



# Hidaya Foundation

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“O you who have believed, be persistently standing firm for Allah . . . “

[Al-Qur’an: 5:8]

Pictured: A rock standing firm in a strong current

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### Putting Things in Perspective: Stand Firm, Do Good, Be Prepared, and Trust Allah

Recently there has been an increase in events of violence and threatening rhetoric towards minorities, including Muslims, resulting in a lot of fear and uncertainty among many people. While it seems that some hardship may be ahead, we need not fear or despair, rather we can increase in our faith, stand up for justice, help those in need, prepare ourselves, and trust in Allah that good is to come of everything. Following are a few ayat and hadith that can encourage us.

#### Allah Will Test the Believers

Do people think that they will be left alone because they say: “We believe,” and will not be tested? [Al-Qur’an 29:2]

And We will surely test you with something of fear and hunger and a loss of wealth and lives and fruits, but give good tidings to the patient, Who, when disaster strikes them, say, “Indeed we belong to Allah, and indeed to Him we will return.” Those are the ones upon whom are blessings from their Lord and mercy. And it is those who are the [rightly] guided. [Al-Qur’an 2:155-157]

#### All Affairs of a Believer are Good

Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) said, “How wonderful is the situation of the believer, for all his affairs are good. If something good happens to him, he gives thanks for it and that is good for him; if something bad happens to him, he bears it with patience, and that is good for him. This does not apply to anyone but the believer.” (Sahih Muslim #2999)

#### Allah is Our Protector, Remember Him Often

Say, “Never will we be struck except by what Allah has decreed for us; He is our protector.” And upon Allah let the believers rely. [Al-Qur’an 9:51]

Those who believe, and whose hearts find rest in the remembrance of Allah, Verily, in the remembrance of Allah do hearts find rest. [Al-Qur’an 3:28]

#### Stand Firm, Be Just, Be Righteous

O you who have believed, be persistently standing firm for Allah, witnesses in justice, and do not let the hatred of a people prevent you from being just. Be just; that is nearer to

righteousness. And fear Allah; indeed, Allah is Acquainted with what you do. [Al-Qur’an 5:8]

#### Work for the Good of Society and Help People in Need

Allah does not forbid you from those who do not fight you because of religion and do not expel you from your homes - from being kind toward them and acting justly toward them. Indeed, Allah loves those who act justly. [Al-Qur’an 60:8]

The scholars of Islam explained kindness in the verse by saying: ‘It is mercy on the weak of them, giving money to the poor, feeding the hungry, dressing the poor, and talking kindly with them. This should be done in a merciful and gentle way and not in a fearful and humiliating way, tolerate bad neighbors - with the ability of removing it kindly but not fearfully or greedily. In addition, we should ask Allah to guide them and grant them happiness. Also, we should offer them advice in all aspects of their life and religious matters and guard them if anyone wants to harm them’. [Al-Fawariq by Al-Qarafi, 3115]

#### Be Prepared, Have a Plan

Anas ibn Malik reported: A man said, “O Messenger of Allah, should I tie my camel and trust in Allah, or should I leave her untied and trust in Allah?” The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, “Tie her and trust in Allah.” (Tirmidhi #2517)

#### Migration for Allah’s Sake to Safety

The first to make hijra was Prophet Ibrahim (pbuh), who, when he was threatened by his own people said: “ . . . I will emigrate for the sake of my Lord. Verily, He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise.” [Al-Qur’an 29:26]

#### Give Sadaqah, it Protects from Calamity

Those who spend their wealth in Allah’s way by night and by day, secretly and publicly - they will have their reward with their Lord. And no fear will there be concerning them, nor will they grieve. [Al-Qur’an 2:274]

Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said, “Give the Sadaqah without delay, for it stands in the way of calamity.” (Tirmidhi #1887) ♦

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# 2016 Container Shipment Report - 54 Containers Shipped

In 2016, **Hidaya shipped 21 containers** (40 ft) filled with In-Kind donations from USA to Pakistan. Supplies included: clothes & household items, toys & baby items, medical supplies, computers & related items, office equipment & tools, books & school supplies, and more. Total In-Kind donations for 2017 were valued at **\$363,891.75**.



Loading Containers at Hidaya's Warehouse in San Jose, CA

Container #s	Date Shipped	In-Kind Value	Contents
1 & 2	Feb 23	\$24,745.00	Clothes & Household Items, Toys & Baby Items, Medical Supplies, Computers & Related Items, Office Equipment & Tools, Books & School Supplies
3	Mar 16	\$24,983.50	Winter Clothes
4 & 5	Mar 29	\$28,120.00	Clothes & Household Items, Toys & Baby Items, Medical Supplies, Computers & Related Items, Office Equipment & Tools
6	Apr 4	\$27,964.50	Winter Clothes
7	May 11	\$24,714.50	Winter Clothes
8 & 9	May 23	\$30,300.00	Clothes & Household Items, Toys & Baby Items, Medical Supplies, Books & School Supplies, Office Equipment & Tools
10	May 26	\$27,890.00	Winter Clothes
11 & 12	Jul 5	\$39,109.50	Winter Clothes
13 & 14	Aug 29	\$24,220.00	Clothes & Household Items, Medical Supplies, Toys & Baby Items, Computers & Related Items, Office Equipment & Tools
15	Sep 8	\$19,550.30	Winter Clothes
16 & 17	Oct 24	\$26,605.00	Clothes & Household Items, Toys & Baby Items, Medical Supplies, Books & School Supplies, Office Equipment & Tools
18	Oct 24	\$19,474.70	Winter Clothes
19	Nov 25	\$19,594.75	Winter Clothes
20 & 21	Dec 20	\$26,620.00	Clothes & Household Items, Toys & Baby Items, Medical Supplies, Computers & Related Items, Books & School Supplies
		<b>\$363,891.75</b>	

Also, in 2016, **Hidaya purchased and shipped 33 containers** from the international market to benefit the poor of Pakistan.

Purchased supplies include: 24 containers of Palm Olein Vegetable Cooking Oil (from Indonesia), 7 containers of Faba Beans (from Canada), 1 container of Fertilizer (from Thailand), 1 container of Tents and Shelters (from USA). Total of above items that were purchased and distributed to the poor cost **\$520,770.93**.

Since 2015, Hidaya has been purchasing internationally to ensure better use of funds by securing top quality products at lower costs, resulting in much better quality products being given to more people in need.

Container #s	Country of Export	Date Shipped	Value	Contents
1 to 10	Indonesia	Mar 5	\$148,210.60	Palm Olein Vegetable Cooking Oil
11 to 17	Canada	Apr 4	\$151,921.00	Faba Beans
18	Thailand	Jul 7	\$6,375.00	Fertilizer
19	USA	July 7	\$12,835.93	Tents, Storage Shelters, Container Shelters
20 & 21	Indonesia	Aug 6	\$30,488.00	Palm Olein Vegetable Cooking Oil
22 & 23	Indonesia	Sep 12	\$29,952.40	Palm Olein Vegetable Cooking Oil
24 to 33	Indonesia	Dec 6	\$140,988.00	Palm Olein Vegetable Cooking Oil
			<b>\$520,770.93</b>	

**It costs approximately \$4,000 - \$5,000 to ship each container of In-Kind Donations** (approx. \$1,500 - \$2,000 for shipping from US to Pakistan, approx. \$1,500 for trucking in US & Pakistan, approx. \$1,000 - \$1,500 for clearing from port & Distribution in Pakistan). Alhamdulillah, since 1999, Hidaya has sent over 250 forty ft. containers to benefit hundreds of thousands of people in need! *On average, one container is enough to clothe over 10,000 people, please donate towards Container Shipment Project for In-Kind Donations.* ♦

# Become a Monthly Donor

## Help Us Continue Our Ongoing Services to Thousands In Need!

"Aisha (raa) narrated that, "The most beloved action to Allah's Apostle (pbuh) was that whose doer did it continuously and regularly."  
(Bukhari #8.76.469)



### Orphan Projects: Supporting over 10,000 orphans and 5,000 widows in 6 countries

Our monthly orphan support in Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Guinea, and Cameroon is now in excess of 10,000 orphans and 5,000 widows each month.

No Orphan without Education: For **\$10 per month**, all educational needs are met for each 1st to 12th grade child.

Widow/Orphan Support: For **\$40 per month**, all basic needs are met for a household of a widow and her orphan(s).

### Support Poor Students - Supporting nearly 13,000 students each month

Hidaya is currently supporting nearly 13,000 students from primary school up until the university level under the Support Poor Students project, and is continuing to support more and more students.

### Support Hidaya Schools - Operating 86 schools

Currently, Hidaya is operating and supporting 86 schools in Pakistan with over 13,000 students from 1st to 8th grade.

It costs about **\$160 per month** to run a classroom of approximately 40 students.

### Clean Drinking Water - Installing over 40 hand pumps and distributing over 40 million liters of water each month

Hidaya installs water hand pumps in the homes/yards of villagers as well as distributes water via water tanker to poor people living in cities where the municipalities are failing them.

A **water hand pump costs \$300** and is a sadaqah jariah (continuous charity), but can also be given as Zakat.

It costs just **\$10 to distribute 1,200 gallons of water** via tanker to hundreds of people.

### One Million Meals - Distributing over 1 million meals each year in several countries

Each year Hidaya provides over a million meals to thousands of families who are among the poorest in the world. Last year dry ration packages were distributed to the poor of 12 countries in Asia and Africa. Due to buying in bulk, **1 meal costs approximately 50 cents**.



If you would like to set-up a recurring donation to donate towards any of these featured projects, or any other Hidaya projects on a monthly basis, please go to: [www.hidaya.org/donation-page/automatic-monthly-donation](http://www.hidaya.org/donation-page/automatic-monthly-donation), or call us at 1-866-2HIDAYA. ♦

## Hidaya's Driving School - Over 2,000 Youth Trained

Under our Job Skills Training project, Hidaya Foundation has been training students in driving vehicles at Hidaya's Driving School in Pakistan. Training is conducted on 8 cars and 2 tractors which Hidaya has purchased to train youth coming from poor backgrounds so they may use these skills to earn for themselves and their families insha'Allah. Students are also helped to pay fees so they may obtain a drivers license.

Alhamdulillah, since August of 2015, **Hidaya has already trained over 2,000 youth** under this effort!

It costs approximately **\$100 to train a youth in driving and obtain a drivers license**. Please donate towards Hidaya's Driving School. ♦



# Hidaya's 2016 Accomplishments



One Million Meals



No Orphan without Education



Widow/Orphan Support



Job Skills Training



One Million Meals



Sadaqah Sacrifice

**No Orphan without Education:** Supported over 10,000 orphans each month in Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, Guinea and Cameroon

**Support Hidaya Schools:** Operating 86 schools with over 13,000 students from KG – 8th grade in Pakistan

**Adult Education:** Educating over 700 non-literate male and female adults to 8th grade level in Pakistan

**Support Poor Students:** Supported over 13,000 students in Pakistan

**Job Skills Training:** Trained nearly 1,000 students in sewing and over 1,800 students in driving in Pakistan

**Hidaya Institute of Science & Technology (HIST):** Educated over 300 students in basic computer skills, over 300 students in software development, nearly 70 students in system administration, and nearly 70 students in network administration

**Hidaya Institute of Farming & Agriculture (HIFA):** Educated dozens of young adults in ways of cultivating the land, growing vegetables, taking care of date palm trees and mango orchards at Hidaya Garden

**Widow/Orphan Support:** Supported nearly 5,000 widows and their orphaned children each month in Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka, Guinea and Cameroon

**Marriage Support:** Helped 8 young couples with their marriages  
**Container Shipment for In-Kind Donations:** Sent 21 forty ft. containers with donated goods to benefit the poor of Pakistan, worth almost \$365,000

**One Million Meals:** Distributed nearly 90,000 dry ration packages to families - enough for over 1,300,000 meals throughout 12 countries (Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Guinea, Cameroon, Benin, Ghana, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Togo)

**Sadaqat-ul-Fitr:** Distributed 2,615 dry ration packages to families, benefiting nearly 15,000 individuals in Pakistan and Bangladesh

**Fidya:** Distributed over 3,303 dry ration packages to families, benefiting over 25,000 individuals

**Kaffara:** Distributed 837 dry ration packages to families, benefiting nearly 5,000 individuals

**Disaster Relief:** Provided food to over 3,000 families affected by Sri Lanka Floods, and helped several refugee families settling in the USA with financial and material support, and tuition for their children's enrollment in schools

**Sadaqah Sacrifice:** Sacrificed 2,143 goats and 210 oxen and distributed the meat to benefit tens of thousands of families in Pakistan, India, Bangladesh and Guinea

**Aqiqah:** Sacrificed 262 goats on behalf of donors and distributed meat to benefit thousands of families

**Qurbani:** Arranged 6,212 shares of Qurbani on behalf of our donors (5,012 ox/buffalo shares, 1,200 goats/sheep) and distributed the meat to over 60,000 poor families throughout 16 countries (Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Ethiopia, Somalia, Kenya, Cameroon, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Ghana, Togo, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Benin)

**One Million Trees:** Planted nearly 20,000 seedlings

**Green Energy:** Finished installation of solar panels equaling over 60,000 kilowatts at 9 of Hidaya Trust's offices in Pakistan reducing electricity costs and ensuring smoother operations during frequent power outages

**Clean Drinking Water:** Installed 519 water hand pumps on behalf of our donors and distributed nearly 5 million liters of water via water tanker benefiting over 100,000 people

**Medical Assistance:** Arranged for 1,189 examinations and treatments for patients in need

**Medical Camps:** Held 82 medical camps and treated over 10,000 poor patients ♦

## Donation Form



Hidaya Foundation is a non-profit 501(C)(3) charitable organization with US Tax ID # 77-05025833.

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Container Shipment for In-Kind Donations No Orphan without Education (\$10 per month) Widow/Orphan Support (\$40 per month) Support Hidaya Schools (\$160 per month) Clean Drinking Water (\$300/hand pump, \$10 per tanker) One Million Meals (50 cents per meal) Job Skills Training (Driving School \$100/student)	Zakat Amount Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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**Set-up a Monthly Donation**  
 (LEAVE THIS BOX BLANK IF YOU ARE DOING A ONE-TIME DONATION)  
 If you would like to set-up using your checking account (preferred), please include a voided check along with this donation form, or you may fill your card information in the spaces provided above. Note - please make sure to completely fill in the donor information section on the left so we can properly set-up your donation.

By signing below, I would like to make this a monthly donation for the project(s) that I have checked marked on the left.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Starting Date: \_\_\_\_\_