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Volunteer of the
Year**

**Food
Distribution to
those
experiencing
Homelessness**

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For 2021/2022**

**Flooding in
Queensland**



MEET THE MCF TEAM



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Vice President, OAM



Janeth Deen
Director, OAM



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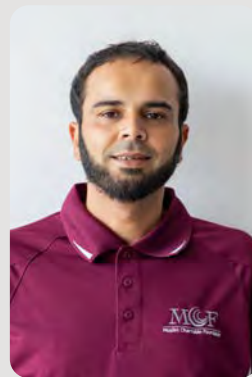
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EMERGENCY HOUSING PROJECT

MORE DIFFICULT THEN WE IMAGINED

Last year saw us commence with a fund raiser with the intention of purchasing a suitable property to fulfill the ever increasing need to provide emergency accommodation. This journey has proven more difficult than we had imagined.

- Property prices rocketed.
- Council rules control which areas or properties can be used for temporary accommodation.
- Our meeting with council did not end with any positive outcome.
- Many local masjid projects made fund raising more challenging.

The need for this emergency accommodation has not diminished but increased. Desperate individuals, families and agencies are ringing weekly asking us to assist or provide temporary accommodation.

Providing this emergency accommodation is an urgent and necessary acquisition. It is our fervent desire to work harder over the next twelve months to make this much-needed facility a reality for our community.

What can you do to assist us:

- Help in finding suitable properties – multi dwelling development, motel, etc. or land that we can build the facility.
- Continue to financially support this project and help us make it a reality.
- Meet with us and offer your expert advice and assistance.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As-Salaamu-Alaikum

Yusuf Khatree



I begin in the name of Allah Almighty, the Beneficent, the Merciful. Peace and Salutations to our Beloved Nabi, Prophet Muhammad SAW. It is my pleasure once again to present my report for the year from July 2021 till June 2022. I wish to begin by reminding us what the Holy Qur'an says in Surah Tauba Chapter 9, Verse 60:

"The alms are only for the poor and the needy, and those who collect them, and those whose hearts are to be reconciled, and to free the captives and the debtors, and for the cause of Allah, and (for) the wayfarer; a duty imposed by Allah. Allah is Knower, Wise."

Each year brings new challenges, hopes, wishes, success, setbacks and sometimes disappointments. And this last year was no different.

This year re-enforced the need for the provision of certain amenities needed for our community. We realised the invaluable role that MCF played in the provision of emergency accommodation. With that in mind, we decided to pursue the acquisition of a property that would serve that purpose. That proved more difficult than anticipated. The property market had skyrocketed, and suitable properties were difficult to acquire. Our many meetings with the relevant authorities have not led to any positive results. Despite the uphill battle, we have persevered and started the fund raising for this much needed project.

MCF has become a recognised and respected organisation in the Muslim Community. The support that we receive bears testimony to this. It is important that we develop that trust further by becoming more inclusive and enhancing our interaction with all sectors of the community. It is envisaged that we will arrange a visit and a meeting to masajid outside of the areas that we have been working with. This will help widen our collection base and further enhance our image in the wider Muslim community.

A major part of the work that we do revolves around the provision of financial assistance to families and individuals. I would like to express our appreciation to those individuals in our committee that make themselves available to attend to the many interviews that need to be done on a weekly basis especially Osman, Janeth, and Hamza. Osman, as you are aware goes way beyond the call of duty by even attending to the collection, storage and delivering of furniture and household items. May Allah reward him and his sons who are always available to assist him.

During the year under review, our efforts have allowed us to positively impact on the lives of many of our fellow countrymen and attempt to alleviate their hardships to some degree. Once again Queensland was affected by major flooding, and we were on the ground together with our sister organisations Muslim Aid Australia and Merciful Servants. Assistance was rendered in the clean-up and provision of food during the clean-up.

This year has also seen an increase in the request for food. Alhamdulillah, we are fortunate that our donors are always willing to fill our shelves with food items whenever a call is made. Fatima seems to have nailed this down to a fine art. Our sincere thanks to our donors.

MCF has become a member of Queensland Muslims Inc. (QMI) and three MCF members are serving on the Executive and are recorded as Founding members.

The role of MCF cannot be under-estimated or ignored. In the thirteen years of its existence, MCF had played a significant role in filling that void that existed in the Muslim community. It has become the first port of call of many organisations – Muslim and non-Muslim, when help is being sought. We can act swiftly and effectively. Our system of interviews, record keeping and executing assistance is immaculate and thorough. And we are proud that within a few weeks of the end of the financial year, we can produce Audited Financial statements.

MCF’s group of volunteers and their families must be acknowledged and recognised for the selfless dedication and commitment. We work with one purpose and solely for the pleasure of Allah. Each year brings new challenges, and through the grace of Almighty Allah and the magnanimity of our donors, MCF has stood up to those challenges. Good governance, transparency and accountability are our cornerstone, and we will not waver from that. We will continue to attend to the needs of those who require our help and fulfill our Amanaah. Insha Allah.

My sincere appreciation to our team members and our many volunteers for their unreserved assistance. May Allah reward and bless you all.

I remain your humble servant.

Yusuf Khatree (President)

14 September 2022



**Emergency
Housing**



**Food
Aid**



**Zakat
Distribution**



**Medical
Aid**



**Homeless
Emergency Aid**



**Emergency
Aid**



**Breakfast
Feeding**



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Collection &
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Migrant Aid**



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CASE REPORTS

1 JULY 2021 - 30 JUNE 2022

Osman Rane



Poverty

Economic hardship is perhaps the most confronting and challenging factor that a human can face. It leads to depression, stress, anxiety, a feeling of hopelessness, family breakdown, domestic violence, substance abuse, homelessness, and sometimes suicide. Our community is not immune to this and our team is constantly reminded of the hardships faced by our Brothers and Sisters in our Community almost on a daily basis. This is not confined to migrants or refugees, but affects those who are born and raised here as well.

Client Assessment and Verification Process

Most clients are assessed at the MCF office and provided with their needs, financial aid, food, clothes and furniture. This financial year, our team investigated, visited, interviewed and recorded four hundred and thirty seven (437) cases, an increase of 70 cases, 19% increase from the previous financial year (367). All of the above were provided with assistance dependent on their needs. All clients are required to produce bank statements to verify income and expenses. Most are recipients of Zakaat. If there is any uncertainty, then another account is used if warranted.

Housing Crisis

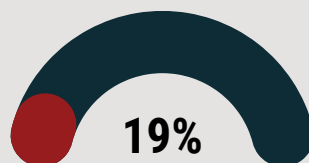
We are currently experiencing the greatest and most traumatic event faced by families all over Australia, that is the lack of suitable housing and rising rents. Many of our local Muslim families have been given notice to leave and find other accommodation. This is due to a number of events, including the recent floods, and the sharp rise in real estate with investors selling their properties on the booming market. We are receiving calls weekly from families forced to live with friends or even in Motels. This has caused extreme stress and anxiety to those concerned. Those who do find a place are now paying much higher rent and subsequently seeking rent assistance from us.

Visa Cancellations or Extensions

This is perhaps the major contributor to a number of families and individuals seeking help. Some have had their visas cancelled even after having jobs and supporting themselves for many years. When they lodge an appeal they lose all income and work rights. Others have six monthly extensions added to their visas on a regular basis which allows them to work but find it impossible to find a job due to the uncertainty of their stay. They cannot pay rent, utilities or even put food on the table. If not for us and other Charities they would become homeless. MCF is paying all the living costs for many of these families on a continual basis. This can mean that MCF is paying around \$25,000.00 rent per year for just one family.

437

Families
Assisted



19%
Increase in Cases
from Last Year

+/- \$25k

Amount in Yearly Rent
MCF can pay per family
seeking rental assistance

Rent Assistance

We have seen rents rise and assistance increase again this year. Constant increases in the cost of living, means more people are finding it difficult to pay their bills, with rent being the largest single expense. Utilities are the next biggest expense. Those with no income and single parent families are the most vulnerable and with an increase in separations, divorces, domestic abuse, homeless cases and family breakdowns, it is usually the mother or wife left to manage on a very limited income. They cannot survive on Centrelink payments due to the high cost of living.

Emergency Accommodation

The living area upstairs has proven invaluable, providing emergency accommodation to the homeless or to those at risk. This year alone has seen the accommodation used fourteen times and seventy one times since the house was purchased six years ago.

Medical Assistance

MCF has assisted with medical procedures, payment of medical bills, including scans and operations, chemist scripts etc. We continue providing financial assistance to World Wellness Group who provides medical treatment for the most vulnerable people who do not have access to Medicare benefits.

Food Hampers – Food Distribution

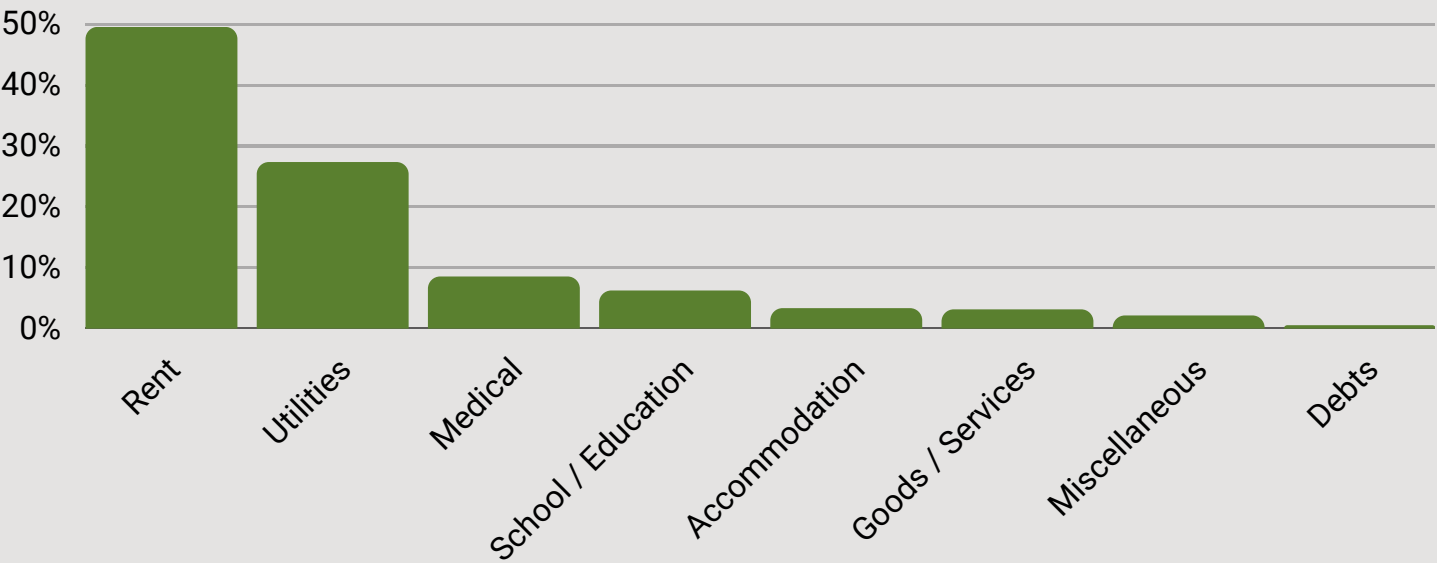
We also provide food, which includes meat, chicken, and a wide variety of groceries. Most of it is donated by our generous donors. During the year we distribute hundreds of food hampers throughout the community. Even organizations such as Red Cross pick up hampers every month to distribute to their mainly Muslim clients. May Allah (s.w.t.) reward all the donors abundantly.

We have maintained a strong bond with Muslim Aid Australia and Merciful Servants to provide food to the homeless and needy.

Referred Clients

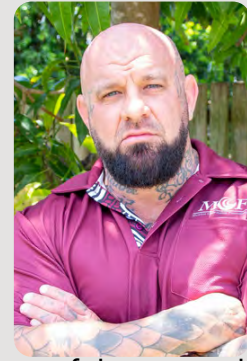
Many of our clients are referred to us from Government support agencies, (Red Cross, Romero Centre, World Wellness Group, Multicultural Australia) Schools, Church groups, Hospitals, Aid Workers, Imams, Mosque Societies, and various Community organizations.

Requests for help are received almost on a daily basis and actioned almost immediately. Much praise must go to all our members for helping with many of the cases.



PROJECT REPORT

Hamza (Robbie)
Maestracci



The past year has been much like the previous years in terms of the general nature of the outreach support being offered by MCF.

Looking back over the case reports, month after month, there are constant stories of concerned phone calls from parents, where their children are using drugs and getting into trouble with police. This involves home visits and referrals to lawyers. The lawyer I typically refer people to for criminal matters has had more phone calls from me this year than my mother. Late night calls are received from people needing advice and help for just about every legal pickle someone can find themselves in.

Accommodation for men on parole has been an ongoing issue, MCF providing the house whenever available for the brothers to use, and in some cases the wives of brothers who have been returned to prison, leaving the wives behind with nowhere to go.

Our youth do not seem to be getting any better at staying out of trouble, which I suppose is completely normal in any culture. The problem is the nature of the risks our young people seem to be taking are way more serious than they used to be. They have gone from getting into fights years ago over disagreements, to shooting at each other's family homes, and in some cases each other. My fears are that as time goes by our young ones are getting more comfortable in pushing the boundaries further and further. It seems they were once content shooting at someone's car while they were inside asleep, now moved on to shooting at their homes, then from there, people being shot in the leg, etc. I truly hope the trajectory changes, because if it does not, I fear that writing this same report next year will include a story of some poor young person in our community being shot and killed outside his house or in a park somewhere. There is no simple answer to what we need to do to prevent this. I do believe that early intervention, keeping children busy doing good things, from as young as possible, is one factor though. As we have said many times before, and keep repeating ourselves, like a stuck record, *it all starts from home*.

Parents need to keep a close eye on who their children are hanging out with. They should not underestimate just how incredibly stupid otherwise intelligent and sensible children can be in the wrong company. One smart child surrounded by half a dozen idiots, will also end up behaving by default, as an idiot. A friend once said to me something that has stayed with me up till today. He said brother, "it's one thing to do something silly but its another thing to do it with silly people". I cannot emphasise the importance the role the parents need to play in this. We cannot leave it to the Teachers or the Imaams to put things right if things are not right at home. Character building starts at home and it is up to us as parents to instil that into our children.

What responsibilities do parents have towards their children?

Muslim parents have a responsibility to care for their children physically and emotionally. Their goal is for their children to grow into self-disciplined, independent adults. Parents are expected to teach their children right from wrong. Children are expected to respect their parents. The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) said, ***"No parent can give their children a better gift than training them in good manners"***.

Based on similar evidence, scholars have listed the following main duties of parenthood:

- To provide a Peaceful and Loving environment at home that is conducive to the children's overall spiritual and moral development.
- To impart sound religious and moral values through practical examples by leading an exemplary life to Love, Mercy and Compassion.
- To instill in them Love of Allah and His Messenger and inculcate consciousness of Allah and accountability before Him.
- To implant in them seeds of Social consciousness and compassion.
- What the child learns at home is what we reap. Hence what he or she practices at home is the Ideal Islamic approach to raising responsible children.

Onto a different subject...

This year I would like to highlight one particular story that InshaAllah should get us all thinking. And that is the sad story of Peter Pilikington.

Peter Pilikington was 47 years old. Grew up badly, abused and neglected and struggled with a lifelong addiction to drugs. He had significant mental health issues and in the end was overwhelmed by life and found himself at breaking point. Peter was receiving disability support funding through NDIS . In Dec 2021 he walked into his NDIS care providers office in Calamvale and after an argument he threatened staff who ended up locking themselves in an office while he then locked himself in an office with a replica pistol. Police came and several hours after the siege started, police entered and shot Peter dead, not knowing his gun wasn't even real. Sadly within the first hour of police arriving Peter asked if he could speak with me. I received a call from police saying Peter was asking for me, I told them I was happy to come down there and talk to him, they said not to come but to wait by the phone and when possible they would try to put a call through from him. Unfortunately for reasons not known to me that call was never put through and the next news I received was that he had been killed. I was one of a small handful of people who attend Peters Janaza. Without going into details, that day left me very distressed.

I first met Peter when he was in QE2 hospital. He was very ill and brothers had referred him to me to go and talk to. He had reverted to Islam some time before that and was always interested in speaking about Islam. He was deeply troubled from past traumas. Over the years that followed, Peter and I came into contact a lot. He needed a huge amount of support.

I visited him in prison and tried to support him where I could outside as well. I would often get calls from Masajids and individuals who didn't know how to deal with him. Peter struggled with homelessness for as many years as I knew him and would sometimes try to seek refuge in or around the Masjid. Now anyone reading this who goes to any Masjid would not be surprised to hear that he was more often than not turned away or chased off. I'm not saying, without reason sometimes. Peter was a very difficult man to deal with at times, but I can honestly say that in many cases, questions weren't always asked. As soon as there was someone seen to be setting up a sleeping bag near the Masjid, it was all hands on deck to get rid of this person. I wonder to myself how I would feel if I had nowhere to go and I went to the Masjid seeking sanctuary only to be chased away.

This sad story should serve as a lesson to us that the pain some people are living with can be unbearable. As we continue to help and provide support we keep this man in the back of our minds and presume that many of our clients may very well be on the edge. The question then becomes what we can do in the future to help possibly prevent someone else from such a fate. As a result of this experience as an organization we are now strengthening our networks with people and organizations providing counselling and psychiatric support and trying to more actively connect the dots and making referrals for our clients to support services.

In closing, one lesson we can take from the sad story of Peter is to take the time to ask if someone is okay the next time we see somebody on the street, or if we see someone in a bad way near the Masjid. We should change our intention from how I can get this person to leave or how can I avoid this person, to how can I help this person.

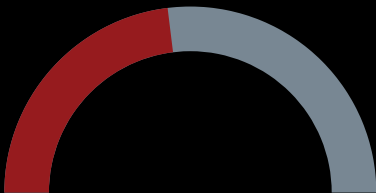
May Allah have mercy on all those who are reaching out for help and may Allah grant us the true insight, understanding and ability to help those who seek help. May Allah grant Aafiyah to one and all.

"We should change our intention from how can I get this person to leave or how can I avoid this person to how can I help this person."



17,749

No. of persons who migrated to Australia 5 years before the 2016 Census and were homeless on Census night



46.1

Persons per 10'000 of the population in QLD were homeless on Census night (2016)



+/- 60%

Of homeless people were aged under 35 years on Census night (2016)

Source: www.abs.gov.au (stats taken from the 2016 Census data)



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TREASURER'S REPORT

Sally Kuyateh



I am pleased to report that the Muslim Charitable Foundation's (MCF) finances remain in a healthy state, thanks to the kind and generous donations from the community.

Queensland at a glance

The Covid-19 pandemic continued to cause loss of lives and livelihood for many families throughout the world and created immense uncertainty in the day-to-day life of the people. In addition, in Queensland, we had four major weather events that caused widespread destruction to people's lives and livelihood:

- Central, Southern and Western Queensland Rainfall and flooding, *10 November – 3 December 2021*
- Ex- Tropical Cyclone Seth, *29 December 2021 – 10 January 2022*
- Southeast Queensland Rainfall and Flooding, *22 February – 5 April 2022*
- Southern Queensland Flooding, *6 – 20 May 2022*



More than 500,000 people were affected by the floods in some way with an estimated human and social cost of \$4.5billion. The impact to homes and commercial businesses has been estimated at \$2 billion with approximately 18,000 homes or businesses impacted. (As per Deloitte Report which can be found at <https://statements.qld.gov.au/statements/95831>)

MCF volunteers and Management Committee Members were out in the community helping people in need. Emergency accommodation was provided to single mothers and families at the residence of the Foundation. In addition, rent, food, clothing, and medical assistance were also offered.

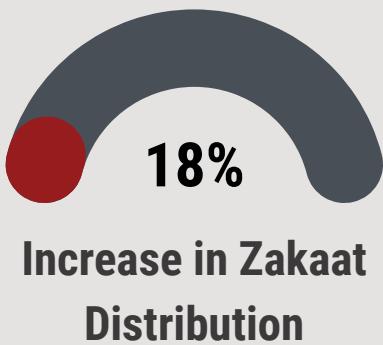
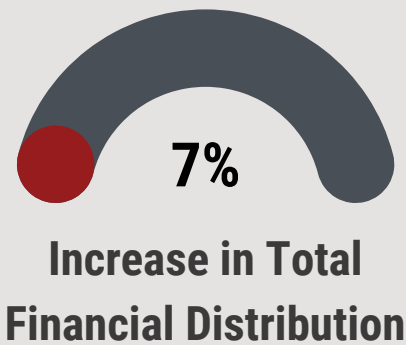
MCF continued to partner with other reputable organisations such as Muslim Aid Australia, Islamic Council of Queensland, Red Cross, Multicultural Australia, Mindle Bygul Aboriginal Corporation based in Deception Bay, Merciful Servants, World Wellness Group, and the Muslim Community. The continuous partnerships have provided a very positive outcome that MCF is a trusted and reliable organisation to work with.

The income from Zakaat, Emergency and General Accounts increased slightly thanks to the continued efforts of the Management Committee members and volunteers who, with all the challenges of the ongoing Covid-19 and the floods, came up with innovative ways of continuing to raise funds and educate the community about the good work that MCF is doing to help the less unfortunate in our local community.

On the expenditure side there are always unexpected environment and human disasters that occur that require our support. The number of local clients requiring support for rent, electricity, vehicle registration, medical expenses, food, educational expenses and living expenses has continued to increase. Our total distribution for the year increased by 7% compared to last financial year and the major increase is in the Zakaat distribution that increased by 18%.

Our external auditor McFillin Audit Services resigned during the year and a new external auditor was appointed. Norcrest Business Services undertook the 2022 financial year audit and confirmed that the financial reports have been prepared, in accordance with Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 and they are satisfied that the audit evidence that they obtained is sufficient and appropriate for them to provide an except for qualified opinion. I am confident that we will be able to continue the good work of meeting the identified needs within the community and that the financial report gives a true and accurate account of our financial management practices.

Last but not least, I wish to thank the community for its continued support in helping us help others. The work we do is all voluntary and purely for the sake of Allah. We humbly request for your continued support. May Allah reward you and your families for your support and may he give you much, much more in the hereafter.



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Account No. 2096 3614



COTTAGE STORE

Fatima Gutta



Muslim Charitable Foundation provides much needed basic food items to those less fortunate. We wish to thank the community for their generous donations.

May Allah reward you and your families abundantly for your ongoing support to enable us to obtain these food items and to all the volunteers who assist MCF in packing the items into shelves and boxes for distribution.



RAISING FUNDS TO FEED THE HOMELESS



Volunteers from Muslim Charitable Foundation, MAA International and Merciful Servants partnered in October 2021 to sell food and drinks at the Mosaic Festival which was organised by Multicultural Australia.

All profits made on the day were used towards the local homelessness feeding project. Thanks to everyone who had supported this initiative on the day.





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GOOD NEWS STORY

Fatima Al Talabany was born in war-torn Iraq with Spina Bifida. Her father managed to escape with his wife and two children. His life was in danger, as he already lost his parents and sister who were killed by the new regime. They found their way to Turkey where he left his wife and youngest daughter and brought little Fatima with him to Australia by boat, with the aim of finding good medical treatment for her.



Australia did not look favourably on refugees who jumped the queue. However, due to Fatima's medical condition they were removed from Christmas Island to Woodridge in Logan City. In spite of the dedicated care given to her by her father, Fatima fretted for her mother as she was only three years of age when she came to Australia. Fatima had to totally depend on her father for care as she was mostly confined to her bed or wheelchair.

It was not easy adapting to a new country, after the trauma of coming by boat and living for a short time on Christmas Island and having so many health issues. Fortunately for Fatima and her father, they met Janeth Deen from the Muslim Charitable Foundation who told them there was a caring Muslim community in the area and MCF would help where possible. Also the Family of Ferhaad Osman took particular interest in helping support little Fatima and her father. As Fatima started to grow, she told her father that she was growing up and needed her mother to help dress her and change her nappies.

Her life span is limited due to her medical condition. Just before her tenth birthday, on the initiative of the Osman family, MCF and other donors, money was raised to send Fatima and her father to visit her mother and sister in Turkey. On her return Fatima had a major spinal operation in the Children's hospital. Her mother Sarah and sister Zahraa had applied to the UNHCR as refugees to come to Australia when they arrived in Turkey and had to wait their turn to be considered.

The father was separated from Fatima due to unforeseen circumstances and she was taken over by Child Protection for the last three years. Fatimah had to be tube-fed and needed special care. and she has slowly gained good health and attends Woodridge State High School and has many friends. Fatima appealed for help in a Youtube message to help bring her family to care for her as she misses her mother so much,

At long, last Fatima has reason to be joyful. Her mother and sister have been brought to Woodridge in September 2022 and Fatima spends the day with them on Saturdays. The Osman family and Janeth Deen, on behalf of MCF are back in Fatima's life, doing the best to help them settle, after Multicultural Australia had set them up in the house in Woodridge. Fatima is just waiting for Child protection to place her in her mother's care and the father is awaiting a new visa to be released from detention to be back with his family.

Thanks to the Australian government for all the medical treatment and care Fatima had received and for uniting the mother and sister and the devotion of the Osman family and MCF, little Fatima has some quality of life to live out the remaining years of her life.

For a little girl born in a war-torn country, with major disabilities, coming to Australia as a refugee, separated from her mother at an early age, she has weathered the storm and faces the future with her family, united at last. Allah be praised for giving her so much courage to weather the storm.

QURAN PACKS

Over the last six (6) years, Muslim Charitable Foundation has sponsored Quran packs for new Muslims. Imtiaz Mahomedy from MCF hands over the packs to Imran Price who will distribute the Quran Gift Packs.



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FOOD DISTRIBUTION TO THE HOMELESS



Muslim Charitable Foundation volunteers partnered with Merciful Servants to pack and distribute food items in Roma Street Parklands to people who are experiencing homelessness



NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2022



Members of MCF attend a function for National Reconciliation Week 2022

ASYLUM SEEKER HEALTHCARE



MCF partnered with World Wellness Group in November 2021 to contribute towards the costs for medications, pathology, radiology, optometry and dentistry towards Medicare ineligible people seeking asylum.



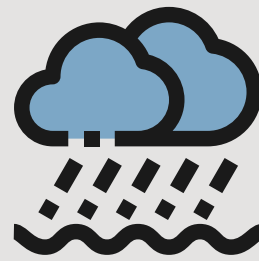
Rita Prasad-Ildes (Managing Director - World Wellness Group) handing over a certificate of appreciation to MCF volunteers Aunty Janeth Deen, Fatima Gutta, Osman Rane and Yusuf Khatree.



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FLOODS IN QUEENSLAND



Towards the end of February and early March 2022, parts of Queensland were severely impacted by flooding due to heavy rainfall and storms which caused great damage to businesses, farms and homes.

Some areas which were affected by the floods had to be evacuated and many homes were without electricity or damaged.

In March 2022, volunteers from MCF, Merciful Servants, MAA International and students and teachers from the Australian International Islamic College (AIIC) joined together to provide meals to the residents and volunteers in Goodna.

The volunteers also assisted residents with the clean up by removing items that had been destroyed, removing water from homes, cleaning up homes and loading destroyed items into trucks for disposal.



FLOODS IN QUEENSLAND



Volunteers from Muslim Charitable Foundation, Merciful Servants and MAA International with Ipswich Deputy Mayor, Nicole Jonic (Middle) in Goodna, visiting residents affected by the Queensland Floods.

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

thank
★ you ★

Some of the messages of appreciation received by MCF (Names removed for confidentiality)

Dear Osman

Many thanks to MCF for all the assistance and accommodation received in our hour of need.

We all really appreciate it and we would like to donate to the MCF for the timely generosity so that MCF can continue to help people in need.

Yours Sincerely

Salam Osman,

I hope you are keeping well and safe.

I wanted to inform you that today is my last day at Red Cross.

I am writing to say thank you so much for all the support you have provided to my clients and you have always accepted all my referrals and always keen to support.

Your support has prevented many of my clients from risk of becoming homeless, and helped clients with significant mental health conditions, escape domestic violence, chronic health conditions, children at risk and many more.

Words cannot explain how thankful I am to MCF and words cannot explain how much difference your support made to my clients and families.

May Allah (SWT) grant you and your team and all donors all the great things in this life and hereafter InshaAllah.

Thank you so much

Many Thanks,

(From a member of the Asylum Seeker Assistance Program)

OUR CONTACT DETAILS



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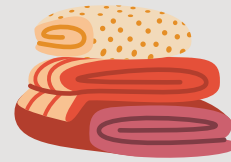


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BLANKET DRIVE



This winter seemed like the coldest winter experienced. MCF ran a blanket drive to help those in need. Thanks to the generosity of the community and a donation from the Bank of Queensland (Alexandra Hills), we were able to provide much needed warmth to many.



If you require a trusted service provider that puts the needs of the participant first



Empathy
Community Services

Call us on 1300 755 064
admin@empathycommunityservices.com.au

Empathy Community Services is a culturally oriented and person-centered disability service provider with great customer service. We focus on individual needs with zero tolerance for abuse and neglect and support you to live your best life. We offer personalised service to suit the needs of the participant in a friendly and professional manner.

Our services Includes:

- Respite and short-term accommodation
- Community and Social Access
- Daily Life task
- Community Nursing
- Plan Management
- Life skill development



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HOUSEHOLD GOODS



We would like to thank members and families in the community for their generous donations of household goods such as furniture and household appliances which MCF then distribute to families who require the items. We would also like to thank the volunteers who assist us with the loading, delivery and offloading of these items.



Muslim Charitable Foundation (MCF) is a registered charity. To view our details on the ACNC portal, visit www.mcfaustralia.org.au and click on the ACNC logo on our website, alternatively visit the ACNC website on www.acnc.gov.au/charityregister



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: OSMAN RANE (OAM)

In December 2022, a member of MCF, Osman Rane was awarded the Australian Muslim Achievement Awards (AMAA) Volunteer of the Year. Congratulations to Osman Rane.



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PAKISTAN FLOODS



We have all heard about the devastating floods which had affected Pakistan. Reports that came through were that it was worse than what was shown on the news.

Muslim Charitable Foundation, MAA International and Merciful Servants partnered to arrange much needed support to those affected.



PALESTINE EMERGENCY SUPPORT

Due to the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Palestine, many families in Gaza struggle to afford enough food to meet their basic needs.

During the month of Ramadan, MCF partnered with MAA to deliver an essential food distribution program to help alleviate food insecurity and malnutrition in Gaza, Palestine. Through the distribution of food, thousands of beneficiaries were provided with a much-needed source of nourishment.



SUPPORTING QLD PATHWAYS COLLEGE

Queensland Pathways State College offers a senior transition program for 15 to 17 year olds who face significant barriers in accessing mainstream education.

In the Image below, MCF volunteer, Fawzia Batty handing over food hampers to the QLD Pathways State College - Goodna Campus Team.





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EMERGENCY HOUSING PROJECT

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