



ICNA Relief Canada
No Borders - No Boundaries

2018 **Annual** **Report**

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Since 1997*

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THIS RAMADAN**

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- A School

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- Yemen Relief
- Rohingya Relief
- Palestine Relief
- ICNA Relief Canada's Projects

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SERVING HUMANITY

OUR STORY

ICNA Relief Canada is part of a global humanitarian relief and development organization responding to human suffering in emergency and disaster situations around the world. In addition to our emergency relief efforts, resulting from natural or human-caused catastrophes, we also maintain long term aid and development programs.

OUR VISION

ICNA Relief Canada is committed to providing leadership in the empowerment of lives, the creation of meaningful opportunities, and strengthening the bonds that link all of humanity.

OUR MISSION

ICNA Relief Canada is committed to human service through the effective integration of resources to help people in need. We strive to provide immediate response in times of disaster and to implement programs that alleviate human suffering.



Assalam o Alaikum (Peace be with you),

Our vision is 'Serving Humanity' in our capacity.

To attain our vision, ICNA Relief Canada is dedicated to deliver emergency relief as well building developmental projects domestically and internationally. We were able to successfully respond to the disasters in Syria, Rohingya, Yemen and Indonesia during 2018.

We work through our international partners who are capable of delivering effectively the relief work to reach out to millions of underprivileged people around the world, without any discrimination. This partnership model made us operate ICNA Relief Canada with just under 5% management expense in 2018. Our slogan "No Borders, No Boundaries" is reflective of our mission. Our commitment is to bring positive change in everyone's life wherever we can.

In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada has impacted the lives of people in many ways. Our three Mother and Child Health Centres built in Pakistan are fully functional now to serve the underdeveloped communities. Over 1000 patients are being treated every day. We have built three schools for 1300 students in Azad Kashmir since 2017 to support the educational development projects in the poor communities. In addition, we have built unmatched state of the art orphanages. Our support to around 4500 orphans in 11 countries has been a significant contribution by ICNA Relief Canada and its donors.

Our Water for Life projects built in countries like Somalia, Pakistan, Kashmir and India have given millions of people access to clean drinking water in their communities. Our seasonal projects of Zabiha and Zakat-ul-Fitr have served over a million people and brought happiness to their faces on the eve of Eid-ul-Fitr and Eid-ul-Adha.

All our sustainable projects like hospitals, orphanages, schools and water for life will be serving these communities for many years to come and are a great means of Sadaqa-i-Jaria for our dedicated donors whose support and contributions allowed us to make a difference in many lives.

Our domestic programs have been focused to grow as our community needs grow. We have a number of such initiatives that have been serving the local Canadians. Our food banks have been a significant contributor towards our efforts of serving the community. We also ran a few youth-focused initiatives to develop leadership in our youth in 2018.

All our projects are being monitored and audited by a team of dedicated members/directors to ensure the good governance at ICNA Relief Canada. The processes, procedures and policies are in place and are continuously reviewed to guarantee that the guidelines are being met correctly. ICNA Relief Canada is a community trust and we believe in answerability and transparency while disbursing the donated funds in the prescribed manner.

We have planned to build a few more schools and water for life projects in 2019. We are also looking to extend our support to more orphans to improve their education and living.

We have always been looking forward to your continued support to sustain our relief projects. Please keep up the good work by contributing to our great causes to serve humanity.

Mazher Latif



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Assalam o Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh (Peace and the Mercy of God be with you),

We at ICNA Relief Canada are grateful to our valued donors, sincere supporters and devoted volunteers who have again made 2018 a truly amazing and exciting year. Alhamdulillah, together, we were able to accomplish many great projects locally and internationally. Your contributions to our causes have impacted many lives who really benefited out of our initiatives. During the last six years, the scope of our work has grown many fold and we are grateful to Allah and thankful to our wonderful donors who made us proud of delivering diverse charitable projects worldwide.

ICNA Relief Canada has been able to help over five million destitute people across the globe by providing relief in Emergency & Disaster, Education, Orphan Sponsorship, Global Zabiha, Microfinancing, Women Support, Healthcare, Water for Life, and more.

In 2018, we spent over \$3 million for Rohingya Relief. Besides emergency and disaster relief, we also focused on continuing our support to four Children Care Homes, three Medical Camps and two Mobile Dental Clinics at the Rohingya camps in Bangladesh. This was in addition to the construction of 1000 permanent shelters, 1000 water pumps, and 1000 sanitary latrines for the Rohingya refugee community.

Our partners have been on the ground for providing Syria Relief and Yemen Relief successfully. A remarkable project of ICNA Relief Canada in 2018 has been "Oasis of Urfa", an orphanage for Syrian girls living in Turkey. In 2019, we are going to invest another \$800,000 to build a 7-story building to home these orphan girls with the help of our local partners.

ICNA Relief Canada continued sponsoring around 4,500 orphans in 11 countries by investing over \$1.45 million to support their education and sustainable living. Our Global Zabiha and Zakat-ul-Fitr projects of over \$1 million have benefited over 1.2 million people in deprived communities.

Our water projects in drought-stricken Somalia, Pakistan, & India brought life in many communities. In 2018, we completed three community water projects in Somalia that will benefit around a quarter million population, 100 water projects in Pakistan and 70 water wells in India.

Locally, we were able to help our regular domestic programs such as Family Counselling, Domestic Zakat, Food Banks, Funeral Support, Foster Parenting, Matrimonial and Youth Leadership Development Program (YLDP) that helped over 60,000 Canadians. Specifically, our Food Banks served more than 53,000 Canadians with over \$1.6 million in food supplies during the year.

Our Settlement & Refugee Sponsorship (SRS) program has brought 65 Syrian families safely into Canada and helped them settled in 11 different cities since 2016. In addition, 11 Rohingya refugee families have been sponsored to come to Canada. A new initiative "Domestic Healthcare & Rehabilitation" has been launched to support our local hospitals and mentally & physically challenged individuals. All of this great work could not be successful without the help of our generous supporters of ICNA Relief Canada.

Our usual request is to motivate your family, friends, and colleagues about our relief work. Stay tuned by visiting our website, subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter, and follow us on our social media platforms in order to follow our services that we provide every day locally in your community and abroad. Together, we will continue growing to make a difference in many lives, Insha Allah.

A few glimpses of our humble efforts and your generous contributions for many successful projects have been reflected in this Annual Report 2018.

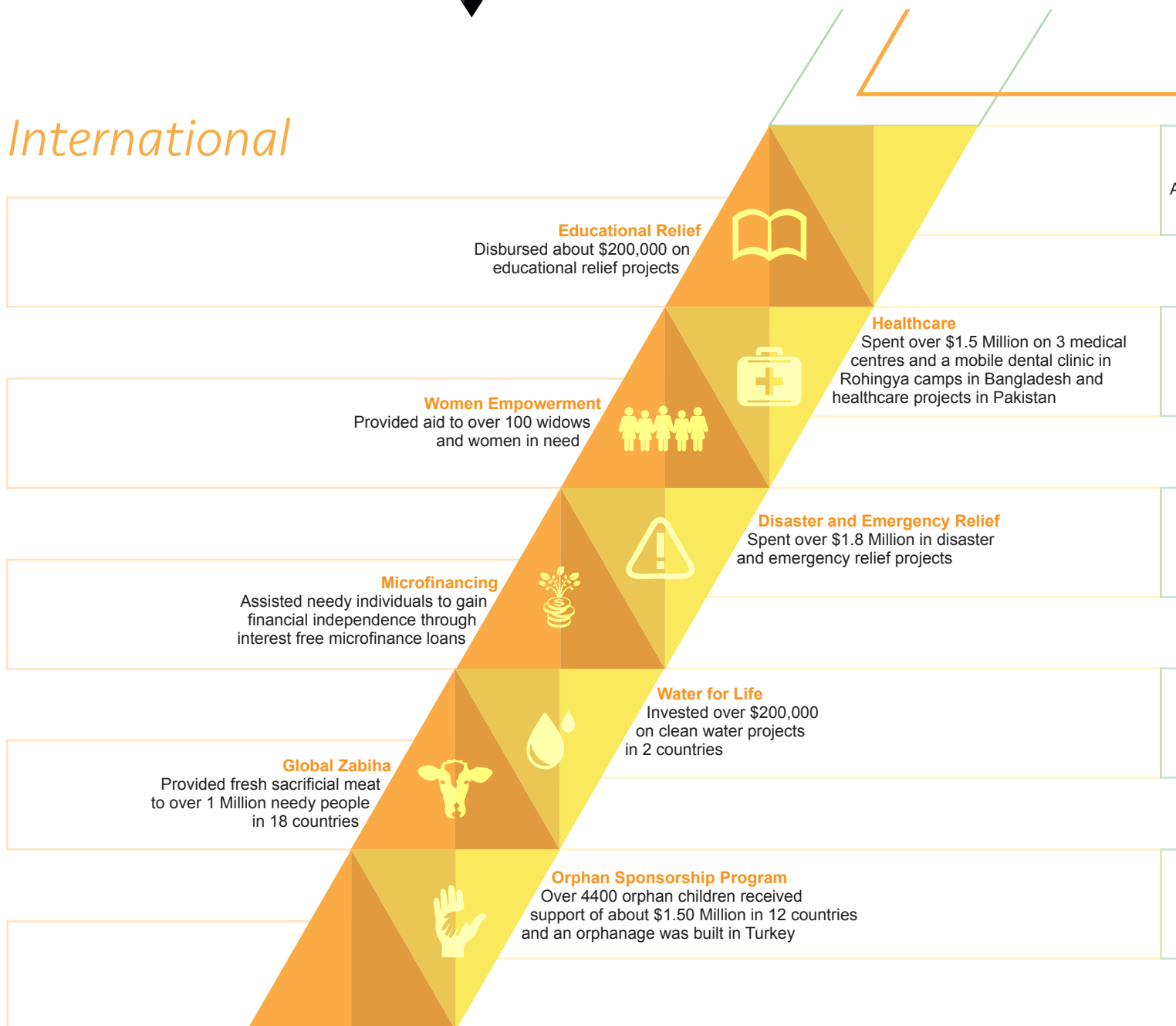
We believe, our donors and our supporters are the real owners of ICNA Relief Canada. It's your organization and we wish you to take it the way you want to see it. Your sincere dua'as are our assets. We look forward to your continuous generous support.

Shaukat Hussain



OUR INITIATIVES

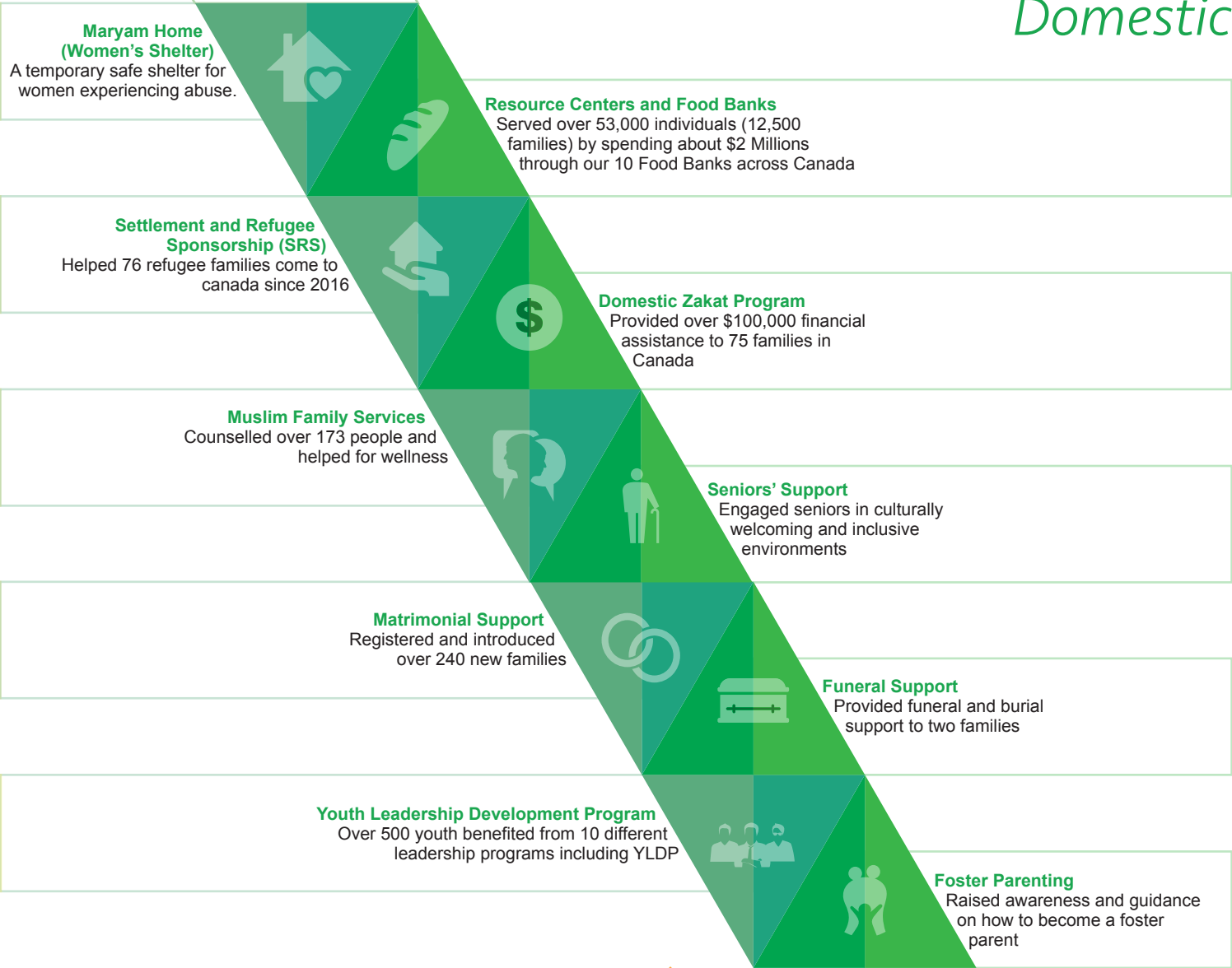
International





TIATIVES

Domestic



COUNTRY-WISE DISBURSEMENTS

> International programs \$6,427,289 total



DISASTER & EMERGENCY RELIEF total \$1,890,263

Rohingya Relief	\$1,421,572
Palestine Relief	\$130,470
Syria Relief	\$107,297
Yemen Relief Work	\$88,000
Pakistan Relief	\$47,330
Bangladesh Relief	\$32,000
India Relief	\$23,448
Guyana Relief	\$12,726
Indonesia Relief	\$20,000
Central African Republic	\$4,830
Sri Lanka Relief	\$1,541
Sierra Leone	\$1,049



EDUCATIONAL RELIEF total \$218,378

Pakistan	\$148,128
India	\$70,250



HEALTHCARE RELIEF total \$1,560,412

Rohingya Medical Camps & Mobile Dental Clinic	\$1,554,497
Pakistan	\$5,915



WATER FOR LIFE total \$ 211,821

India	\$134,393
Pakistan	\$77,428



ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP total \$1,454,519

Afghanistan	\$36,650
Bangladesh	\$69,001
Bosnia	\$15,600
India	\$239,100
Kashmir	\$308,100
Kenya	\$57,600
Lebanon	\$154,870
Pakistan	\$292,500
Rohingya	\$176,528
Sierra Leone	\$36,130
Sri Lanka	\$ 48,600
Syria	\$19,800



GLOBAL ZABIHA total \$770,920

India	\$183,225
Pakistan	\$138,795
Rohingya	\$ 83,050
Burma	\$ 58,135
Yemen	\$45,500
Somalia	\$45,000
Palestine (Gaza)	\$35,000
Bangladesh	\$ 33,000
Syria	\$30,560
Kashmir	\$25,800
Syria	\$22,180
Afghanistan	\$16,225
Kenya	\$16,050
Tanzania	\$12,800
Canada	\$10,065
Bangladesh	\$7,000
Indonesia	\$5,735
Bosnia	\$2,800

ZAKAT UL FITR total \$213,475

Syria	\$ 50,536
Rohingya	\$ 47,839
India	\$30,000
Pakistan	\$25,000
Canada	\$10,100
Somalia	\$10,000
Nepal	\$10,000
Bangladesh	\$7,500
Kenya	\$7,500
Sierra Leone	\$7,500
Sri Lanka	\$7,500

SADAQA/ AQEEQA PROJECT total \$59,637

Rohingya Camps (Bangladesh)	\$20,720
Pakistan	\$16,770
Kenya	\$10,010
India	\$5,920
Canada	\$4,657
Afghanistan	\$1,560

OASIS OF URFA - GIRLS ORPHANAGE total \$32,757

Syria	\$32,757
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LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM total \$15,108

Syria	\$15,108
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> Domestic programs

total \$ 2,542,381.00

FUNDS

total \$ 913,651

IN-KIND

total \$1,628,820

> Total Disbursements (International and Domestic)

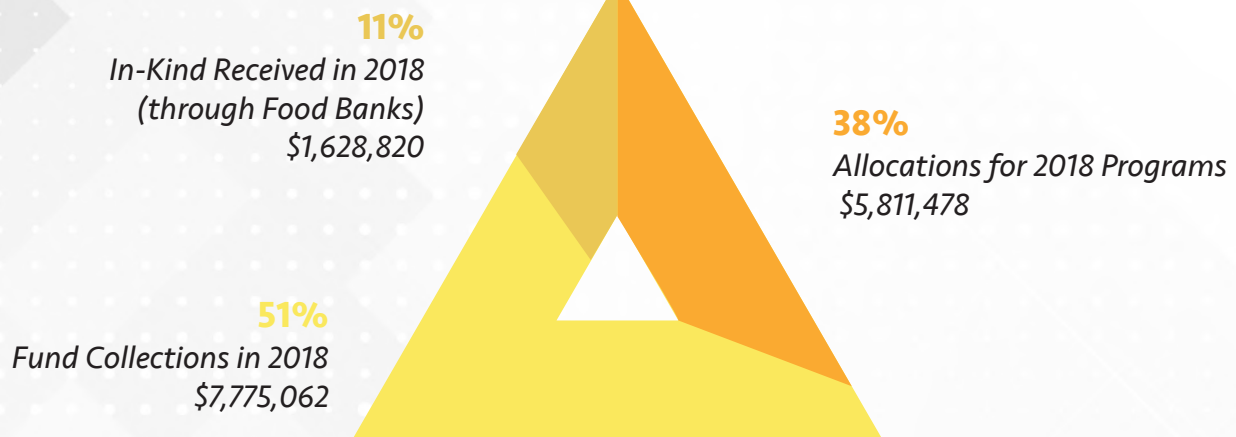
total \$8,976,679

*Financial Details are Subject to Audit.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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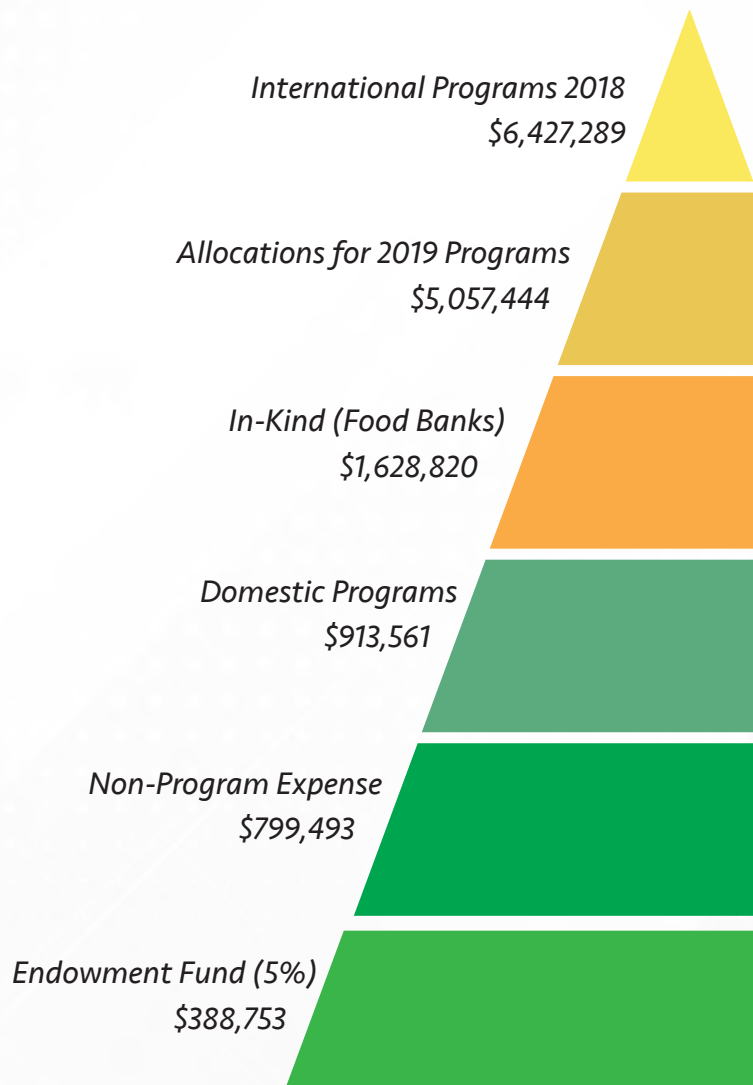
Total Revenue in 2018 \$15,215,360



Actual Collections in 2018 \$9,403,882



Disbursements \$15,215,360



Percentage of Non-program & Program Expenses:

Fundraising Expense	3.60%
Management Expense	4.90%
Programs	91.50%



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

HEALTHCARE

ICNA Relief Canada provides many healthcare facilities and services worldwide. We help build hospitals, sponsor hospital operations, help setup emergency medical clinics in disaster zones and more. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada invested \$1,554,497 in Rohingya camps in Bangladesh and over \$5,000 in Pakistan. ICNA Relief Canada runs 3 medical centres and a mobile dental clinic for Rohingya community in Bangladesh providing free, quality and compassionate emergency healthcare services.

Disbursements on Healthcare Projects in 2018:

Rohingya Medical Camps & Mobile Dental Clinic	\$1,554,497
Pakistan	\$211,213
Total	\$1,560,412

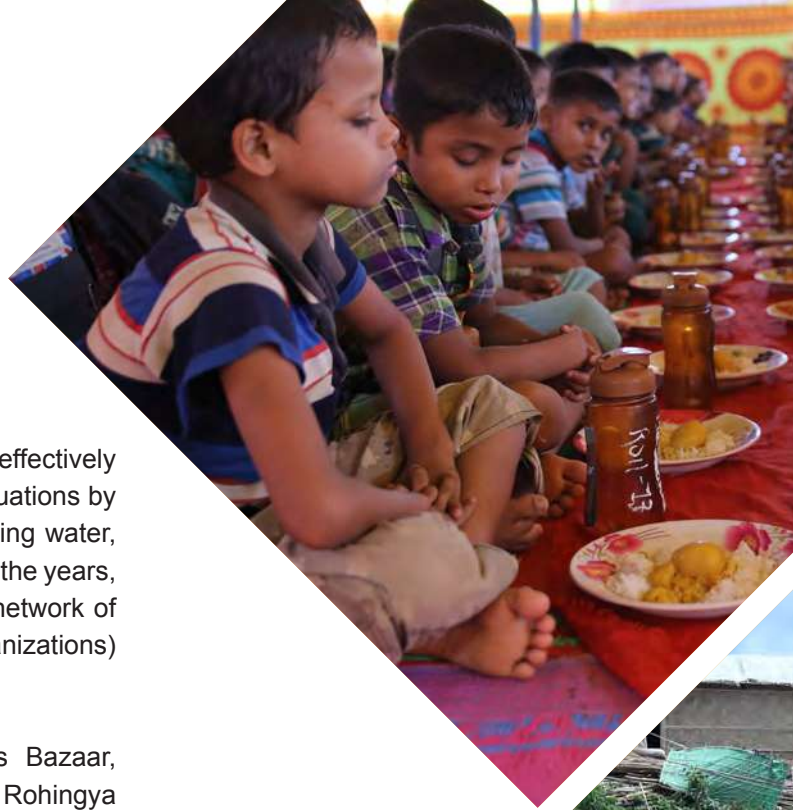
EDUCATIONAL RELIEF

Everyone would agree that a good Educational System is paramount to a nation's success. With this in mind, ICNA Relief Canada continually invests in Education, School Building and infrastructure improvement projects in the developing world.

This is in addition to the educational programs that ICNA Relief Canada supports for orphan children under our Orphan Sponsorship Program in 12 countries. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada spent \$218,378 for Educational Support and Relief initiatives in India and Pakistan. The projects included construction, renovation and/or expansion of primary schools, post-secondary education scholarships, skill enhancement programs, provision of school supplies such as desks, uniforms and other financial support for schools serving the poorest children and adults from rural and slum areas; many of the most destitute people benefitting from our educational projects live in regions and countries suffering from abject poverty, war or natural disasters.

Disbursements on Educational Relief Projects in 2018:

Pakistan	\$148,128
India	\$70,250
Total	\$218,378



DISASTER AND EMERGENCY RELIEF

ICNA Relief Canada endeavours to respond as quickly and effectively as possible to major international emergency and disaster situations by providing humanitarian aid in essentials such as: food, drinking water, shelters, medical assistance and educational resources. Over the years, ICNA Relief Canada has developed a reliable and growing network of local and regional NGOs (independent non-governmental organizations) who assist us in the delivery of our programs.

ICNA Relief Canada has been on the ground in Coxes Bazaar, Bangladesh since September 2017 in response to ongoing Rohingya Refugee crisis. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada spent \$1,421,572 for Rohingya Relief and provided emergency relief such as food, clean water, hygiene kits, medicine, and clothes as immediate response and constructed 1000 permanent shelters, 1000 water pumps, 1000 sanitary latrines as long term solutions. We are also running three Children Homes to support and educate Rohingya Children, three Medical Centres and a Mobile Dental Clinic (only facility) in the Rohingya camps in Bangladesh providing quality education for children and ensuring healthcare for all.

Additionally, our teams have been working tirelessly on the ground in response to relief for Yemen, Syria and Palestine. We also responded by providing the timely relief to the Indonesia earthquake and India floods relief.



Disbursements on Disaster and Emergency Relief in 2018

Rohingya Relief	\$1,421,572
Palestine Relief	\$130,470
Syria Relief	\$107,297
Yemen Relief Work	\$88,000
Pakistan Relief	\$47,330
Bangladesh Relief	\$32,000
India Relief	\$23,448
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Sierra Leone	\$1,049
Total	\$1,890,263



ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

ICNA Relief Canada's largest and most popular initiative, the Orphan Sponsorship Program, saw an investment of close to \$1.5 million in eleven different countries for the support of 4443 orphan children in 2018.

In 2018, we have also constructed "Oasis of Urfa" an orphanage, a home, and a symbol of hope for Syrian orphan girls in Turkey. This free home for orphans provides free food, shelter, healthcare, quality living, education, and other basic necessities of everyday life. It was inaugurated on November 25, 2018, by renowned journalist Yvonne Ridley, Dr. Fozia Alvi of Calgary, Sister Humaira Khan from Milton, and ICNA Relief Canada's Executive Director Shaukat Hussain.

COUNTRY	DISBURSEMENT AMOUNT (\$)	# OF ORPHANS SPONSORED
Afghanistan	\$36,650	122
Bangladesh	\$69,001	230
Bosnia	\$15,600	52
India	\$239,100	797
Kashmir	\$308,100	1027
Kenya	\$57,600	120
Lebanon	\$154,870	173
Pakistan	\$292,500	975
Rohingya	\$176,528	450
Sierra Leone	\$36,130	120
Sri Lanka	\$ 48,600	162
Syria	\$19,800	215
Total	\$1,454,519	4,443

Oasis of Urfa 2018

Syrian Girls Orphanage	\$32,757
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SPONSOR AN ORPHAN

FOR AS LOW AS \$1/DAY

It is estimated that 140 million children worldwide are orphans
Experience the joy of changing a child's life

Donate Online
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WE ARE ON **THE GROUND**





**PROVIDING EMERGENCY
RELIEF AND LONG TERM
SUPPORT WITH OUR LOCAL
AND INTERNATIONAL
PARTNERS.**

Through different projects such as

- Orphan Sponsorship
- Healthcare
- Education
- Shelter
- Orphanage
- Women and Youth Empowerment
- Refugee Sponsorship

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WATER FOR LIFE

ICNA Relief Canada realizes the importance of clean and safe water in helping to build and maintain healthy and prosperous communities in the developing world. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada invested \$211,821 on a various water projects in India and Pakistan that help over 200,000 people to access to clean water and healthy sanitation facilities every day.

Disbursements on Water for Life Program in 2018:

India	\$134,393
Pakistan	\$77,428
Total	\$ 211,821

ZAKAT-UL-FITR (FITRA)

We pay Zakat-ul-Fitr at the end of Ramadan as a token of thankfulness to Allah for having enabled us to observe fasts and help the poor and needy, so that everyone can happily celebrate Eid together. ICNA Relief Canada's Zakat-ul Fitr project ensures that your Zakat-ul Fitr reaches the deserving people before the Eid Prayer. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada disbursed \$213,475 Zakat-ul-Fitr in Bangladesh, Burma, Canada, India, Kenya, Nepal, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sri Lanka and Syria.

Disbursements in 2018:

Syria	\$ 50,536
Rohingya	\$ 47,839
India	\$30,000
Pakistan	\$25,000
Canada	\$10,100
Somalia	\$10,000
Nepal	\$10,000
Bangladesh	\$7,500
Kenya	\$7,500
Sierra Leone	\$7,500
Sri Lanka	\$7,500
Total	\$213,475



SPONSOR A **WATER PROJECT**

WATER IS SCARCE FOR
1 BILLION PEOPLE.

Rasulullah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wa Sallam) said,
“THE BEST FORM OF CHARITY
IS GIVING WATER (TO DRINK).”

Donate Online
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with collaboration of Somali
Community of Windsor
**WATER for LIFE
SOMALIA**
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COUNCIL**

GLOBAL ZABIHA/ UDHIYA/QURBANI

We provide a vital and very convenient service to Canadian donors who wish that their sacrificial meat be of benefit to the less privileged. On behalf of those donors, ICNA Relief Canada arranges animal sacrifices in different countries through its Global Zabiha Program and Aqeeqa Sadaqa Project. We make sure that our local partners distribute the sacrificial fresh meat to those who rarely have opportunity to get meat or protein in their daily meals. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada successfully arranged nearly 6,110 goat and/or cow share orders totaling over \$770,920 - an initiative that benefitted over one million needy people in 18 countries to enjoy fresh meat on Eid-ul-Adha.

LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM

Our livelihood program allows funds to be made available to the poor, the unemployed and to widows. Families who are loaned money to start a small business, or buy income-producing equipment (such as a sewing machine, for example) are able to generate a source of steady livelihood which in turn leads to self-sufficiency and the ability to repay the loan. This beneficial cycle becomes a Sadaqa-e-Jariya, the best form of charity. In 2018, we invested \$15,108 for this program in India.

Disbursements on Livelihood Program in 2018:

India	\$15,108
Total	\$15,108

Disbursements for Global Zabiha in 2018:

India	\$183,225
Pakistan	\$138,795
Rohingya	\$83,050
Burma	\$58,135
Yemen	\$45,500
Somalia	\$45,000
Palestine (Gaza)	\$35,000
Bangladesh	\$33,000
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Total	\$770,920

SADAQA & AQEEQA

Additionally, ICNA Relief Canada arranged over 400 goat/lamb sacrifices totaling of \$59,637 that benefitted an estimated 20,000 needy people in six countries.

Disbursements in 2018:

Rohingya Camps (Bangladesh)	\$20,720
Pakistan	\$16,770
Kenya	\$10,010
India	\$5,920
Canada	\$4,657
Afghanistan	\$1,560
Total	\$59,637



INTERNATIONAL VISITS

Members of the ICNA Relief Canada team periodically visit international projects to ensure service quality, accountability, transparency, progress, and share constructive feedback with partners. Additionally, this serves the purpose of identifying potential projects and programs that ICNA Relief Canada may initiate or support in the future. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada's teams travelled to Bangladesh, Philippines, Turkey, Turkey, Pakistan, India and Azad Kashmir to visit ongoing projects, meet local partners, and gather the information presented for our esteemed donors.

ROHINGYA REFUGEE CAMPS, COX'S BAZAR BANGLADESH

In March 2018, Imam Abu Noman Tarek and in August 2018, ICNA Canada's Ameer Taher Alvi and ICNA Relief Canada's ambassador Dr. Fozia Alvi visited Rohingya Camps in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. The teams distributed emergency relief, visited activities of our three children care homes, three medical centres, and a mobile dental clinic. The team reported that our local team successfully built over 3000 shelters, sanitary latrines, and water wells.

PHILIPPINES

In March, 2018 Imam Abu Noman Tarek visited different orphanages and refugee camps in Philippines and distributed emergency relief among orphans and refugee families.





TURKEY- FOR SYRIA RELIEF

ICNA Relief Canada's Executive Director Shaukat Hussain along with different team members visited Turkey a few times in 2018 to serve Syrian refugees living in Turkey. During his visit he visited different refugee camps and orphanages. In June, he spent Eid with Syrian orphans in Turkey. In September, along with Dr. Fozia Alvi and Yvonne Ridley, our executive director inaugurated an orphanage for girls "Oasis of Urfa" and visited some Uyghur families in Turkey.



PAKISTAN

In June, ICNA Relief Canada's executive director Shaukat Hussain and ICNA Canada Ameer Taher Alvi visited some of our different projects in Pakistan such as Aghosh Murree, a residential high school for orphans being built to accommodate 700 talented orphan students from all over the country. They also inaugurated three mother & child healthcare centres (MCHC): Iman Hospital, Talagang, Mashal Hospital, Mardan and the 'Razi Hospital' in the suburbs of Islamabad. All three hospitals are fully operational now serving free treatment to over 1000 people everyday.



INDIA

Our Senior Director, Administration & Coordination Syed M Agha visited our projects in India in December 2018. During his visit he visited our different partners as well as projects in India such as Orphan sponsorship program, Women Empowerment and Educational Support programs.

DOMESTIC PROGRAMS

ICNA RELIEF CANADA RESOURCE CENTRES

ICNA Relief Canada operates Resource Centres in ten cities across Canada:

- Brantford & Hamilton, ON
- Calgary, AB
- Edmonton, AB
- Milton, ON
- Mississauga, ON
- Montreal, QC
- Ottawa, ON
- Scarborough, ON
- Surrey, BC
- Thorncliffe, ON

Each resource center aims to provide the following 12 programs:

1. Food Bank
2. Muslim Family Services
3. Seniors' Support
4. Matrimonial Services
5. Funeral Support Fund
6. Foster Parenting
7. Domestic Zakat Program
8. Youth Programs
9. Maryam Home (Women Shelter)
10. Emergency Relief
11. Settlement & Refugee Sponsorship (SRS)
12. Healthcare

FOOD BANK

The Food Bank is the main component of all ICNA Relief Canada's ten resource centers that are always inclusive, open to all, ensure quality services, maintain recipients' dignity, and provide Halal food hampers along with other basic supplies to the families in need every month. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada's ten Food Banks served 53,694 individuals (12,538 families) across Canada by providing them with monthly Halal food hampers, basic supplies, winter clothes, back to school hampers, and special Ramadan and Eid hampers. Around \$2 million have been spent for the food banks in 2018.

ICNA Relief Canada's Food Banks collaborate with the mainstream Food Banks by running food drives for them and receiving food supplies from them regularly as needed. As a special mention, ICNA Relief Canada's Food Bank in Mississauga is supported by the Mississauga Food Bank, the Thorncliffe Food Bank is supported by The Daily Bread, the Sadaqa Food Bank, Ottawa is supported by the Ottawa Food Bank and Brantford Food Bank is supported by Salvation Army and Margot's





Place and other local food banks. ICNA Relief Canada's Food Banks were also supported by some corporations and community organizations such as Ini-She-ative, Assanbil, Darul Iman, Sacred Hands, ICNA Sisters, MCNA, Nations Fresh Food, Eco Source Gardens, Eaton Industries, Olive Grove School, Al Huda Institute and the Region of Peel, in 2018. Free supplies and services from the mainstream Food Banks, corporations and community members and organizations help ICNA Relief Canada's Food Banks increase their inventories and enable them to serve more clients on a regular basis.

counseling services under this initiative for their emotional and psychological well-being as well as for their family and youth issues.

ICNA Relief Canada's Resource Centres organized many workshops and awareness programs for the community such as Positive Parenting, Healthy Family Relationships, Women Wellness Program, Health & Nutrition, Computer, Sewing & English Language Classes. Brantford resource centre sponsored annual retreat of Canadian Council of Imams.

Additionally, ICNA Relief Canada organized events in promoting family values, social justice, and networking. We appreciate Bonnie Crombie, Mayor of Mississauga, for attending one of these programs and honoring us with a certificate of appreciation!



In addition to providing food and basic supplies, ICNA Relief Canada's Resource Centres assisted the food banks' clients in job search, provided career coaching and connected them with employment agencies to empower them and eliminate poverty. The Montreal Centre in collaboration with the Concordia University organized an 8-week workshop for the food bank clients on 'Lifestyle differences & other challenges faced in a new country and raising children in Canada'.

In addition, the Montreal centre organized a 'Job Search' workshop for the clients of its food bank as well as for general community members in collaboration with a major corporation, the UPS.

SENIORS' SUPPORT

Aging can create many challenges for our seniors, some of which increase their susceptibility to depression and other illnesses. Lack of attention and access to opportunities for healthy socialization can worsen many adverse situations for the elderly. ICNA Relief Canada's seniors' support programs aim to engage seniors in culturally inviting and inclusive environments. Events such as social networking, picnics, tours, computer classes, skill programs, monthly info sessions, exercise, and games were organized in 2018 across the Mississauga, Calgary, Edmonton, Montreal, and Thorncliffe Resource Centres to help seniors. In Mississauga, two picnics were organized in collaboration with the Credit Valley Conservation. The Montreal center also organized one picnic. The Mississauga centre ran an eight months long seniors' skill program funded by the ministry of Seniors Affairs. Under the program, 24 workshops were organized on topics such as Online skills development, Healthy living, Elder abuse awareness, Communication & relationships, Self-care, and Career skills development.

In the implementation of Seniors Support Program, ICNA Relief



MUSLIM FAMILY SERVICES

ICNA Relief Canada's Muslim Family Services department strives to preserve and strengthen Canadian Muslim families and their values. In 2018, 173 people have received

specially acknowledges the support of its partner agencies, such as Costi that helped organize a 4-week program (Women's Pathways to Success) for elderly women at the IRC Mississauga centre, Elder Abuse Ontario, Heart & Stroke Foundation, PEACE Services and many others.

MATRIMONIAL SERVICES

Finding suitable marriage partners for Muslims in Canada has become a major need and challenge for many families. To alleviate some of the challenges of this regard, ICNA Relief Canada launched a free, fully functional matrimonial service in July 2012. Since its inception, this initiative has been welcomed with great enthusiasm and is constantly evolving. Prospective candidates and their families are invited to register on the ICNA Relief Canada website and consult with our matrimonial services team.

In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada organized several sold-out social events and educational seminars on marriage, where individuals and families learned more about the Islamic perspective on marriage and were able to make positive connections. In 2018, over 243 families registered for ICNA Relief Canada's matrimonial service. Additionally, many people received pre-marital counseling services to better prepare for marriage.

FUNERAL SUPPORT FUND

Today, the cost of purchasing a grave plot and even the most modest funeral arrangements for a departed loved one may often reach into thousands of dollars. For many, these expenses are simply unaffordable and cause individuals dealing with grief to turn to others for financial aid. To alleviate this challenge, ICNA Relief Canada has established a Funeral Support Fund to assist needy families in covering the costs related to funerals. In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada collected \$8,136.00 for this and disbursed \$9607.00 to assist two families for burial.

FOSTER PARENTING

Foster parenting is a model whereby trained foster parents provide temporary care to children in safe, nurturing, and healthy family environments when the children's own families are unable to do so for various reasons. ICNA Relief Canada's foster parenting initiative connects families interested in becoming foster parents with their local Children's Aid Society (CAS). ICNA Relief Canada also organizes seminars, workshops, Khutbahs, and presentations in raising awareness and provides guidance on how to become a foster parent, especially within the Muslim community.

In 2018, ICNA Relief Canada provided necessary information to the community on a regular basis, organized seminars in Mississauga in collaboration with Peel Children's Aid Society, as well as held an information session in Brantford, Calgary and Montreal. Moreover, one new couple became foster parents in Brampton and seven families were able to connect with the Children's Aid Society..

DOMESTIC ZAKAT PROGRAM

Each year, ICNA Relief Canada receives countless applications for financial assistance from needy Muslim Canadians. After a careful assessment, ICNA Relief Canada provides a reasonable and dignified one-time amount of monetary relief from its general Zakat fund to the applicants with greatest need to alleviate their financial burden. In 2018, Alhamdulillah, seventy-five deserving Canadian Muslim families received over \$106,303 in financial help from ICNA Relief Canada's Domestic Zakat Fund.





YOUTH PROGRAMS:

Youth Leadership Development Program (YLDP):

Each summer, the YLDP helps impart valuable skills to high school students through a creative “learning while doing” approach. The program consists of seminars and exciting field projects in personal development, organization, communication, community activism, and social skills. From July to August of 2018, the YLDP was held in Mississauga. Seventy-nine students participated in this successful annual event. For Ontario high school students, the YLDP also counts toward fulfilling their necessary forty hours of volunteer service towards completing their secondary school diploma. YLDP is one of ICNA Relief Canada’s proudest and long-running achievements, as it enters its fourteenth year. Online registration for summer 2019 is open at www.icnareliefcanda.ca/yldp on our website!

Additionally, ICNA Relief Canada launched MiSpace Youth Studio in Mississauga in 2016. It provides a safe and healthy space for youth to be personally empowered, socially engaged, morally energized, and spiritually connected with Allah to be qualified future leaders in serving humanity with dignity. In 2018, MiSpace Youth Studio, Mississauga organized many successful youth empowering programs such as:

Games Night for Boys: Filled with fun, games, and food.

Girls Night: An evening of fun, drums, potluck food, and henna.

Youth Takeover: A workshop organized for young adults (15 & above) to help gain an understanding of different methods of civic engagement. The event also introduced a new app that helps find places to volunteer.

Crafty Kids: For young kids (7-12), there were different arts and crafts activities that sparked the inner artist of these kids.

Post-secondary Pathways: Organized for High school students and parents, initiated in 2016, hundreds of Peel families have benefited from this program. The event featured meet and greet with graduates of top Canadian universities who were there to answer the questions ranging from co-op placement and career options to prerequisite course selection, military college, and post-secondary mental health tips.

Representatives from Scholarship Canada, My Voice Canada, Helping hand app, The Centre for Skills Development & Training, York University, Seneca College, Humber College, Heritage Mississauga, Naseeha Muslim Youth Helpline, Building up Our Neighbourhoods and Douglas Academy were on hand to familiarize the students with the various post-secondary scholarships, contests, and volunteer opportunities available.

A Night with Doctors: The event had a presentation and a panel discussion, followed by a question and answer session between students, parents and the panelists. The panelists were doctors who had graduated from top Canadian, Caribbean, American and Pakistani medical schools. The participants appreciated the efforts of the organizers in hosting much needed informational sessions. This was the third year of ICNA Relief doing this unique event that has benefited hundreds of families.

A night with Engineers: This was the second year of this project by ICNA Relief



benefitting families across the GTA.

Seminar on Artificial intelligence and Future Jobs: Targeted for high school students and their parents, the seminar looked at the recent trends in the artificial intelligence industry and provided future directions to the students. There were live demos of artificial intelligence during the seminar.

Networking Event for Young Professionals & University Students: Aimed to providing a platform for individuals to socialize & establish professional relationships.

The Montreal Youth Development event: A monthly youth development event started in Montreal.

Youth Events Sponsorship: In 2018, we sponsored the Maple Wood School fair "Leader in Me".

Blood Drive Sponsorship: The ICNA Relief collaborated with NDG mosque, Hema-Quebec and Belagir and was able to coordinate the first ICNA Relief supported blood drive in Montreal by providing the volunteers, snacks for the donors and marketing the event. The event was successful and close to 50 blood donors showed up.

Recognitions & Awards: An award of recognition was awarded to ICNA Relief by MP Iqra Khalid for our continuous efforts on youth development. The Sheridan College awarded a certificate of appreciation to the Mississauga Resource Centre for its support to the College Internship program. Additionally, nine of the ICNA Relief volunteers got Ontario Volunteer Service Awards in 2018.

MARYAM HOME (WOMENS' SHELTER)

Maryam Home is a vision for a temporary safe shelter for women experiencing abuse and is the newest major local program initiative by ICNA Relief Canada. In 2015, ICNA Relief Canada purchased a property in a stable and secure Mississauga middle-class neighborhood to create a space for women fleeing abusive relationships and looking for a safe living environment. Maryam Home

aims to welcome all women needing shelter and seeks to primarily help single Muslim women from the GTA who find themselves in abusive and/or threatening situations. This temporary residence will serve Halal food and provide its female residents with a variety of culturally compatible counselling and spiritual wellness services. Qualified caregivers and staff will help them return to living normal, respected, and dignified lives.

Due to zoning issues, ICNA Relief Canada is in the process of relocating Maryam Home. Until then, Maryam Home is being used by MiSpace Youth Studio for youth programs and also for the seniors' programs.

HEALTHCARE

This is a new initiative started at the end of 2018. Through this program, ICNA Relief Canada has pledged to support initiatives by local communities to help our Canadian Hospitals. As the first step, ICNA Relief Canada is supporting three such projects in Mississauga, Scarborough and Brantford in 2019. These projects have been undertaken in partnership with the Mississauga Muslim Community, the Scarborough Muslim Community, and the Muslim Association of Brantford.

FEED THE HUNGRY

Another initiative started in December 2018 as a pilot project. As a part of this project, ICNA Relief Canada distributed 600 cooked meals in five Women and Youth shelters in the region of Peel around the Christmas time.



SETTLEMENT AND REFUGEE SERVICES (SRS)

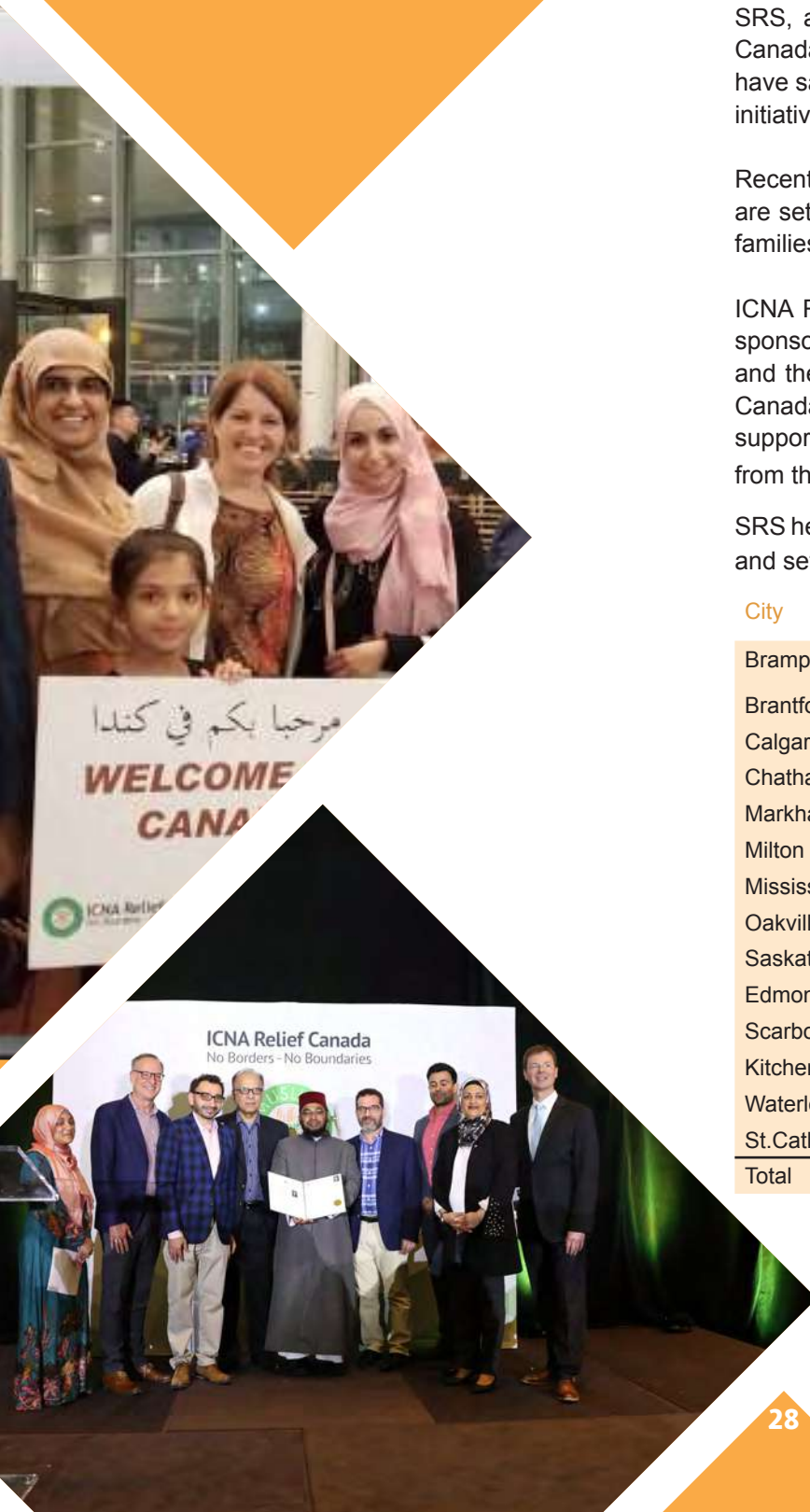
In October 2015, ICNA Relief Canada launched a new program called the Settlement & Refugee Sponsorship, also known as SRS, aiming to bring one hundred Syrian refugee families to Canada. Alhamdulillah, sixty-five Syrian families (220 individuals) have safely arrived in Canada since February 2016 through this initiative.

Recently we welcomed 11 Rohingya families to Canada. They are settled in Kitchener and Waterloo, ON with other Rohingya families.

ICNA Relief Canada could not have achieved this without our sponsoring groups, group leaders, donors, and volunteers and their continued generosity, support, and trust. ICNA Relief Canada's sponsoring groups provide full settlement and financial support to each of these families for at least one year starting from the day they have arrived in Canada.

SRS helped 76 Syrian families (247 individuals) come to Canada and settled in the following cities since 2016:

City	Number of Families	Number of People
Brampton	2	10
Brantford	6	22
Calgary	10	20
Chatham	2	17
Markham	1	4
Milton	18	42
Mississauga	8	35
Oakville	6	25
Saskatoon	1	5
Edmonton	1	5
Scarborough	6	13
Kitchener	9	21
Waterloo	2	6
St.Catharines	1	11
Total	76	247





Special Report

2019 UPDATE

On Saturday, April 13, our Settlement & Refugee Sponsorship (SRS) department organized an appreciation dinner at the Sagan convention centre, Mississauga, ON with 500 guests that included many refugee families, sponsor groups, volunteers, Imams, scholars, interfaith & community leaders, and dignitaries. Representatives from all three levels of government were in attendance such as MP Omar Alghabra, MP Gagan Sikand, MP Sven Spengemann, MP Salma Zahid, MP Rob Oliphant, MP Shaun Chen, MPP Kalid Rasheed, MPP Faisal Hassan and Acting Mayor of Milton Kristina Tesser Derksen. The Mayor of Brampton Patrick Brown, the Mayor of Mississauga Bonnie Crombie and the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau sent their respective written greetings that you can read in the next three pages. The keynote speaker of the event was UNHCR Canada's chief Jean-Nicolas.





April 13, 2019

Dear Organizing Committee;

I am so sorry that I am not able to attend your event this evening. My schedule is very busy these days and unfortunately, I cannot make every event, even though I do my very best.

I want to thank you for inviting me to attend. I look forward to attending future events when you host them.

The work ICNA Relief Canada is doing is important. First and foremost, you are providing hope to thousands of people who have come to Canada and Mississauga for a chance a better life.

We are fortunate to live in Canada, one of the best countries on Earth. People from around the world choose to come to Canada because of the promise of a good life and opportunity for all. As Canadian residents and citizens, we have an obligation to help those who are new to our country to settle and succeed. It is not enough to simply welcome newcomers to our country; we must do more to help them acclimate, adjust and provide them with access to information and services to help them thrive.

The work being done by ICNA Relief is extraordinary and should be commended. I am pleased to see you hosting this appreciation dinner in honour of the people who are giving back so much to help others. It is incredible how many newcomers, while navigating a new country and new institutions themselves, are giving up their time to help other newcomers succeed. This is exemplary and inspiring.

At your core, you are striving to make Canada a better place for everyone. I applaud you in this mission and extend my warmest thanks for all the work you do.

I wish you continued success as you grow ICNA Relief further and hope that you have the opportunity to continue to touch the lives of so many in our community.

On behalf of the City of Mississauga, thank you for your tireless work.

Congratulations to all those being recognized tonight – your honour is truly deserved.

Good luck, and thank you.

Sincerely,
Bonnie Crombie
Mayor of Mississauga



April 13, 2019

Greetings from Mayor Patrick Brown

Dear Friends,

Assalamu Alaikum! Peace be upon you all!

On behalf of the City of Brampton and Members of Brampton City Council, I would like to extend best wishes to ICNA Relief Canada as you gather for your appreciation dinner recognizing sponsored Syrian and Rohingya families who have since made Canada their home. ICNA Relief Canada has made it possible for those afflicted by trials and hardship around the world to live a better life in Canada. ICNA Relief has thus made a positive difference in the lives of 76 families.

Brampton is proud of its diversity and is home to many from various countries. Diversity is our strength and we are proud of the many accomplishments and contributions of the community.

Established in 1997, ICNA Relief Canada (under ICNA Canada), a registered charity, has been serving humanity in Canada and globally in different capacities while working with community leaders, Imams, scholars, sponsor groups, donors, volunteers, service providers and well-wishers.

Thank you to ICNA for your positive contributions in Canada for the past 20+ years.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Brown", is positioned above the printed name.

Patrick Brown,
Mayor



PRIME MINISTER • PREMIER MINISTRE

Statement from the Prime Minister of Canada

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to tonight's Appreciation Dinner, hosted by the Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) Relief Canada.

We gather here tonight, to celebrate the arrival of 65 Syrian and 11 Rohingya families to Canada. This is also an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the great work of ICNA Relief Canada. Since 1997, ICNA Relief Canada has been working to better the lives of those here at home and around the world – regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, class, location, religion, or background. I would like to thank everyone at ICNA Relief Canada for the work you do to empower lives, and for your continued efforts to helping those in need.

Thank you to the organizers for making this event possible and to all in attendance for coming to be part of the occasion.

Please accept my warmest welcome and best wishes for a memorable night!

Ottawa
2019



SETTLEMENT & REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP (SRS)

- Helped **65 Syrian** and **11 Rohingya** families come to Canada
- Helped them settled in 13 different cities - Brampton, Brantford, Calgary, Chatham, Edmonton, Kitchener, Markham, Milton, Mississauga, Oakville, Scarborough, St. Catharines, & Waterloo
- Aim to help more refugee families come to Canada

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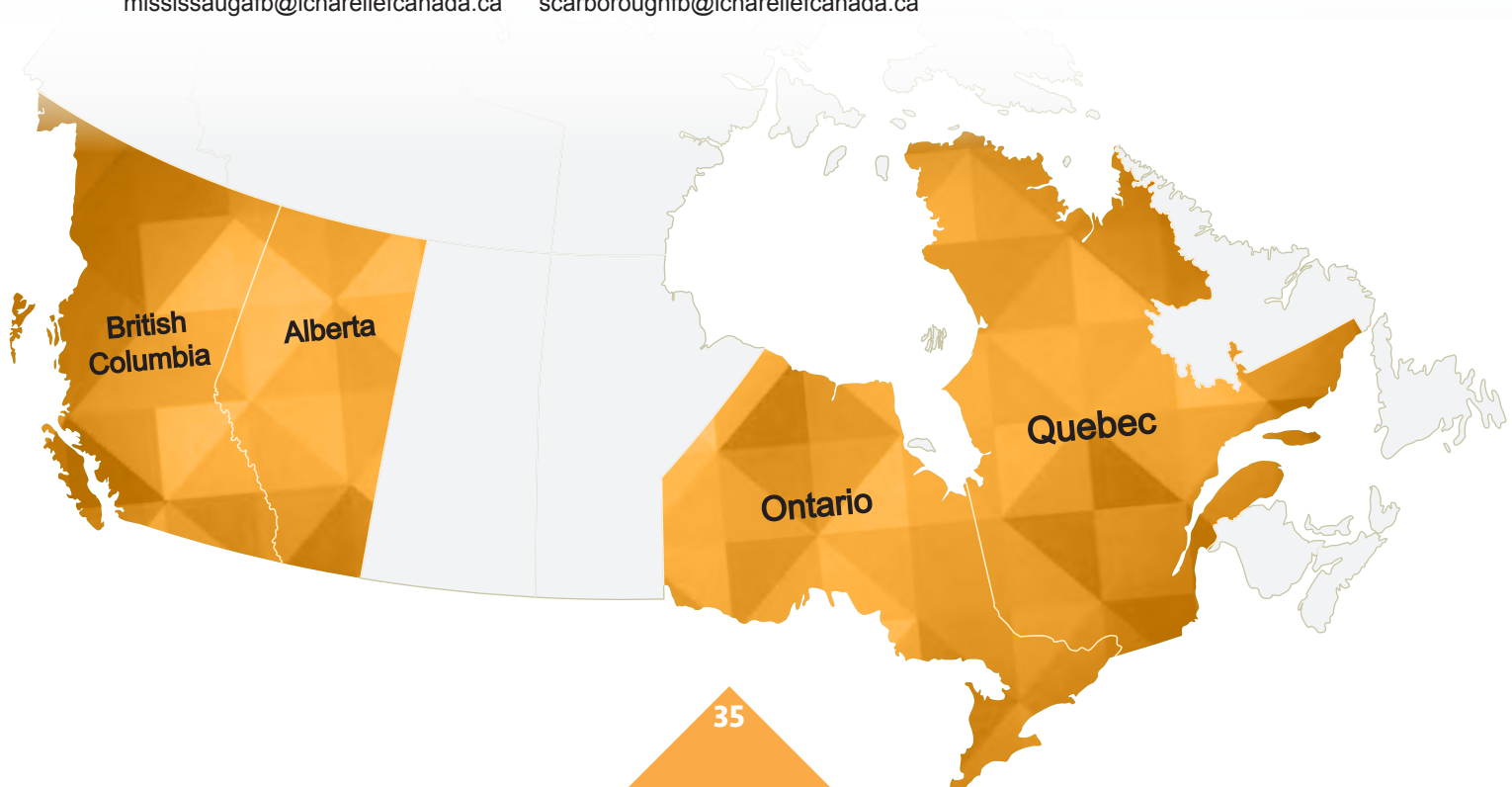
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