



Maintenance & Operation

AMA understands it is important to you that your donation goes to a charity that will invest it for the good of the Muslim community in Ottawa South. Through the two arms of our organization - Masjid ar-Rahmah and AMA Community Centre - we expanded upon our strengths to create meaningful change for the thousands of individuals and families we serve.

We bear a responsibility to put your generous gifts to optimal use, ensuring the Mosque and Centre operations and infrastructure can support our vision for providing quality programming & services. With the ever-growing demands of our community for more educational opportunities, social services, recreation, spiritual and community development, we continued to invest more resources to tackle the needs you identified with us.



THE NEED

Sustaining OUR masjid

Here is an overview of the major expense categories from our annual budget:

Utilities & Maintenance:

We have one of the largest mosques in Canada and a building of our size has its share of necessary costs to ensure proper upkeep of the facility.

Staffing:

We invest in our team of staff to handle the day-to-day operations of AMA. Our staff handle a multitude of roles from finance to marketing, administration to management, fundraising to outreach, and more.

Programs for the Community:

Each year we continue to deliver a diverse portfolio of programming for our children, youth, women, seniors, and families and individuals in crisis. Our programs focus on infusing a balance of recreation, socialization, education, spiritual and community development, and social service support for all ages.

General & administrative:

These are the additional costs associated with the running of our organization.

We deliver financial statements each year that are consistent with the Canadian accounting standards for charitable organizations, as shown in our annual reports we publish each year. Below is a summary of our annual expenses:

Masjid and Centre Operating costs: \$380,000

This includes maintenance, utilities and staffing costs.

Programs for the Community: \$194,000

Support to Other Charities: \$103,000

General & Administrative: \$65,000

Total Expenses: \$742,000

HOW CAN YOU HELP

Your contribution to support the community centre is vital in building our community and future generations. We know of the great importance of giving from a hadeeth of the Prophet (PBUH):

Allah's Messenger (saws) said, "Envy is not permissible except two men. A man whom Allah has given the knowledge of the Book and he recites it during the hours of the night, and a man whom Allah has given wealth, and he spends it in charity during the night and the hours of the day." (Saheeh Bukhari)

Allah (SWT) tells us in the Qur'an of the tremendous reward for spending in His cause.

"Those who believe, and do deeds of righteousness, and establish regular prayers and regular charity, will have their reward with their Lord. On them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve." (Surah Baqarah, Chapter 2, Verse 277)

May Allah reward you all and accept your contributions towards the maintaining of His House and programming in the AMA Community Centre.

