



Oak Park Muslim Community Newsletter



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Mission

The Oak Park Muslim Community fundraises to create a mosque and a community center that empowers Muslims from all backgrounds to engage in meaningful worship. This includes gathering for prayer, Islamic education, and supporting charitable and social activities.

[Donate to the Mosque Fund](#)

[Donate to the Organization](#)

The pain of our Muslim brethren

Palestine

How does a Muslim endure? How does a Muslim deal with the pain of their Muslim brethren? How does a Muslim deal with the unjust destruction of a people?

We provide the introduction to a paper penned by the **Yaqeen Institute**. It begins... "[Is Palestine a Muslim issue? What is the Islamic response to the Palestinian question? Put differently, "What would the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ do?"](#)" "



[Mosque Fundraising -- How's that going?](#)

We've been successful in **garnering critical support** from a national Muslim organization for OPMC. This kind of support is very important as we continue to fundraise and approach individuals and organizations.

One of our current endeavors is a **Mosque Outreach Campaign**. We are reaching out to various masajid in Illinois to hopefully get on their calendars for jumua prayer and Ramadan fundraising. If you are interested in helping with this, or have a great fundraising idea you want to share, please reach out to Yasmin or Murad!

Upcoming Events



Alhamdulillah, the **Community Quran Halaqa** started this past July, led by Dr. Babacar Mbengue and Dr. Tanveer Azmat. The current ayaat of discussion include the beginning of **surah al-Ahzab**.

Join the halaqa this **Friday, September 20 from 7 to 8 PM**. We'll be meeting **in person** at **Kinfolk CoLab**, 2nd floor. Or, you can join on Zoom via the link [HERE](#) (same link every time).

Halal-o-ween, Friday, Oct. 25 -- SAVE THE DATE!

Well, what is this Halal-o-ween? OPMC is providing an opportunity for our Muslim youth to dress up in costumes, eat candy, do crafts, and play games. **ALL** children and families are welcomed.

It's not just for little kids. We would like to encourage our pre-teens and teens to be a part of this event.

We will also be introducing our Quran stories that will hopefully be a regular Islamic educational Friday event, hosted by Brother Anas Dahrouj--appropriate for older children and adults, alike.

Further details coming soon, inshaAllah.



Board Meeting, Tuesday, Oct. 8 from 7 - 8:30 PM

In person at Oak Park Main Public Library, 3rd floor Meeting Room or via Zoom -- link [HERE](#).



[SAVE THE DATE -- OPMC Fundraising Dinner -- May 2, 2025](#)



VOLUNTEERS AND YOUR EFFORTS make this all possible

We are looking for individuals interested in these specific areas above, as well as those who just have a desire to get involved somehow.

You don't have to have all the answers, just a desire to make our Muslim community better each day. If you can spare as little as an hour or a few

per month, consider being a part of the vibrant greater Oak Park Muslim community.

These are the current areas that we have a need for, but if there's something else you're interested in, let us know.

Contact us at munirah.curtis@oakparkmuslims.org or info@oakparkmuslims.org, or just reach out to a board member.



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*We are a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving
our diverse Muslim community in Oak Park and surrounding neighborhoods*

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