

Murfreesboro Muslim Youth GOOD. PROUD. ACTIVE.



MURFREESBORO MUSLIM YOUTH

1st Annual Report 2015

OUR DEEPEST THANKS

- Alhamdullah, Thank God, is the best way to describe our first year!
- Our vision was to see our youth developing leadership and social skills via community work, fostering a sense of selflessness by helping others, and being able to distinguish needs around them in order to provide a solution, all while having full pride in their faith, which directs and dictates such actions.
- Thus far, we have cooked and served hundreds of meals, we have collected and distributed thousands of cans of food, and we have given away clothing and school supplies to those in need. We have helped refugees as well as our local Islamic Center and have continued to show kindness to those in our community who are underprivileged.
- This book will share the facts and figures with you that we are proud of.
 However, it cannot show you the friendships we have forged, the trust we
 have built, the smiles we have drawn, the skills we have developed, the
 goodness we have fostered, and, most importantly, the lives of strangers that
 we have touched. We have worked to initiate and maintain an atmosphere
 that promotes actionable faith.
- We have learned that our youth are blessed with having the knowledge, resources, heart, and creativity to carry the responsibility of their faith and serve the community we live in with pride and integrity.
- Your help is one of the main elements of success that we have. Thank you, and we hope for that to continue in our upcoming years.
- Together, we have a lot more to do, many obstacles to overcome, and many lessons to learn. Together, we must recognize the role people of conscious have to further the values and principles of common good work.

But we rely on the Ultimate Helper, God; as long as we stay with Him, he will be there for Us. We direct our intentions to Him, and we know that no One gives a better reward than God. May God accept our work, may He grant us success in this life and the hereafter.

Abdou Kattih 12-25-2015

ABOUT MMY



WHO ARE WE?

MMY is an autonomous, incorporated, non-profit entity founded in February of 2015 following the brutal slaying of three Muslim youth in Chapel Hill, NC (The Three Winners).

We were incorporated on July 2015 in Tennessee as a nonprofit religious organization dedicated to supporting our youth and community services. We ARE NOT a 501c organization.

WHY WERE WE ESTABLISHED?

From the Chapel Hill tragedy, we have taken heed of many lessons—namely, the importance of reviving Islamic action for the improvement of the collective social condition.

In addition to fulfilling the need for structured development and a support network for young people in the community, the Murfreesboro Muslim Youth has worked to achieve collective societal improvement by utilizing the youth's involvement and ideas.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to help connect, develop, grow, learn from, and educate our youth of all age groups through community service and working together.

OUR OBJECTIVES

Our objective is to provide our youth with opportunities to engage in activities that will serve the community we live in, foster relationships with one another, and enhance the good nature in each other, all while developing a sense of pride in their Muslim identity.

2015 IN NUMBERS

Over 300 back to school items. Over 2500 meals to the needy.

Over 75 Events.

Over 20 donations to local causes.

Over \$1500 in ICM supplies.

MMY 2015 Over 3000 Cans of food.

Over 4500 Homeless items

Over 500 volunteer hours

Over 8000 pounds of aid to Refugees.

Over 1000 items to families in need.

2015 ACTIVITIES

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

MMY provides our youth with opportunities to improve the society they live in while building their own character, skills, and knowledge in the realm of social justice, advocacy,



- leadership, organization, and fundamentals of positive social reformation.
- ➤ We also encourage, support, and finance the engagement of our youth in local & regional conferences as well as training that helps build their character.

FUN & FAMILY EVENTS

- In 2015, we provided nearly monthly fun or family activity. Potlucks, bowling, trips, laser tags, arcade, and more.
- Through these events, we helped create friendships, build trust, and enhance the sense of pride in one's faith.
- We also helped to establish bonds between family members by providing an opportunity for kids to interact with their parents in a healthy environment.

FEEDING THE NEEDY (FEEDING OUR COMMUNITY)

- We provided over 2500 meals in 2015 to people in Murfreesboro.
- We provide dinner on the last Saturday of almost each month to a handful of local shelters.
- We also provided sacked lunched to individuals outside of the designated shelters.

MMY Feeding The Needy



- We worked with other faith groups such as Meals on wheels and other local faith-based community centers
- During Ramadan 2015, we provided lunch every day to two locals shelters, one being a local domestic violence shelter.

FOOD BANK HELP

- We provided over 3000 cans of food to the local food bank in 2015.
- We established a biannual canned food drive to benefit the local food bank.
- In addition, our volunteers have continued to help with man power whenever the food bank is in need.



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WE CARE!

- ❖ In 2015, we helped over 20 local causes, aided many families with direct needs, and provided over 4500 personal care items to the local homeless population.
- We have continued to reach out to and help local families after major accidents or tragedies whenever possible.
- We have worked with other faith and community groups to distribute personal care kits and other items to the homeless in schools and in the community around us.
- We actively take part of local causes that will benefit our community.

BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE / HELP THEM SUCCEED

- > In 2015, we provided over 300 back-to-school items to local kids.
- Help Them Succeed, our back to school supplies drive, was established to collect supplies to better equip kids in local schools who are underprivileged. This drive takes place in August of each year.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING

- ✓ In 2015, we spent over 500 hours volunteering in our local community. From shelters, to food bank, local charities, ICM, and more.
- ✓ The MMY young men and women volunteer in local activities and nonprofit causes whenever the need arises.





INTERFAITH WORK

- In 2015, we worked hard to build bridges and tear down walls between community members of different faiths.
- We also open most of our fun activities to people from other faiths to join us.
- ➤ We held a "love Your Neighbor" potluck to bring our community together. The event attracted over 250 people.



HELPING THE ISLAMIC CENTER OF MURFREESBORO

 In 2015, we purchased a freezer, two vacuums, supplies during Ramadan and built the bonfire area and benches.



• We will try our best to help our local Islamic Center with their needs, ranging from donations to volunteering time.

REFUGEES HELP / HOME AWAY FROM HOME

- ❖ In 2015, we provided over 8000 pounds of aid to refugees.
- We set up a support system to help refugees arriving to middle Tennessee have a better start.
- We also actively help other organizations providing help to refugees in areas around.



CLOTHES GIVE AWAY

 In 2015, we held a free clothes give away during Ramadan. We distributed over 200 pieces of clothes. Then the rest of the clothes were shared with local charities to give to the clients they serve.



We will hold at least one clothes give away a year.

FAST-A-THON

 In 2015, we held fast a thon during Ramadan. We raised around \$1100. The money was used to help the local food bank and Syrian Refugees.



 We will hold at least one fast-a-thon event a year to benefit local charities.

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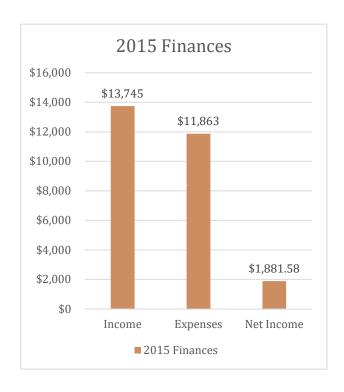
➤ Annually, The Murfreesboro Muslim Youth will help the Murfreesboro competitors in Mist: The Muslim Inter-Scholastic Tournament (MIST)™

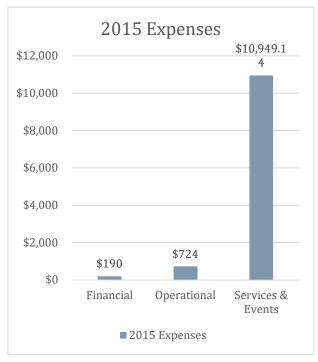
MUCH MORE WAS DONE IN 2015!

- > We built the ICMTimeline.com website to illustrate and document the struggle of building our Islamic center.
- ➤ Library outreach in order to keep the local library stocked with publications that contain an accurate portrayal of Islam.
- > We hosted several other events, including, but not limited to:
 - o All-nighters for the youth during Ramadan.
 - Joint weekly iftar (breaking fast) for the youth during Ramadan.

2015 FINANCIALS as of 12-22-2015.

Total Donations	\$13,745.00		
Financial Expenses			
Bank Fees	29.26		
Credit Card Fees	0.49		
Financial Software	151.40		
Paypal Fees	8.91		
Total Financial	\$190.06		
Expenses Operational Expenses			
Legal, Taxes	104.25		
Office	15.06		
Online Presence	74.50		
Promotional/Printing			
Shipping, & P.O.Box	383.41 147.00		
Total Operational	147.00		
Expenses	\$724.22		
Services & Events			
Back to School	133.37		
Canned Food	691.96		
Charitable Contributions	625.00		
Interfaith/Events	859.16		
Feeding the Needy	1,459.09		
Other Events	911.10		
Personal Care/We			
Care	2,230.27		
Services to ICM	1,593.37		
Refugees Help (HAFH)	2,445.82		
Total Services & Events	\$10,949.14		
Total Expenditures	\$ 11,863.42		
Net Revenue	\$1881.58		





2016 BUDGET FORCAST

This is a financial forecast for 2016. It includes basic plans as well as a preliminary budget. It does not include any asset purchases, occupancy fees, and major unexpected needs.

Category	Sub Category	Monthly Budget	Annual Budget
Financial Expenses	Bank Fees, credit card fees, software, accountants.	\$50	\$600
Operational Expenses	Legal, License, shipping, Online Presence, Administration, and printing, signs.	\$150	\$1800
Services & Events	Back to School	\$50	\$600
	Canned Food	\$100	\$1200
	Charitable Contributions	\$100	\$1200
	Interfaith/Events	\$200	\$2400
	Feeding the Needy	\$200	\$2400
	Other Events	\$125	\$1500
	Personal Care/We Care	\$225	\$2700
	Services to ICM	\$75	\$900
	Refugees Help (HAFH)	\$175	\$2100
	New Services	\$200	\$2400
Total			\$19,800.00

2016 NEW SERVICES

- We plan to maintain and expand the quantity and quality of the basic services and activities we currently do.
- New recurring Services in 2016:

ADOPT A HWY

 We will sponsor a portion of Bradyville Highway and clean it several times a year.

LITTLE LIBRARY

 We will place several Little Libraries in key underserved areas. We will stock them with books and replenish them as needed.

TUTORING CONNECTION

 We will create and maintain a system to connect tutors with those who need tutoring within the Murfreesboro area.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

- We will volunteer with the habitat for humanity on a regular basis.
- We will work on getting accredited as a partner with them.

MTSU SCHOLARSHIP

- We will work on developing and implementing a scholarship program at MTSU.
- Initial budget is \$1000 a year.

Much More

Our work is based on our youth ideas and work progress. New ideas may emerge and become a reality in 2016.

TESTIMONIALS

This great group shows me through their deeds and actions that they truly care about Murfreesboro and especially the homeless whom so many seem to have forgotten. They are true community youth leaders!

Dixie S.

MMY changed my life, by making me come to the masjid and helping others for Allah not for other people.

Malik A.

MMY is an inspiring group. Their community service to help those most in need is an example for all.

Sara M.

Because I know you, I do not fear. I am grateful to know you. Chin up, keep those kiddos holding their heads high so they can be proud of their faith.

Nancy T.

MMY has helped me become a more self-driven, & independent individual.

Anas H.

MMY gave us an opportunity to partake in activities we never thought we would ever do.

Dana S.

Through MMY, I have learned how to trust and be trusted by my community member's and I believe this lesson is essential for a growing community.

Salim S.

Joining MMY was the best decision I ever made. It has given me a boost of encouragement to become involved in my community.

Dareen A.

The love and care the MMY has shown our community changed my views on Islam and Muslims. Thank you!

Mary S.

This is one of the best experience with a wonderful group of Muslims. We have so much and I feel better being with them.

Zaid S.

CALL TO ACTION



DONATE

Donations will help our programs and activities keep going. You may donate online (MurfreesboroMuslimYouth.org) or by check to our address listed below.

You may also donate items as we need them.

ATTEND

Our work is open to everyone. Please bring your children or teens to join us. You may also attend if you do not have any youth.



YOUR FEEDBACK/WE LISTEN

Your feedback is most valuable to us. Please send us suggestions, feedback, compliments, criticism, ideas, or anything else you would like.... You can email us or message us on Facebook.

Email: MurfreesboroMuslimYouth@gmail.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/mmy2015/



STAY UP TO DATE

We will contact you in the way that best fits your lifestyle.

Join our Facebook group, text alerts, or email list.

You may join any or all on our website address listed below.



VOLUNTEER

Volunteer with us. We will call you when we have a need. Many of our volunteering opportunities could count towards community service hours.

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YOUR HELP IS WHY WE ARE HERE















