# THE ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA

Dear ISNA Family,

Assalamualaikum,

I want to express my deepest gratitude to you for your generosity and support. ISNA's wide range of programs and services this year would not have been possible without you.

Looking back, 2022 was one of the most successful and exciting years in ISNA's history. We saw the return of our celebrated in-person events, such as the 59th Annual Convention, which gathered thousands of attendees in Chicago over Labor Day weekend and garnered extensive media coverage. We held our 23rd Education Forum and the 10th West Coast Education Forum, both of which hosted more than a thousand attendees and educators from across the country and abroad.

Our interfaith, advocacy, and civic engagement efforts were also extensive, as we were involved in initiatives and projects on both national and international issues. We addressed media outlets, sent letters to Congressional leaders and the White House, and joined our interfaith partners to raise awareness about ongoing challenges, such as poverty, racism, climate change, and war.

For the 8th straight year, ISNA held its Green Ramadan campaign, which helped raise awareness of environmental-friendly practices for Islamic centers and homes. We also released six issues of our award-winning magazine, Islamic Horizons, touching on topics of concern to American Muslims. And with our commitment to the next

generation of Muslim Americans, we awarded scholarships to college students, hosted several youth programs, including camps for Muslim youth, provided training for Muslim chaplains, and held a major matrimonial banquet at our 59th convention. In addition, ISNA had several other events and programs for our community.

On behalf of ISNA, I am so grateful for all the support each and every one of you gave us this year. Everything we achieved was made possible by the grace of Allah and your generous support.

Jazakum Allahu Khayr

Basharat Saleem Executive Director

## **OUR VISION**

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

### **OUR MISSION**

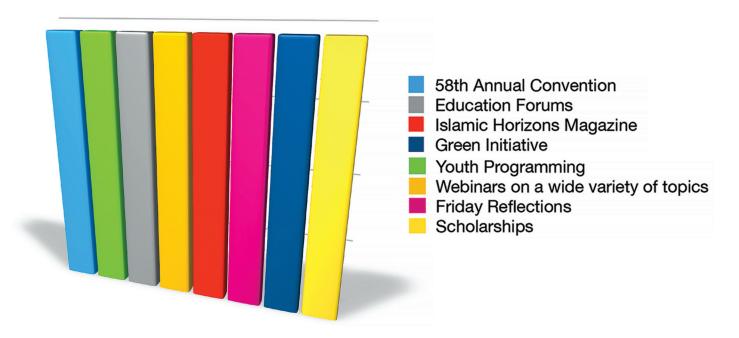
To foster the development of the Muslim community, interfaith relations, civic engagement, and better understanding of Islam.

### STRATEGIC GOALS

- Achieve organizational excellence through operational efficiency, transparency, accountability, high-performance, effective communication, and financial stability.
- Strengthen and develop American Muslim communities.
- Enhance interfaith collaboration and civic engagement.
- Provide high quality programming and services for the Muslim community.



## 2022 Snapshot



# ISNA - Serving the Muslim Community for 59 Years

# 59th Annual ISNA Convention with over 150 speakers

"Resilience, Hope, & Faith: With Hardship, Comes Ease"

Our 59th annual convention was held in Rosemont, Illinois, on Labor Day weekend. This year's convention featured over 150 speakers, over 50 sessions, a bazaar with over 500 booths, and several special events with guest appearances from government officials, faith leaders, and community activists. The convention received coverage from several media outlets, including ABC, and CBS, as well as international channels. The 2021 ISNA President's





Award was given to Br. Abdul Wahab for his decades of service to ISNA and the Muslim community, while the 2022 Community Service Award was given to professor and author Dr. Seyyed Hossein Nasr.

"I liked how open and inviting the convention was. It was a really amazing experience"

— Convention Attendee



"MashaAllah, our first time, and everybody enjoyed it, from the amazing speakers, to be surrounded by Muslims of all nationalities, it was breathtaking" — Convention Attendee

#### Education Forums



ISNA held its 10<sup>th</sup> West Coast Education Forum (virtually) in January with over 600 attendees. Our 23rd Education Forum was held in-person in Chicago, Illinois, with hundreds of educators, including attendees from overseas.

#### ■ Friday Reflections & Webinars

Our virtual programming included Friday talks and webinars on a multitude of topics, including Islamic spirituality, Ramadan, environmental ethics, and personal development.

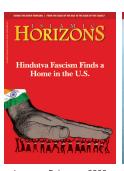
#### Youth Programming

Through the Muslim Youth of North America (MYNA), ISNA sponsored several youth programs over the year, including MYNA camps, educational events, classes, and recreational activities. Hundreds of youth benefited from these events and programs.



#### Islamic Horizons Magazine

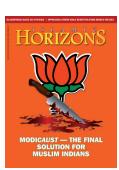
We launched a brand new website for our bi-monthly, award-winning magazine, delivered six issues throughout the year, and ensured that our coverage addressed the issues and challenges facing the Muslim community.



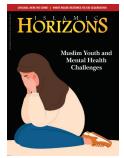
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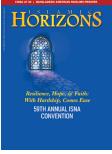
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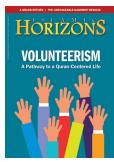


May-June 2022



July-August 2022





September-October 2022 November-December 2022

#### Interfaith and Civic Engagement

Co-authored joint statements and sent letters to Congress, the White House, and government officials. We advocated for climate justice, human rights, indigenous rights, refugee rights, nuclear arms control, and peace in global affairs



Students from Taylor University at ISNA HQ.

- Participated in numerous events and demonstrations to support voting rights, immigrant rights, gun control, economic justice, and environmental awareness
- Joined Committee of Religious NGOs at the United Nations to advance interfaith engagement and global peace initiatives
- Partnered with faith communities to promote action against climate change
- Established formal partnership with the Poor People's Campaign to advance racial, economic, and environmental justice
- Co-sponsored several events and webinars with interfaith partners participated in joint vigils for peace and solidarity

#### Chaplaincy Services



ISNA continued to support Muslim chaplains across the US who are serving in hospitals, universities, and the Armed Forces. ISNA endorses chaplains, sets leadership standards, and provides training and education. We held a chaplaincy training retreat at the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual ISNA Convention.

#### ISNA Green Initiative

ISNA's Green Initiative creates awareness about climate change and provides guidance to mosques and Islamic

centers on environmentally friendly practices. We partnered with the Environmental Protection Agency, participated in a number of events to raise awareness about climate



change and sustainable living, and observed our eighth annual "Green Ramadan" campaign to promote and boost eco-consciousness during the holy month.

#### Scholarships

ISNA awards several need-based scholarships to students who demonstrate high academic achievement and excellence in their communities.

- Dr. Abdulmunim A. Shakir Scholarship
- The Hajja Razia Sharif Sheikh Scholarship
- Amana Mutual Funds Scholarship
- Plainfield Muslim Women for Better Society Scholarship

#### Matrimonial Services



Matrimonial events are one of our most celebrated and sought-after services. Over the years, ISNA matrimonial events have helped countless Muslims and Muslimahs across the country meet and find their better halves. At this year's ISNA convention, we held

a major matrimonial banquet with Muslims from across the country.

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