# Bismillah Aid ANNUAL REPORT 2019

# Help us, to help the needy



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# Introduction

#### **Introduction**

The Bismillah Aid Annual report for year ended 31 December 2019.

Bismillah Aid is an international NGO, established in the U.K in 2004. We are a growing UK registered charity, working in Pakistan, Kashmir, South Africa and India, but we hope to expand further into other countries.

Motivated by our faith in Islam, Bismillah Aid serves the poor and impoverished as a demonstration of the Islamic ideal of helping the less fortunate. Bismillah Aid works under the guidance of scholars who ensure that everything is being run according to the sharia of our beloved Prophet (Sallahu Alayhe Wa Sallam meaning the Zakat, Sadaqa, Lillah etc. is given to the right places and to the right people.

Bismillah Aid has been dependant on volunteer support in order to fulfil the objectives, vision, mission and to carry out its activities. The Trustees would like to thank all those who have volunteered their time to Bismillah Aid.

Our Vision	Our Mission
To make world free from poverty based on the principles of the Holy Prophet (Sallahu Alayhe Wa Sallam). Who would not look at whose son it was and who it is nor how bad they are, they would give help to everyone and Alhamdulillah this is how Islam grew so vast with over 2.2 Billion Muslims in the world; which is around about one third of the whole world population. Our vision is to replicate those attitudes and ideals.	To help serve and support the less fortunate and to make their world better and give them the opportunity to succeed. - Mohammed Imran

## Iftari project 2019



Ramadhan is a special time for every Muslim old or young, all around the

> world take a step back from their daily routines and focus on community, charity, fasting and prayer. Since 2004, Bismillah Aid has been supporting and serving poor and needy families.

Prophet Muhammad PBUH said: "Whoever gives iftar to one who is fasting will have a reward like his, without detracting from the reward of the fasting person in the slightest".

Whether they are refugees who have their homes and livelihoods, widows

lost

who are struggling to provide for their children, or families devastated by war and conflict, they will be going hungry well beyond iftar time.

In this month of seeking forgiveness, losing the weight of our sins by abstaining, providing, and serving, Bismillah Aid has been ensuring that the needy stay nourished and healthy during the blessed month of Ramadhan.

Year in year out, Yearly, Bismillah Aid provided Food Rations and Gift Packs to associates NGO Bismillah Welfare Trust. Food ration included daily used products such as Flour, Ghee (Butter, Daals (Lentils), Sugar, Dry Milk, Rice, and other necessary stuff. NGO Bismillah Welfare Trust then distributed these food and gift packs amongst the hundreds of poor, needy, and poverty-stricken families, and orphaned children in the region of districts throughout the world.

Therefore, Bismillah Aid has arranged for our community in the U.K. to help everyone maximize their donations and good deeds, by helping us through our packs, providing for an entire family.

## Water pumps project 2019

Clean water is not a mere commodity but a basic human right. The lack of safe water sanitations has long been a concern for the world's third world countries, which has resulted in the death of over two million people every year due to water related disease.

One of the quickest and easiest ways to provide drinking water is by digging a well or creating a water pump. It is also the most cost-efficient way, which makes water wells an immensely popular choice in third world countries. They provide water on a small scale, but larger wells and electric powered pumps provide drinking water for a greater amount of people.

One of the ways to provide residents with access to this water is by digging wells and installing water pumps. We undertake such projects whenever there is a serious need. Recently, our projects have been concentrated in Pakistan.

The main objective of this project is to provide ease and comfort to locals through our water pumps. Basically, the benefits and objectives of building this consists of:

**To promote education:** when children are free from the task of gathering water, they return to class. With proper and safe latrines, girls stay in school through their teenage years.

**To promote health:** safe water, clean hands, and healthy bodies. Dirty water equates to sickness, sickness is time lost, this is reduced, and people can get back to the work of lifting themselves out of poverty.

**To relieve hunger:** access to water leads to food security. With less crop loss, hunger is reduced. Families can feed themselves, reducing living costs.

**To relieve poverty:** water can break the cycle of poverty. The communities we serve are ready to grow, they grow through our help and guidance.

**To provide for wherever there is the most need:** helping the neediest in the quickest time possible, relieving one struggle of many.

This year, the Bismillah Aid team decided to extend relations with our close friends: Muslim Charity.

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### Crystal Plaza Project: Peace conference (PC)

Bismillah in 2019, decided to hold a key event for the community within the Crystal Hall Plaza (in Birmingham) and hopefully marks the first of many to come. Within this event Bismillah Aid promoted a deeper understanding of community cohesion and sort to inspire a concentrated an effort for peace in these dire times. The chosen theme by our trustee was: 'Islam equal Peace', just as the Prophet Muhammed Peace be Upon Him had said: *"Spread peace amongst yourselves"*.

Within this event, more than 300 guests attended this unique event, including many prominent scholars, faith, and civic leaders. Guest had the opportunity to be given an orthodox view of Islam, various dignitaries had given a short blissful speech and the highlight of the event was when our chairman Shaykh Mohammed Imran addressed everyone in a beautiful manner.

A snippet of Shaykh Mohammed Imrans' speech during the PC: "We passionately believe that there lies enormous potential for conflict resolution through unmediated dialogue and discussion, viewing it as a force to spread the profound possibility of global harmony. The conference is idealistic. This is what gives it its power. We aim to spark activism and initiative among youth".

## **UK Iftari project**

Since 2004 Bismillah Aid has been feeding people. In 2019, Bismillah Aid decided to take this further.

Bismillah Aid invited students, parents, wider community, and our elderly to partake in this project. Completely free to attend, Bismillah Aid had 30-45 regulars of different faiths and beliefs being fed. In the evening, guests got the opportunity to listen to Nasheeds and Quran being recited, followed by eating and then praying the Maghrib prayer, collectively.

Whilst feeding is an achievement, we felt an even greater sense of accomplishment from having people from all walks of life breaking their fasts side by side with water and dates. Everyone sitting on the ground, sharing their meal with people of all walks of life.

## "UK Iftari project is about feeding and bringing our community together. In these challenging times when families struggle to make ends meet". – Saifullah Farid

### **British Imam Project**

From giving our names when we are born, to saying the final rights over our bodies at our Janazah, our imams are an essential part of every milestone of our lives. As the leader of the community, he is not only tasked with leading the 5 daily prayers, but is responsible for introducing our children to Islam, advising our youth about life's major decisions, patching up broken marriages, feeding the hungry, guiding the sinner to find absolution, giving hope to the hopeless; all with the ultimate aim of reconnecting everyone back to their Lord.

The Imam ideally is supposed to be a confident, strong, passionate individual but unfortunately due to circumstances the Imam is usually underpaid, underdeveloped, overworked and lacking in passion. Many complain about Imams and Imams complain about their state, however very few are trying to remedy the situation.

In 2019, Bismillah Aid embarked on a subsidiary project of British Imam, with the aim of supporting our youth, by providing Imams with knowledge of religious, societal, and British values. It was decided that we will put aside funds to support a capable teacher: Dr. Hafiz Ather Hussain Al-Azhari.

Dr. Hafiz Ather Hussain Al-Azhari is a model of an excelling imam, who is an Imam, researcher, and writer. Teaching since 2003, across a variety of platforms: primary and secondary School, seminaries, Mosques, and universities. Holding 5 degrees from 3 different continents, in religious and secular subjects. Also publishing several books and selling thousands.

Allah All-mighty said: "The example of those who spend their wealth in the way of Allah is like a seed [of grain] which grows seven spikes; in each spike is a hundred grains. And Allah multiplies [His reward] for whom He wills. And Allah is all-Encompassing and Knowing". (The Noble Quran 2:261)

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#### Qurbani project 2019

We would like to thank all the generous donors of Bismillah Aid for placing your trust in us to implement your Qurbani donations this year. We pray Allah SWT rewards you abundantly for your generous donations. :)

Thanks to your donations, we were able to feed thousands of vulnerable families around the world during Eid-ul-Adha, year after year.

Fulfilling one's religious duty and feeding the poor at the time of Eid-ul-Adha.

Qurbani (Udhiya) is not only a religious duty on Muslims ordained by Allah and practised by Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) and his companions, but it is also a wonderful opportunity for Muslims to help their fellow humans who are suffering from abject poverty around the world.



This year in September 2019, through the generous contributions of our donors, Bismillah Aid was able to help provide more than 17,000 meals around the world to needy families at the time of Eid-ul-Adha.

Bringing happiness and smiles to the faces of widows struggling to raise their children, oldaged people with disabilities facing hunger and children affected by disasters and wars.

#### Jamia Al-Karam sponsor

Shaykh Muhammad Imdad – founder ad principal of Jamia al-Karam said:

"Our elders planted date palms and we ate their fruits. If today we do not plant these date palms, from where will our coming generations eat?"

The team at Bismillah Aid decided to further their efforts in providing Islamic knowledge for the future generation through Islamic sponsorship and imam training provided at the esteem Jamia Al-Karam.

Throught these educational initiatives, Bismillah Aid alongside Jamia Al-Karam will produce positive results for the British Muslim community. Bismillah Aid strives to acquire unique place in the hearts and minds of the British Muslim and numerous communities throughout the country.

## **Volunteers**

The volunteers at Bismillah Aid have generated amazing enthusiasm and excitement has led us to set up many activities like street collections, door to door collections, cutting my hair for charity, dinners, social get to togethers and fundraising on JustGiving: in cities such as, Birmingham, Leicester, Derby, Luton, London, Manchester and many more cities: with all this happening in the past few months across the United Kingdom Bismillah Aid is expecting much more actions in the coming year.

# **Financial Statements**

#### STATEMENTS

Below are several transactions by Bismillah Aid for a certain purpose.

#### SUMMARY DESCRIPTION AMOUNT (£) **Bank Charges** 71 3500 **Bismillah Welfare** Catering 152 Depreciation 956 502 Heat and light Merchant 1073 **Project - Coaches** 350 Project - Crystal Plaza 6000 Project - Iftari project 1480 Project - Imam project 2439 Project - Jamia Al-Karam sponsor 1500 Project - Qurbani 2000 Project - Water relief 1650 PPSA 4908 Rent rates and insurance 1421 Repair 1525 Tv License 155 Wages 17552

#### **INCOME AND OUTCOME OF 2019**

DESCRIPTION	DATE	INCOME	EXPENDITURE
Account Summary	28 <sup>th</sup> of December 2018 to 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2019	£43,265	£47,234

# Accountant breakdown

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#### INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31.12.2019

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			£
Income/Dor	nations		43265
Less:			
I	Bismillah Welfare	3500	
I	Merchant	1073	
I	Projects	15420	
I	PPSA	4908	
I	Bank Charges	71	
I	Repairs	1525	
I	Rent Rates & Ins	1421	
I	Heat & Light	502	
	Catering	152	
	TV License	155	
	Wages	17552	
I	Depreciation	956	
			47234
NET LOSS	FOR THE YEAR	_	-3969

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#### BALANCE SHEET as at 31.12.2019

#### Fixed Assets

	Property	Other	Fixtures & Fittings £	Motor Vehicle	Total
At beginning of period	141989	0	6375	0	148364
Additions		0	0	0	0
Disposals Depreciation	0	0	956	0	0 956
At end of period	141989	0		0	147408
Current Assets					
Cash at Bank				7285	
				_	7285
					154693
Less: Current Liabilities					
Creditors & Accruals				1249	
			_		1249
					153444
				_	
Accumulated funds					
Balance b/f					157413
Add:				-3969	

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# **Contact Information**

#### INTERNAL MANAGER

Saifullah Farid Tel 07707 769 018

## Bismillah Aid

HSBC bank account name: Bismillah Aid Branch ID code: MIDLGB2119T Sort Code: 40-11-37 Account Number: 01423835 Charity Reg. Number: 1105439 Contact Number: 07816 206 702 Website: www.Bismillahaid.org