



September 20, 2019

Dear Brothers & Sisters of Ohio: Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullah Wa Barkatuh.

Members

*Abubakar Asiddiq
Islamic Center*

*Ahiska Turkish American
Community Center*

*Akron Masjid
CAIR, Ohio*

Dayton Mercy Society

*Greater Dayton
Islamic Foundation*

*Islamic Association of
Cincinnati*

*Islamic Center of
Cleveland*

*Islamic Center of
Greater Toledo*

Islamic Center of Peace

*Islamic Foundation of
Central Ohio*

*Islamic Society of
Akron & Kent*

*Islamic Society of
Greater Columbus*

*Islamic Society of
Greater Dayton*

*Islamic Society of
Greater Youngstown*

*Islamic Society of
Mansfield*

*Jaffery Union of
North East Ohio*

Masjid Saad Foundation

My Project USA

*Toledo Muslim
Community Center*

*Uqbah Mosque
Foundation*

I hope this letter reaches you and your family in good health, comfort and strong Iman. Since the founding in 1985, the Islamic Council of Ohio (ICO) has achieved a praise worthy record of services to Ohio Muslim communities to ensure that their voice is heard and understood within Ohio government, interfaith circles and society at large. ICO is the ONLY organization which speaks for Muslims of Ohio from north to south and east to west. It has opened dialogue with friends, co-workers, neighbors, and others. Some of the main achievements are as follows:

1. Proclamation of ISLAMIC DAY IN OHIO by Governor Richard Celeste in 1987, and Governor George V. Voinovich in 1991. It has been celebrated it on 2nd Saturday of October for the last 30 years in cities all over Ohio including Cincinnati, Columbus, Cleveland, Dayton, Toledo, & Youngstown.
2. Recognition of Muslim Holidays (EIDUL-FITR and EIDUL-ADHA) by the 121st General Assembly (Ohio Senate and Ohio House of Representatives).
3. Encouraged community and interfaith activities in all major cities in Ohio.
4. Arranged Imams and leaders of Islamic Centers to give invocations at the Ohio Senate and Ohio House of Representatives.
5. Met Ohio Governors, Senators, House of Representatives and other heads of Ohio Govt. and Mayors to discuss and solve some of the problems which we face even today.

The Board of Trustees wants you to know that ICO is registered as a non-profit organization with the State of Ohio and soon it will be with the Federal Government under 501(c)3. We would like to see young enthusiastic Muslim Ohioans, particularly sisters to unite and work together to lay a new foundation for ICO. That is why we want you to complete the enclosed Questionnaire(s) and send it back to us as soon as possible. This will help us form a new Executive Committee for 2020 and provide a guideline to govern in the immediate future. Thank you in advance for providing your advice in our effort to make ICO a better organization for all Muslims in Ohio.

Sincerely,
Dr. Mazhar Jalil
Chairman Board of Trustees

Members Board of Trustees
Habib Khan
Sohail Khan
Aisha Muhammad
Michael Orra

www.ic-ohio.org

1428 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH
43205



NOMINATION FORM

Nomination Deadline is December 1, 2019

Executive Committee Nominations:

The main goal of ICO is to unite Ohio's Muslim communities and promote the understanding of Islam with the Public-at-large. Any Muslim in Ohio can nominate someone for the Executive Committee for 2020-21. The position of President is extremely important and he/she must possess excellent communication skills. Please note: You may nominate yourself for a position.

President _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Vice President _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Treasurer _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Secretary _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Newsletter:

ICO is planning to have a quarterly digital newsletter, THE CRESCENT. Can you suggest a person in your community who may provide important news to the Editor.

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Invocation:

Do you know a prominent person/Imam who would like to give the Invocation in the Ohio Senate/Ohio House of Representatives?

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Interfaith & Community Relations:

ICO is looking for a person in your community who may lead a dialogue with People of the Books (Jews & Christians) and other faiths.

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____

Comments & Suggestions: