

THE POWER
TO END
SUFFERING
IS IN YOUR
HANDS.



Islamic Relief
Australia

Your belief in action



WHERE THERE IS SUFFERING, THERE IS A CHANCE FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE.

“I dream of living in a safe place away from the bombing of warplanes.”

Six-year-old Sumaya and her family have been searching for safety since war reached their home in Raqqa, Syria.

Fleeing the fighting, they moved from place to place until they reached Zinbq camp, north of Idlib. “I was playing in the camp yard with my friends when suddenly we heard the sound of a plane and ran away from it,” says Sumaya. Moments later she remembers “feeling like I was flying in the sky. I do not remember anything more except that I woke up in hospital.”

Sumaya spent several months in intensive care, slowly regaining the ability to walk.

“I hope to grow up and become a doctor at one of the physiotherapy centres so I can help the children injured in this war,” she says. With your support, Islamic Relief can deliver aid to girls like Sumaya.



Photo inset: After being injured by a bomb in the ongoing Syrian war, six-year-old Sumaya received treatment from a rehab centre supported by Islamic Relief.

Photo right: Siti showing her daughter how to grow mushrooms.

Photo far right: Sixteen-month-old Sumaia from Yemen recovered from acute malnutrition after receiving essential nutritional support through Islamic Relief.



“Now we can work and take care of our children.”

Siti used to have to leave home and find dangerous work breaking rocks for sand in quarries far away from her children. She put her own health at risk and spent long hours away to support her family. Now, Siti earns a dignified and sustainable income by cultivating and selling mushrooms in her community thanks to support she has received from Islamic Relief.

“We are happy that we were introduced to mushroom production. With the new skills we have we can take care of our children while earning for the family,” says Siti.

“You saved my daughter’s life and many others.”

Due to the ongoing conflict in Yemen, millions are going hungry. Among those struggling is Ahmad and his 16-month-old daughter Sumaia. “Sometimes, I cannot provide even one meal a day,” he says. “It has been very difficult for me to watch my children suffer due to lack of food.” Sumaia was underweight and suffering with acute malnutrition until Islamic Relief intervened.

Sumaia was admitted to a health clinic supported by Islamic Relief, where she received urgent treatment. Since beginning treatment, Sumaia’s health has improved significantly and her weight has stabilised.

“I am very thankful to Islamic Relief and their donors for providing such free services. You saved my daughter’s life and many others. Thank you so much,” says Ahmad.

YOUR COMPASSION CAN SAVE LIVES.

Our shared faith and values tell us that every person has a God-given purpose.

Where poverty and injustice hold people back from that purpose, you can help them break free from suffering and fulfil their potential.

Generous support from our donors and volunteers has made us one of the leading independent humanitarian and development organisations in the world.

“Whoever saved a life, it would be as if they saved the life of all mankind.”

(Qur'an 5:32)

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Together, we can make a lasting change.

Islamic Relief's humanitarian work is about much more than responding to emergencies when they occur. We work throughout the year to build the resilience of communities in disaster-prone areas so that they are less vulnerable when disaster strikes.

For us, the ultimate goal is building stronger, healthier communities that are able to thrive on their own, without the need for ongoing external assistance.

Together, we've already supported millions of people with life-saving aid and life-changing solutions that tackle the root causes of poverty. As a global organisation, we have helped more than 120 million people since receiving our first donation in 1984.





THESE ARE CHALLENGING TIMES.

Today, we live in a world confronted with unprecedented challenges. Many countries are facing growing political, economic and social unrest. People are being killed, injured and forced to flee their homes because of brutal conflicts and oppression.

Climate change means that more and more people are being displaced and vulnerable communities are being pushed deeper into poverty. Many families face hunger or are at the brink of starvation due to conflict, poverty or extreme weather events.

The brutalities of war and conflict shatter lives – a growing number of people will lose their homes, their freedoms, and more tragically, their lives unless holistic solutions and immediate support is available.

But with you, there is hope.

>132M

people require vital humanitarian assistance and protection globally

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821M

people are undernourished, including 113 million who suffer from acute hunger

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767M

people live below the poverty line of less than US\$1.90 a day

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In 2020

the global humanitarian funding requirement was a record \$28.8 billion

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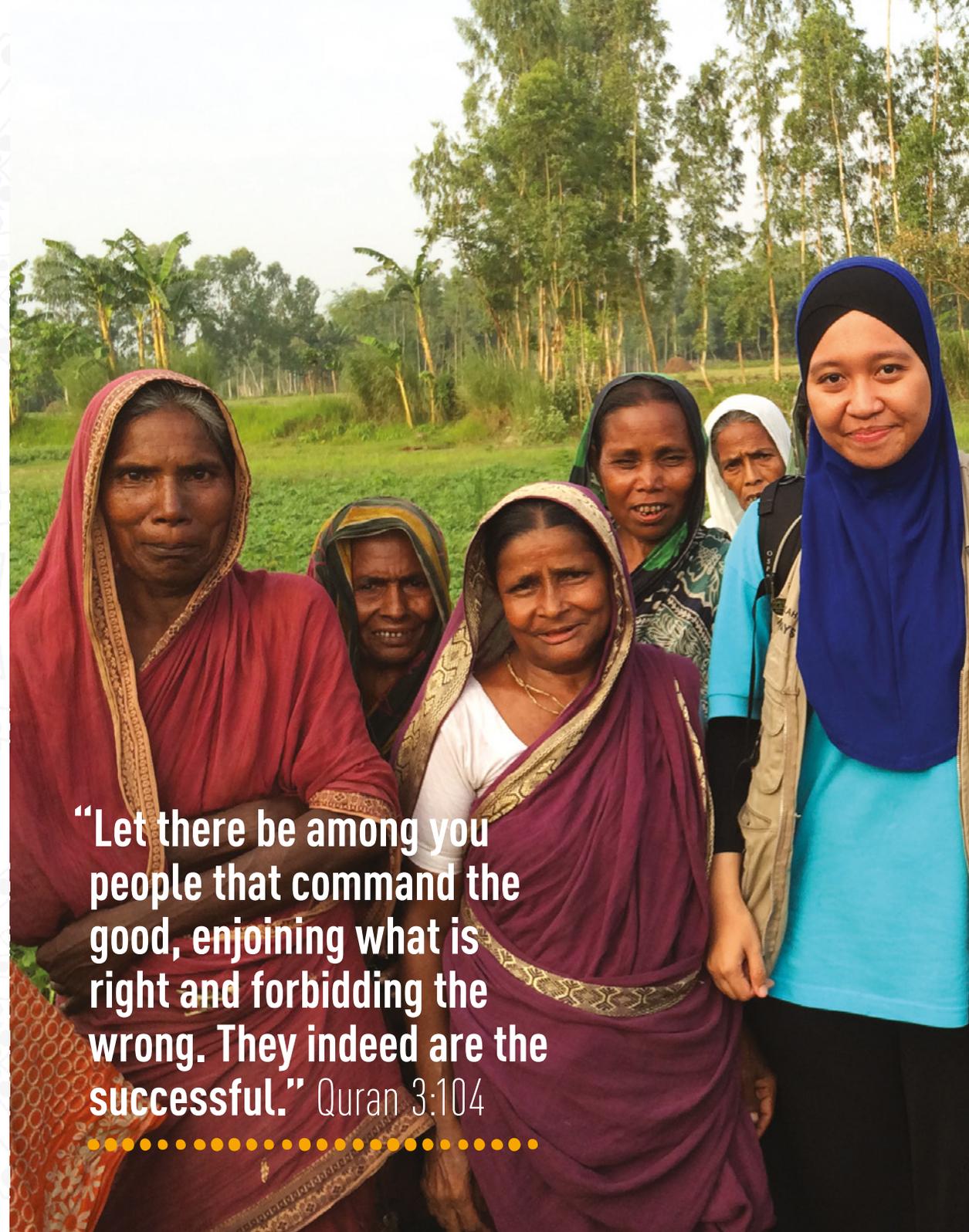
YOUR BELIEF IN ACTION.

Like you, we envision a better and fairer world for vulnerable people.

At Islamic Relief, our approach to making this happen is based on decades of experience delivering life-saving aid in times of crisis and life-changing development projects, which tackle the root causes of poverty.

Inspired by our Islamic faith and guided by our values, we envisage a world where communities are empowered, social obligations are fulfilled, and people respond as one to the suffering of others. We believe that those in need have rights over people with wealth and power, regardless of race, political affiliation, gender or belief.

We ensure that the communities we work with are included and empowered in every aspect of our programming.



“Let there be among you people that command the good, enjoining what is right and forbidding the wrong. They indeed are the successful.” Quran 3:104





BUILDING STRONG COMMUNITIES LOCALLY.

Australia boasts one of the most culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) populations in the world, with over 33 percent of the Australian population born overseas and 46 percent having at least one parent born outside of Australia.

Our work also supports these vulnerable communities closer to home.

ADDRESSING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN CALD COMMUNITIES.

In 2018, we supported a project aimed at addressing domestic and family violence (DFV) among Muslim families in the Cumberland local government area.

The project was highly effective in reaching a diverse range of audiences through community consultations, sermons at mosques, workshops, billboards and multilingual leaflet distribution.

855

people attended community gatherings

70

people attended a talk by a prominent psychologist

420

people attended one-day capacity-building workshops

1700

men were reached through talks at mosques

WHY PARTNER WITH ISLAMIC RELIEF?

1 FOUNDED ON FAITH

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2 GLOBAL NETWORK & EXTENSIVE REACH

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3 OVER 36 YEARS OF EXPERTISE

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4 HIGH-QUALITY PROGRAMS

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5 GLOBAL CERTIFICATIONS

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OUR HIGH-QUALITY PROGRAMS ARE:

Inclusive

All projects are community owned and led, placing the household at the centre.

Integrated

We consider each family's individual circumstances and design projects to meet these varying needs.

Sustainable

We work on long-term projects which leave positive changes the community can build on, sustaining the benefits and impact of our work.





Our global reach means we're close to communities.

Thanks to supporters like you, we have a presence in more than 40 countries. We are uniquely positioned to address humanitarian crises because we are able to reach some of the most vulnerable and isolated communities – those who usually don't have access to assistance.

Our Islamic identity and humanitarian mission enables us to gain the trust of community gatekeepers in complex environments. In countries like Syria and Yemen, where humanitarian access remains severely constrained, we are able to gain access to deliver life-changing protection and assistance to communities that need it most.

At the heart of Islamic Relief's mission is to see positive change in the world, and that change is driven by people like you who support our work. Together, we will continue to end suffering, and create a more just world for all people.

WE'RE COMMITTED TO TRANSPARENCY & ACCOUNTABILITY.

We know that not only
are we accountable
to you our donors, our
governing bodies and
all our partners, but
also to Allah (SWT).



**YOUR DONATIONS
ARE IN SAFE HANDS**



Our work is accountable, certified and credible – both locally and globally. As a leading international humanitarian organisation, and in line with our Islamic values, we're committed to upholding the highest standards of neutrality, impartiality and independence in delivering aid and development projects.

In recognition of this commitment, in 2017 Islamic Relief Worldwide became the first Muslim organisation, and only the tenth organisation globally, to attain Core Humanitarian Standards (CHS) certification. Locally, Islamic Relief Australia is an active member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) and a signatory to their Code of Conduct, which sets the highest standards of development practice. We are an active member of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission (ACNC) and fully compliant with its standards. We are committed to the Fundraising Institute of Australia's Principles and Standards of Fundraising Practice.

We know that when you give, you expect that your gift will be used prudently. We recognise our responsibility to every dollar entrusted to us, and adhere to a spiritual and moral obligation to accountability. We're dedicated to providing regular and transparent reporting on our activities, operations and performance, so our donors know exactly how their contributions are being used.

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