helps singles build lifelong, meaningful relationships. For more information or to apply, please visit azwaja.org.

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ENLIGHTEN TOURS PROJECT

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I.M.A.M. helps organize educational and spiritual tours to Iraq for university students, working with trusted institutions to connect youth with the heritage of the Ahl al-Bayt (pbut) and the Najaf Seminary (hawza). By partnering with local organizations, I.M.A.M. provides participants with opportunities to explore historic sites, visit holy shrines, and engage directly with respected Islamic scholars. Due to high demand, spots are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis for all eligible applicants. For further details, visit enlightentours.com.



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OTHER ACTIVITIES

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In support of its Community Cohesion core function, I.M.A.M. collaborates with individuals and established organizations whose work aligns with its vision and mission. Throughout the year, I.M.A.M. headquarters hosts a variety of activities, projects, and programs carried out in partnership with others. Examples include, but are not limited to:

R.A.H.M.A.

The Research Institute for Advanced Healing, Mental Health, and Advocacy (R.A.H.M.A.) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit offering counseling and therapeutic services, suicide prevention and crisis referral, mental health workforce training, and youth empowerment. Our fact-checked, datadriven, culturally responsive, and faith-informed programs reach all persons across North America, including marginalized populations. R.A.H.M.A.'s strategic allies include I.M.A.M., Corewell Health, Triple P America, and the National Council for Mental Wellbeing.

Michigan State Police

I.M.A.M. partnered with the Michigan State Police to conduct three professional development sessions on safety awareness and preparedness. Led by a State Police trooper, the sessions offered practical guidance to help participants remain calm, think clearly, and respond effectively in unexpected situations.

Hope Social Foundation

I.M.A.M. provides religious counseling, education, and speakers for the Hope Social Foundation during Islamic ceremonies and other religious events.

Book and Wisdom Club

I.M.A.M. supports a vibrant local tutoring initiative that offers SAT preparation and academic support in math, science, and English, helping students build confidence and succeed academically.

Robotics 4 Teens

Robotics 4 Teens is a hands-on STEM program that introduces youth to engineering and robotics in an Islamic environment. Using LEGO Education kits, students build projects while learning values from the lives of the holy Imams (pbut), developing both practical skills and faith.

ESL Classes

Dearborn Adult Education provides free English as a Second Language (ESL) classes at I.M.A.M., helping learners develop essential reading, writing, and communication skills. Offered at beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels, the program supports adults in becoming confident communicators, engaged parents, productive workers, and active members of the community.

Islamic Art and Calligraphy Classes

In collaboration with the renowned artist Qalam, I.M.A.M. launched an Arabic calligraphy initiative that introduces participants to the beauty, meaning, and techniques of traditional Arabic calligraphy. Through workshops and courses, learners explore styles like Naskh and Kufic, which have been used in Qur'anic calligraphy, and express values and stories through art in a spiritually uplifting environment.

Hope Scouts

Hope Scouts, an affiliate of I.M.A.M., is a youth development program that combines faith-based values with character building, leadership training, and community service. Rooted in the teachings of the Ahl al-Bayt (pbut), the program nurtures spiritual growth through Qur'an recitation, Islamic ethics, and reflective practices. Scouts engage in educational, physical, and service-based activities that help strengthen their identity, resilience, and spirit of giving.

Taklif Ceremony

Reaching the age of maturity (bulugh) marks a young Muslim's transition to religious accountability. I.M.A.M. honors this milestone with coming-of-age ceremonies for boys and girls, held on auspicious occasions such as the birth anniversaries of the Holy Prophet (p), Imam Ali (p), Lady Fatima al-Zahra (p), and Lady Zaynab (p). These gatherings strengthen community, identity, and confidence.

Al-Kawthar

Al-Kawthar is a sisters-only initiative at IMAM that organizes meaningful events throughout the year to commemorate Islamic occasions, in collaboration with the sisters of the Hope Social Foundation. This partnership reflects the beautiful Islamic spirit of our ladies in living the values of Ahlulbayt (pbuth).

Elite Hall

A welcoming space available to Muslims for Majlis Fatiha, weddings, and religious occasions. Such Reservations are free, subject to availability, organizational approval, and compliance with established policies and rental agreements. Contact us for booking information.


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Your faith, generosity, and support make everything in these pages possible.

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With gratitude and prayers,

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