

# Hidaya Foundation



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## **For Immediate Release:**

### **HIDAYA FOUNDATION PLEDGES \$50,000 FOR CYCLONE SURVIVORS IN THE UNION OF MYANMAR, 05-07-2008**

Santa Clara, California, USA. May 07, 2008 – Hidaya Foundation ([www.hidaya.org](http://www.hidaya.org)), a Santa Clara based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, has pledged to raise \$50,000 in the 1<sup>st</sup> phase for the survivors of the recent disaster in The Union of Myanmar. The Ayeyarwady Delta in the south, mostly populated by poor rice farmers, was the most severely hit zone as the Cyclone brought a surge of water 12 ft. high over the land from sea. Millions of people have lost their homes and a massive amount of the country's crops have been destroyed. As of Wednesday, May 7, over 60,000 people have been reported dead or missing.

Hidaya Foundation intends to work towards the long-term rehabilitation of those affected by this disaster as soon as international restrictions on non-profits are softened. Hidaya is appealing for funds to aid victims of this natural disaster. Hidaya has already qualified two local organizations, the Muslim Free Hospital and Medical Relief Society in Yangon and the Muslim Central Fund Trust in Yangon to partner with for relief operations. Qualification is based on Hidaya's standard operating procedure and per US Treasury Department, US Department of State, United Nations, and European Union databases. Hidaya's team also met with the Burmese Community of the San Francisco Bay Area at Mettananada Vihara, a Buddhist Monastery of the San Francisco Bay Area in Fremont, CA and assured them the full support of the Muslim Community at this time of crisis.

Donations are urgently needed to support the unfortunate amongst us across the globe.

Online donation (via Electronic Check or Credit Card): [www.hidaya.org](http://www.hidaya.org)

Mailing address for check donations:

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