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INTRODUCTION

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OUR VISION, MISSION, AND PHILOSOPHY

In today's society, there are a host of problems that our Muslim youth are facing, such as drugs, social media abuse, avoiding pornography, maintaining their mental health among the many stresses in life, and so much more. On top of that, many Muslim youth are struggling to identify with Islam in their hearts and minds. Many communities are ill-equipped to deal with these issues. Therefore, it becomes important to have an organized and dedicated effort to respond to these issues and provide solutions. This is why Young Muslims (YM) was started.

YM is a movement focused on youth aged 13-25 that began as discussions in the early 90s among Muslim leaders struggling to find a solution to the issues of Muslim youth. Several independent efforts were started in the early 90s, but it was not until 1995 that the efforts became a united national effort and the first National Coordinator was appointed. Since then, the movement has grown to become the largest national Muslim youth organization in the country. At YM, the work starts at the grassroots level, through our various local youth groups referred to as NeighborNets. We then develop individuals through personal mentorship, companionship, educational programs, and service opportunities. We then take it to the next level with Tarbiyah and Service opportunities to sharpen the minds and skillset of our members. The ultimate goal is to raise a generation of Muslims that not only understand their Deen but are passionate about using their skills to transform their society.





YM STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

- We seek Allah's pleasure by using the Quran and Sunnah as our timeless source of guidance.
- We strive to develop Muslim youth holistically through consistent and vast learning regimens, leadership opportunities, mentorship, and community involvement.
- We aim to instill within the Muslim youth a sense of accountability and a desire for continuous improvement in all aspects of their lives through completely submitting oneself to God and encouraging others to invite them to do the same. This includes embodying good character and being better students, professionals, community members, and family members. All within the framework of the Quran and Sunnah.
- Our organization maintains relevance by regularly evaluating and addressing the rapidly changing societal issues that face Muslim American youth.
- We endeavor to be a reflection of the diversity of our Muslim American community and to be well informed on the issues of all Muslim American youth.
- As an organization that is by the youth and for the youth, we share in the common struggles that youth face daily. To this end, we create and maintain inclusive spaces built on Islamic principles that foster good companionship, the growth of our members, and a culture of consultation and trust.
- We connect Muslim youth to empowering opportunities within and external to our circles that enable them to create individual and collective positive contributions to society.
- We recognize that YM cannot realize our vision alone and, therefore, will collaborate with other individuals and organizations where appropriate to maximize impact and unite towards a common goal.

VISION

American Muslim youth collectively contribute to society's betterment with God-consciousness and a firm understanding of their Muslim identity.

MISSION

Young Muslims seek the pleasure of Allah (SWT) by empowering Muslim youth through companionship, mentorship, education, and service.





NATIONAL SHURA

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The National Shura of Young Muslims is our national leadership body, consisting of the National Coordinator who functions as the Ameer of the organization, a Secretary General who functions as the vice-Ameer, and Shura members who are representing the many areas where YM is located.

The National Shura is elected every two years.



A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR:



Bismillah.

Alhamdulillah the past year has officially marked 30 years of our Young Muslims organization. 30 years of companionship, mentorship, education, and service. We are grateful to all the hundreds of brothers who dedicated years of their youth to enable Young Muslims in reaching thousands of youth for over three decades. May Allah swt accept from all those involved, in Year 1, Year 30, and all in between.

My name is Aqil Farooqui and I have been a part of the Young Muslims organization for the past decade. It is an honor to be a part of such a legacy organization that has persevered through many challenges, with each bringing forth a success in its own way. 2025 has revealed some major values of our organization; that our strength does not merely lie in our programs and initiatives but the tarbiyyah and mentorship that goes on to develop hundreds of quality individuals contributing to society. The foundation of YM has always been rooted in the Neighbornet, the weekly gatherings of Muslim youth, which has enabled our understanding on what it means to be a Muslim in America and what our sole purpose should be: seeking the pleasure of Allah SWT. These foundations have also developed us to be critical of the current state that surrounds us and work to rectify those injustices and issues.

Beyond our values and foundations, we were able to see growth across the organization. We see regions such as Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Connecticut, and Dallas increasing themselves in Neighbornets and stability and YM presence propping up in areas like the DMV and Seattle areas, reflecting a deliberate investment in sustainable expansion, leadership development, and long-term community building across the country. Additionally - our National operations continue to witness new heights in their structure and execution. From record-breaking fundraising efforts and strengthened financial systems, to having presence in our National Advocacy days, to establishing a Safety & Compliance department for the very first time, Young Muslims continues to mature while also learning a very valuable lesson: our wins and achievements have and will always be rooted in the grassroots efforts and in every individual who sincerely contributed their time, wealth, and energy for the sake of Allah (SWT).

While we may have grown and diversified in our identity, the past year has also pushed us to look outwards, beyond the communities we immediately serve in and to distinctly remember those who continue to drive the vehicle forward. Young Muslims firmly acknowledge the passing of Imam Jamil Al Amin - May Allah have mercy on him - who dedicated his life to the growth of Islam in America and unjustly served the last two decades of his life in prison. Just as we acknowledge Imam Jamil, we acknowledge Marwan Ma'roouf, Dr. Aafia Siddiqui, Sr. Leqaa Kordia and many others who are suffering a great deal in their path of service to our Ummah. I dedicate my statement to all the Muslims who were and are forced to sacrifice because they acted as a compass for institutions like YM. These challenges in our Ummah serve as constant reminders of why YM does what it does and teaches us lessons that we do not find anywhere else.

So if and when you come across a YM chapter, a service of YM, or even an individual of YM, offer your support however you can. We are only stronger and more successful when more of us share in this struggle of enjoining good and forbidding evil. May Allah (SWT) enable us to be drivers of change and in the service of His Deen.



Your Brother,
Aqil Farooqui
Young Muslims National Coordinator



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DETAILED INCOME & EXPENSES FOR 2025, FY26 BUDGET, HOW OUR FUNDS ARE USED, OUR GOALS, STATEMENT ON YM'S FINANCIAL POSITION, PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

FINANCIAL REPORT



PROFIT - LOSS

INCOME

Donations	\$534,149.10
Retreats	\$115,451.15
Merchandise & Design - Income	\$19,638.37
YMLC Income	\$153,173.97
YMC Income	\$77,908.21
Grand Total	\$900,320.80

EXPENSES

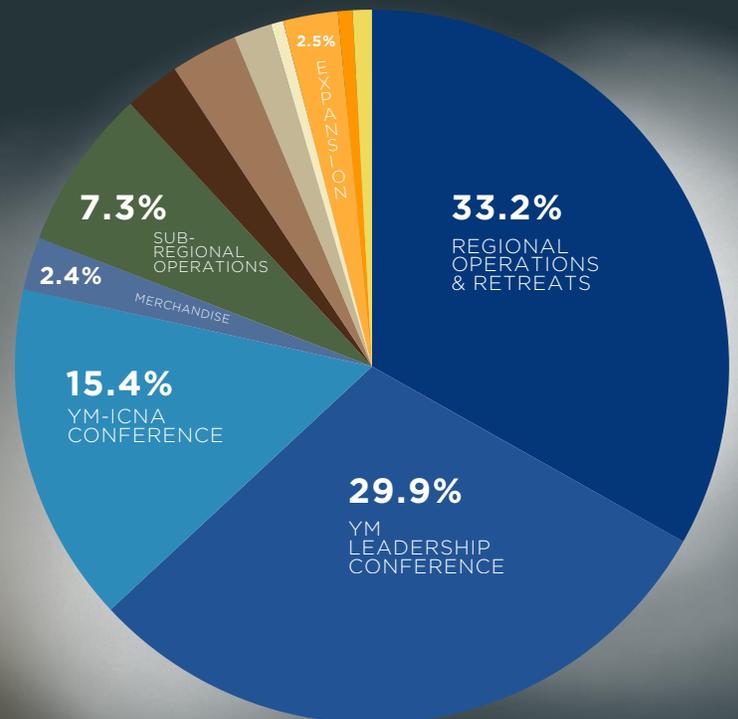
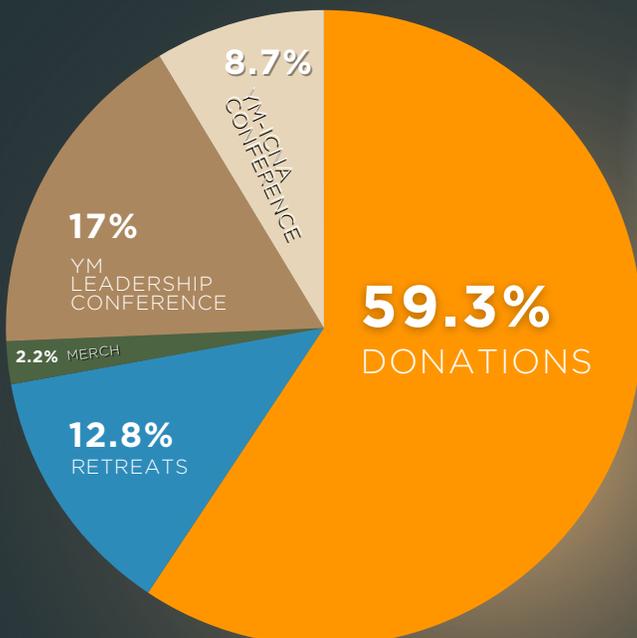
Regional Operations	\$241,099.49
Young Muslims Leadership Conferences	\$217,517.24
Young Muslims ICNA Conference	\$111,986.60
Merchandise & Design	\$17,424.10
Sub-Regional Operations	\$53,198.63
National Meetings & Visits	\$18,160.00
National Departments	\$22,007.04
Partnerships and Outreach	\$12,540.37
Tarbiyyah	\$4,080.47
Expansion Operations	\$18,019.00
Software, Subscriptions, and Advertising	\$4,805.28
Bank Fees & Admin Expenses	\$6,324.21
Grand Total	\$719,400.13

NET INCOME **\$173,158.37**

EXPENSES - PIE CHART

- Regional Operations
- Young Muslims Leadership Conferences
- Young Muslims ICNA Conference
- Merchandise & Design
- Sub-Regional Operations
- National Meetings & Visits
- National Departments
- Partnerships and Outreach
- Tarbiyah
- Expansion Operations
- Software, Subscriptions, and Advertising
- Bank Fees & Admin Expenses

INCOME - PIE CHART



PROJECTED BUDGET

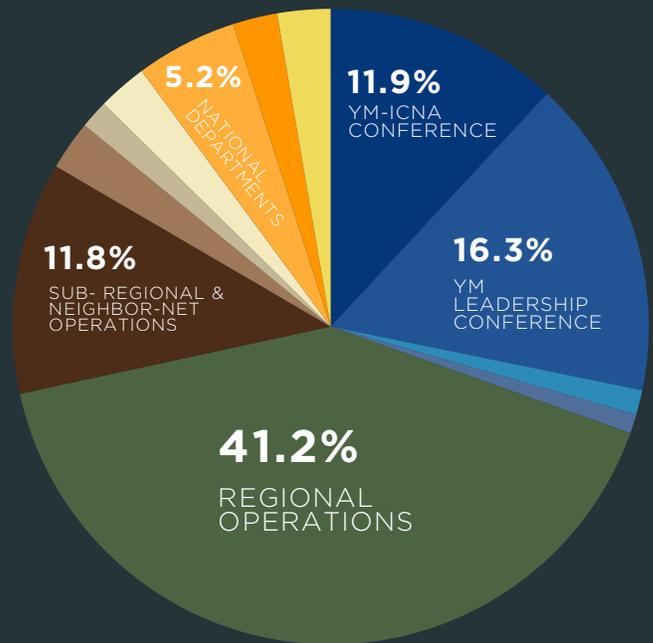
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FY26

EXPENSES

YM-ICNA Conference	\$95,000.00
Leadership Conferences	\$130,000.00
Merchandise & Design	\$10,000.00
Software, Subscriptions, Advertising ----	\$7,756.97
Regional Operations	\$328,300.00
SR/NN Operations	\$94,150.00
Expansion Operations	\$20,000.00
Partnerships/Outreach	\$11,500.00
Tarbiyyah	\$20,000.00
National Departments	\$41,300.00
National Meetings & Visits	\$18,000.00
Bank Fees & Admin Expenses	\$21,500.00
TOTAL ANNUAL EXPENSE -----	\$797,506.97



AN OVERALL ~13% INCREASE REGIONAL, SR, & NN INVESTMENTS.

HOW OUR FUNDS ARE USED

Young Muslims Conference: We host an annual National Youth Conference that is run parallel to the ICNA (Islamic Circle of North America) Convention. In addition, we also will also be holding smaller regional youth conferences throughout the country. Since the goal is to make our conferences open to all youth, we keep attendance fees affordable. This year, we will also be working to partner with other major youth groups such as MSA, MIST, and MAS Youth to facilitate having them attend and benefit from the weekend.

Young Muslims Leadership Conference: This is an annual, invite-only conference that we host to develop youth leaders. The conference's goal is to enable and empower the youth to have a more significant impact on their communities. The entire conference is put together through our National funds, including transportation costs, food, hotel, and conference space. In 2025, we brought over 500 leaders in attendance from all across the United States. We are also launching an Alumni Track to ensure our past leadership has a space to continue to discuss serving society. A large part of this cost is for transportation, where we contract buses rather than vans for the safety of our attendees. It is also used for Financial Aid for those who are not able to make the registration payment.

Regional Expenses & Retreats: The Regional Operations also include any larger-level events in our regions, such as regional 'Young Muslims Conferences' and 'Regional Tarbiyyah Retreats', which serve as mini-YMLCs. The largest expense housed in these budgets is for summer retreats. This year, we will be supporting about 7 Regional weekend Retreats across the country that average roughly 150 to 200 people per Retreat. This is a weekend of bonding with nature and the Creator of Nature itself. These retreats are incredible Daw'ah opportunities. The funds are used to facilitate the camp site, transportation, and financial aid.

Expansion: There are many communities across the United States in need of the work that YM provides. Since we are working with communities located in many different states and localities, expansion work requires travel expenses and sometimes accommodations in areas that are unable to host. We are on pace to rapidly grow the organization's size in the next two years Insha'Allah. Your funds would go to establishing Muslim youth efforts in every corner of America.

HOW OUR FUNDS ARE USED

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Programs/Activities at the Local Level: Our focus goes first to the local communities as a grassroots organization. We encourage all of our local units to become self-sustaining and gather their resources locally to cover their expenses; however, we also provide financial support. This includes, but is not limited to, community events, food for the weekly NeighborNet attendee, and more.

National Operations, Departments, & Meetings: The work we are doing at a national level is growing, with 8 departments and 25 national teams, every department has its own budget to sustain its operations and maximize their impact. From the Marketing Budget we use to expense new and innovative Video Production Equipment, to the investments we make in our Donor Management System, these all support our national efforts. This year, we have added a budget for Societal Impact and Safety & Compliance.

To empower leadership and convene them to do more, we have allocated a 'National Meetings' budget to house expenses for 'National Shura Annual Planning', 'Subregional Coordinator Annual Planning', 'Cabinet Annual Planning', 'Vision Meetings' as well as others. We have also launched an 'NNC Exchange Program', taking our local coordinators from newer subregions and having them visit established ones to potentially learn and take back lessons on YM culture and structure.

Sponsorships/Scholarships: As an organization looking to the future, we are always looking to invest in our members to help them increase their knowledge and abilities to bring Khayr back to the communities they came from. This includes scholarships with many different seminaries. This also houses expenses to subsidize transportation costs for our annual Muslim & Palestine Advocacy days.

Bank Fees & Admin Expenses: While this category is generalized, we use it to house expenses for our storage unit in NJ, wire transfer charges, and potential payroll opportunities.

YOUR DONATIONS FUEL OUR GOALS

In August-September 2020, the YM Brothers National Shura conducted a project to establish a 10 year strategic plan to decide the organization's future. This project is called Vision 2030. The team assessed the entire organization and the needs of the society we are living in through meetings, surveys, and interviews with current members, Alumni, former leaders of the organization, community leaders, scholars, and the general American Muslim public. This research was used to analyze different trends that our communities are facing and ultimately led to the formation of four distinct goals for YM to achieve to address those issues. In 2022, Our team looked over these goals and tracked our progress towards reaching out 10 year objectives. Alhamdulillah, we are on a good pace and are hopeful to reach our targets by the end of the decade with your support. And now again, in 2024, we revised and updated our 10 year objectives to more in sync with the organization's needs. InshaAllah, we plan to meet again in September of 2026.

YM VISION 2030 GOALS:

GOAL: TRANSFORM THE DEMOGRAPHIC MAKEUP OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF YOUNG MUSLIMS TO REFLECT THE MUSLIM YOUTH DEMOGRAPHIC IN THE UNITED STATES.	GOAL: DEVELOP A SUSTAINABLE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED GROWTH OF OUR IMPACT AND LEGACY	GOAL: ENHANCE OUR SYSTEM TO CONTINUOUSLY FURTHER THE KNOWLEDGE AND VISION IN ALL OF OUR MEMBERS TO PRODUCE EXCELLENT REPRESENTATIVES OF ISLAM IN AMERICA	GOAL: UNDERSTAND AND ADDRESS THE RAPIDLY CHANGING NEEDS AND ISSUES FACING THE LARGER COMMUNITY OF MUSLIM YOUTH IN AMERICA TO CREATE AN IMPACT BEYOND MEMBERS OF OUR ORGANIZATION.
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YM VISION MEETING. HOUSTON, TX. SEPT. 2024.

A STATEMENT ON THE FINANCIAL STATE OF YOUNG MUSLIMS:



Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh,

All Praise to Allah (SWT) who has enabled Young Muslims to continue another year of financial strength. In this statement, I intend to demystify our net income, budget variances, share financial trends within the organization, and provide a financial outlook for 2026.

Regarding the net income, it may seem as a large amount. However, it should be noted that much of this amount is due to backdated sponsorships for our Young Muslims Leadership Conference (YMLC) that were paid out this year. Without these sponsorships paid out, we'd have much lower income for YMLC and an overall lower net income. Additionally, it is also worth noting that while \$246K was budgeted for Regional Operations, only around \$211K was used. This can be attributed to the cancellation of the Texas Retreat due to inclement weather & overall stronger controls and governance surrounding Regional Spending. Lastly, Alhamdulillah, we had a record-breaking fundraising year going beyond our initial goal of \$500K. These are some of the many factors that went into a higher net income for this past fiscal year.

In consideration of financial trends, we are pleased to share the full adoption of Jotform as our preferred payments management system and the establishment of our internal finance department. In 2026, this team managed the in/out cash flow of Young Muslims exceeding \$1.6M. This is an extraordinary feat for YM's growth. While we scaled, we also created several organizational-wide financial policies & resources to ensure the proper governance around YM finances at all levels. With this being said, we are happy to report that more money has been allocated to Neighbor-Nets this year due to fundraising incentives in Ramadan (NNs who raised past certain tiers received money back), totaling all individual Neighbor-Net funds held for 2025 to \$86K, which is a 50.9% increase from 2024. This is a positive indicator showing that while funds are growing at a National level, it is still being returned to the Neighbor-Net under the proper allocations.

Now onto the year 2026, our budget continues to border around \$800K as we have decided to redistribute specific budgets into others with an overall -13% increase in Regional, SR, & NN investments and 14% decrease in our main leadership conference. We expect 2026 to be a year of continued financial strength and resilience. Operationally, we have the intention to begin an Internal Audit on all Neighbor-Nets, ensuring proactive financial management and identifying how resources can be leveraged at the local level. Additionally, we have added protocols to ensure there is follow-up to sponsor pledges for major events, as those tend to be overlooked.

While the changes we look to make may seem small, every turn of the finance operational dial matters deeply and is a mechanism to unlock more money for Young Muslims. It is an additional dollar to send someone to a leadership retreat, a dollar to subsidize a book for a study circle, a dollar to buy food to convene brothers together, a dollar to change the Muslim youth scene in the United States, and perhaps even globally.



Your Brother,

Shaheer Iqbal
Chief Financial Officer & Secretary-General



Alhamdulillah, over the last year, we raised a significant amount of funds, and the results were clear as we were able to rapidly expand our operations at all levels to support the growing needs of the organization.

However, as we continue to grow and develop, there will be more of a need to help support the organization and its members. With your support, we can provide those services and take our work a step further.

Your investment in YM is an investment in the future of the Ummah at large.

OUR PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

At Young Muslims, we try to provide a holistic youth work experience. Our work is accomplished through the following activities, among others:

- Dynamic youth groups called NeighborNets that encourage people to learn and practice Islam. NeighborNets take place every week of the year.
- Mentorship by giving young people someone they can relate to and is aware of the issues of the youth to talk to. Mentorship is absolutely essential to our organization.
- Educational study circles and classes, taught by mentors, to encourage individuals to further their learning.
- Events and gatherings with a positive atmosphere, where people can make friends and get to know fellow Muslims.
- Conferences and programs that are beneficial from a knowledge perspective, but are also designed to be spark our members into activism.
- Leadership seminars, to help young individuals to develop their leadership skills, and become better Islamic workers.
- Summer retreats, BBQ's, and Qiyaams, to create an environment where young people can learn, have fun, and enjoy themselves in an Islamic atmosphere.
- Community service activities, to encourage people to give back to their communities and Masaajid through volunteerism.
- Mental Health training to ensure all of our leadership is suited to be first level responders to the many difficult situations Muslim youth find themselves in.
- Leadership trainings provided on how to be a Servant Leader in the community
- Quality Experience trips to provide life changing moments for our members.
- Research reports to bring to light the issues that plague the community at large.
- Professional Development Webinars and Network to assist members in their professional lives.
- Creating resource hubs for important issues such as delivering a Khutbah, running a meeting effectively, and much more.
- Alumni Association for our Alumni who want to stay connected and give back to YM.
- National Tarbiyah Council to provide guidance on how to navigate contemporary issues in adherence to the Quran and Sunnah.



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PALESTINE AND SOCIETAL IMPACT

YM has always been committed to Societal Impact, encouraging our leadership to be vocal and proactive on issues facing their local communities, states, and even national initiatives.

- Partnered with MSA National to launch our 'Countering Islamophobia' campaign, consisting of da'wah training as well as tabling & events on campuses.
- Attended AJP's Palestine Advocacy Days, where YM members made up the largest group present, with over 300 members registered from all over the nation.
- Received the award for the largest delegation at Muslim Advocacy Day.
- Kicked off our YM Civic Engagement Task Force.
- Had dozens of our chapters participate in our national YM Gives community engagement week.
- Partnered with AMP on local workshops to continue long-term, sustained civic engagement for Palestine.
- Have been regularly educating our membership on national & international affairs relevant to Muslims, such as what's been happening in Palestine, Sudan, Syria, campus islamophobia, reflecting on Imam Jamil, etc.
- Initiated local efforts teams in many of our subregions to identify the most pressing societal issues in the community and work on long-term solutions.

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OUR PRESENCE

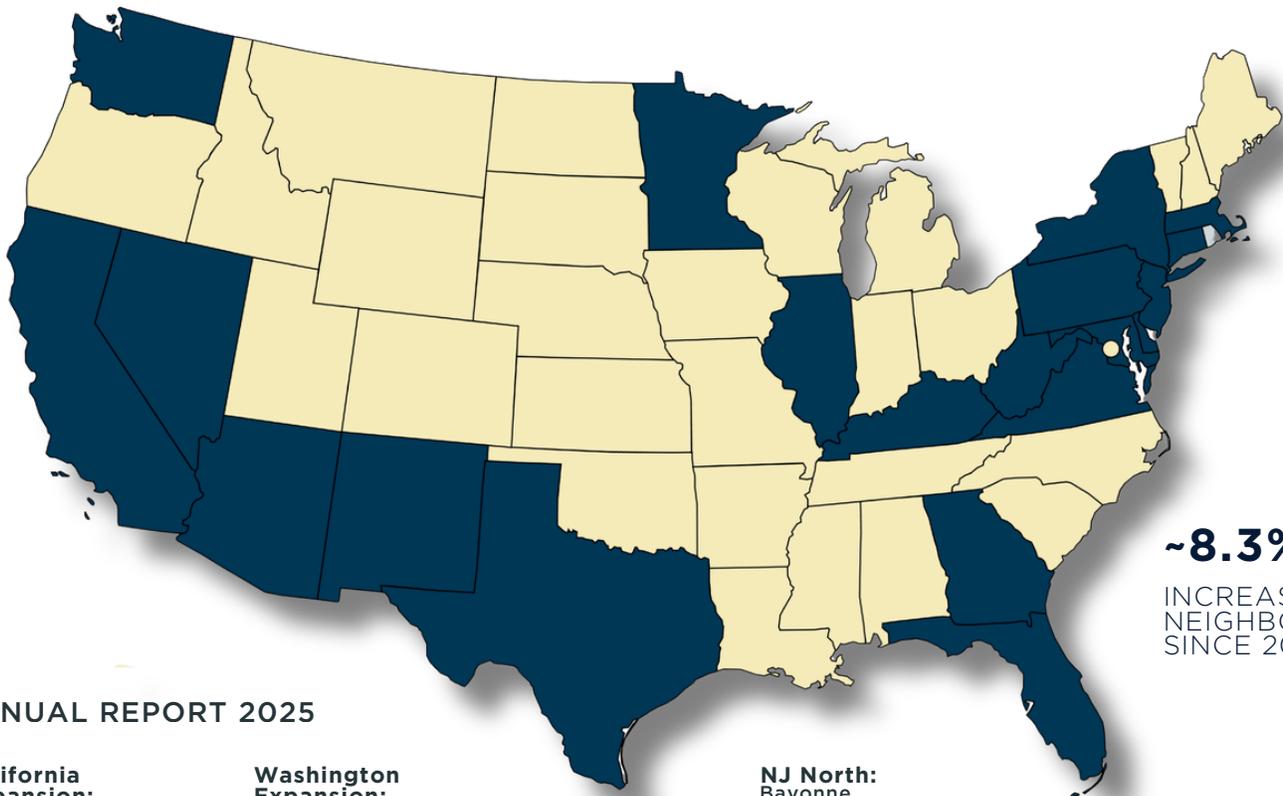
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NATIONAL OPERATIONS & PROJECTS, YM ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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OUR CHAPTER LOCATIONS



5 Regions
650+ Islamic Workers
13 Official Sub-Regions
6,200+ Youth Reached
130+ Neighbor-Nets
AND Expansion Units
6 National Depts.
18 National Teams



~8.3%
 INCREASE IN YM
 NEIGHBOR-NETS
 SINCE 2024

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California Expansion:

Berkeley
Los Angeles
Natomas
South Bay

Nevada Expansion:

Las Vegas

New Mexico Expansion:

Albuquerque

Arizona Expansion:

East Valley

Texas Expansion:

Dezavala
Univ. Texas at Austin
Round Rock
San Antonio

Florida:

Jacksonville
Pembroke Pines
South Florida
St. John's
Gainesville
Pompano

Delaware Expansion:

Dover

Washington Expansion:

Bellevue
Bothell
Redmond

Minnesota Expansion:

Blaine

Kentucky:

Bowling Green
Lexington
4th St

West Virginia Expansion:

Morgantown
Huntington
Charleston

Dallas:

Carrollton
Euless
Frisco
Irving
Richardson
Valley Ranch
75
Colleyville
Prosper
Southlake
East Plano

Chicago:

IFN
Niles
Westside
Plainfield
Potter
Bolingbrook
Wheaton
ICWS

Georgia:

Alpharetta
Liburn
Suwanee
Roswell
East Cobb
Cumming

Maryland:

Baltimore
Gaithersburg
Bel Air
Annapolis
Lanham
Salisbury
Silver Spring
Whitmarsh

Virginia:

Gainesville
Falls Church
Sterling
Woodbridge
Burke
Chesterfield
Glen Allen
Virginia Tech

NJ North:

Bayonne
Jersey City
Morris County
Newark
Paramus
Teaneck
Wayne
North Hudson

NJ South:

571
Edison
Montgomery/Hillsboro
Old Bridge
Blackwood
Piscataway
South Brunswick
South Jersey
Woodbridge
Flemington

NY West:

Brooklyn
Westchester
White Plains
Stamford
Rockland

NY East:

Jamaica
Queens Village
Valley Stream
Shelter Rock
East Meadow
Melville
Deer Park
Ronkonkoma
NYIT

Pennsylvania:

Harrisburg
UPenn
Norristown
North Penn
Khair
West Chester
Devon

Massachusetts / Rhode Island:

Lowell
Metrowest
Pawtucket (Rhode Island)
Sharon
Worcester
Quincy

Connecticut Expansion:

Berlin
New Haven
Windsor Locks
New Britain
Stamford
Middletown

Houston:

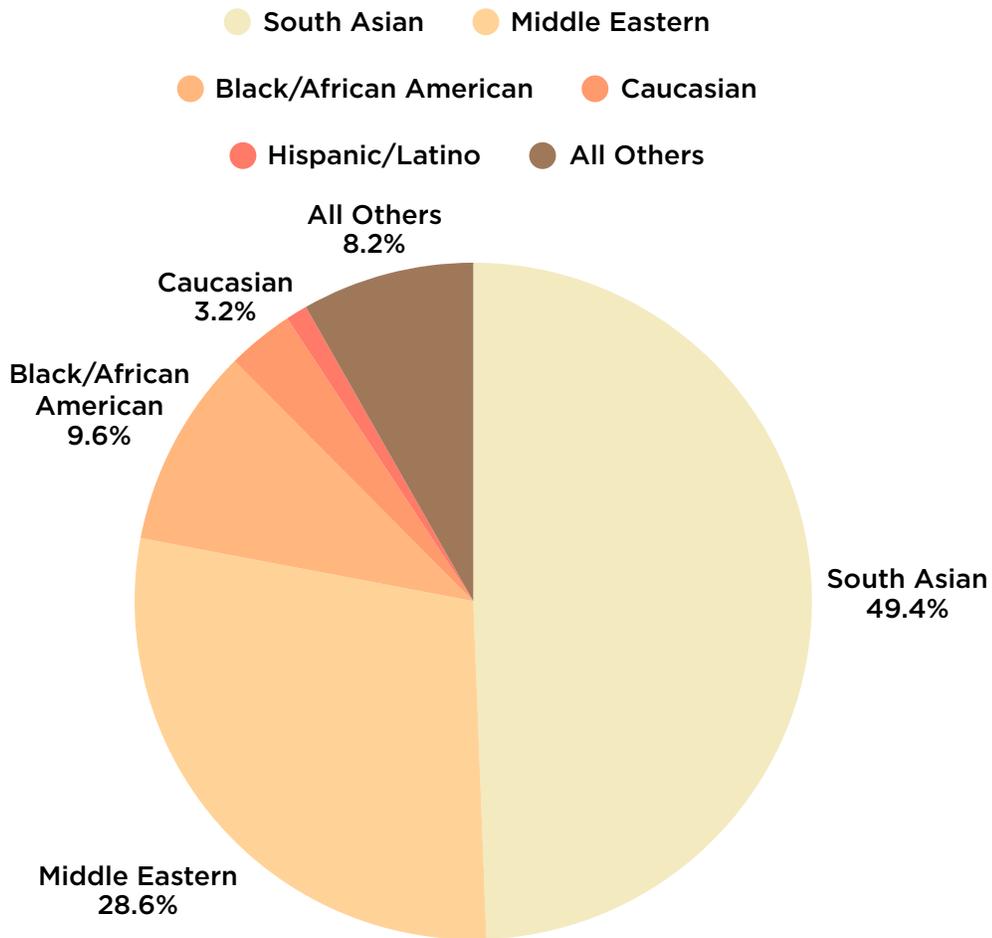
Masjid Maryam
Clear Lake
Bear Creek
Cinco Ranch
MAS Katy
College Station
Synott
River Oaks
Pearland
Spring
Cypress

ALL NEIGHBOR-NETS LISTED MEET WEEKLY ON A CONSISTENT BASIS.



Got Data?

SAMPLING 2026 ELECTION DATA ACROSS 130 NEIGHBOR-NETS,
SEE THE FOLLOWING INSIGHTS:



THIS EXCLUDES LEADERSHIP ONLY DATA

ANALYSIS:

YM has grown into a diverse organization, with South Asians now comprising close to less than half of the attendee demographic.

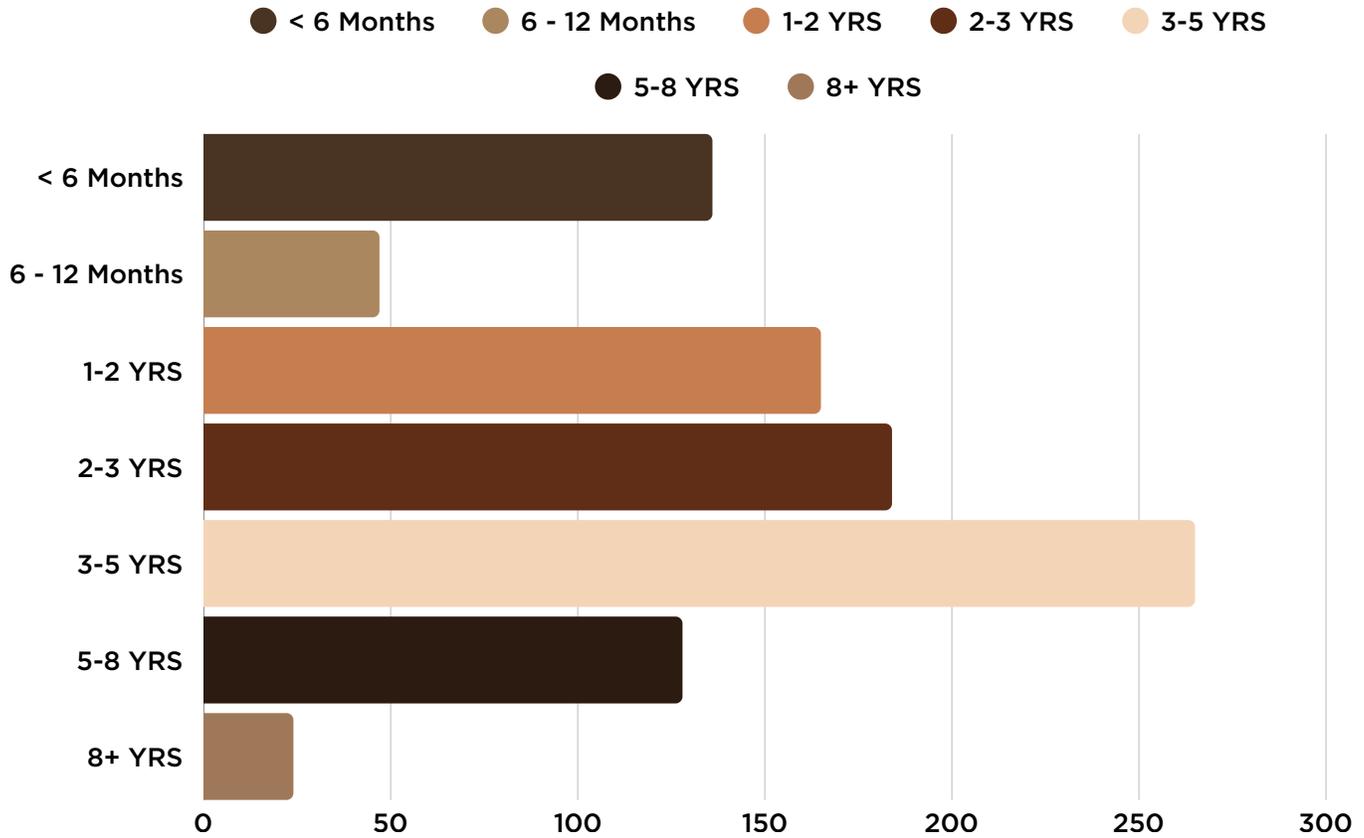
YM is no longer an organization that can only be perceived to serve 'Desis' / 'South Asians'. Rather, this lower share by 'South Asians' is a positive development and aligns with YM's goal of representing the broader Muslim community.



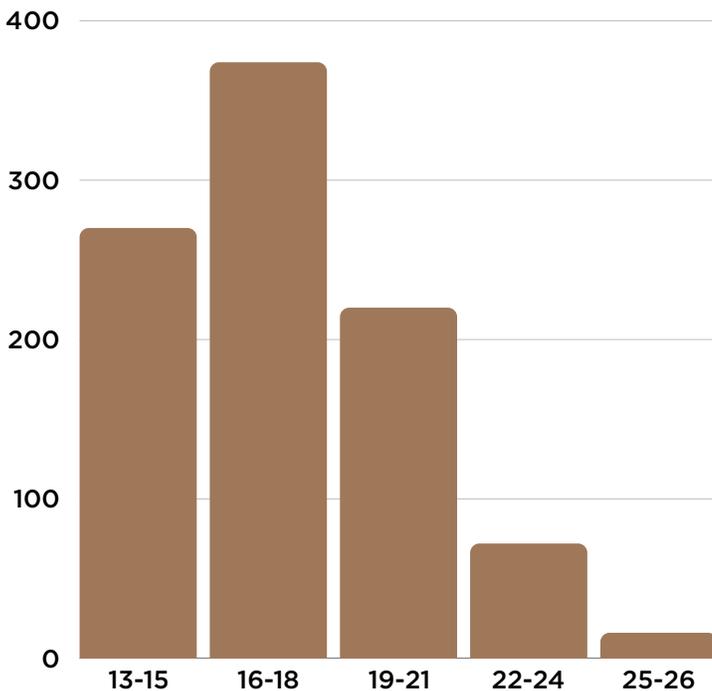
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AVERAGE EXPERIENCE TIME OF A YM ATTENDEE:



AVERAGE AGE OF A YM ATTENDEE:



ANALYSIS:

The average YM attendee has either joined YM recently (<6 months) or has been part of YM for up to 5 years.

With the average age of a YM attendee being '16-18', it is a fair assessment that YM is a critical organization on the frontlines of Muslim youth transitioning from high school to college.

While the college crowd tapers off or joins YM leadership (data not shown here), it does show YM must invest more in retaining its Older Brothers, and this commitment is reaffirmed by the past National Shura Annual Planning where more programming will be made for Older Brothers.

WE'RE ON THE GROUND.



This past year, our YM Leadership was very proactive in visiting our Neighbor-Nets and events at the local, regional, and national level, covering the entire country multiple times. Shura Members write a Travel Report for every visit and share it with the respective Regional Coordinator/National Shura Rep to engage in follow-up.

Seeing YM across the country is an immense feeling we can't describe. The YMs are different, but the brotherhood is always the same. As our terms end, it is these moments we'll miss the most.



NEIGHBOR-NET

Our work starts at the grassroots level, through our dynamic youth groups, which we refer to as NeighborNets. A NeighborNet is a weekly gathering of Muslim youth who come together to educate themselves about their faith and learn how to put it into practice. A NeighborNet provides Muslim youth with a positive and spiritually uplifting environment. They can build brotherhood by surrounding themselves with positive people, put their faith into action through volunteerism and community service, and ultimately become better Muslims.

Typical NeighborNets are made up of interactive Halaqas, Sports Activities, and Dinner. The group will also do service projects from time to time to support the community and impress the importance of serving the people. The goal is to educate people and give them a fun and enjoyable environment while instilling important Islamic principles. Every NeighborNet is run by a NeighborNet Coordinator, a qualified individual elected by his peers to lead the NeighborNet. A coordinator can conduct his duties through the help of his Core-Team, which is made up of dedicated individuals that show leadership characteristics and a commitment to Muslim youth work.

While a NeighborNet is usually held once a week, our work does not begin or end with it. Instead, our work continues throughout the week. NeighborNet coordinators and their CoreTeams keep in touch with their members throughout the week to ensure that they are doing well, spiritually and emotionally. Please see below under that section for a comprehensive listing of currently active NeighborNet Groups.

Currently, YM operates in 90+ NeighborNets and around 60 Study Circles



OUR NATIONAL OPERATIONS



For those who have shown an interest and skill set that can contribute to YM’s national efforts, we have organized National and local skill-based teams as an avenue for further development. This body is known as YM’s Cabinet, composed of 6 departments, and 18 national teams.

CABINET CHAIR
MUNEEB SYED

DEPARTMENT HEADS

AMMAR KHAN
MARKETING

- SOCIAL MEDIA
- DESIGN
- MERCHANDISE
- VIDEO PRODUCTION
- THE REACH

SHAHEER IQBAL
FINANCE

- PAYMENTS
- BOOKKEEPING

UMAR KHATTAK
OPERATIONS

- MUSLIM YOUTH ISSUES
- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- QUALITY CONTROL

AMMAR SIDDIQUI
SOCIETAL IMPACT

- LOCAL EFFORTS
- CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
- WRITING

ZAID KHAN
FUNDRAISING

- DONOR STEWARDSHIP
- SYSTEMS

MUNEEB SYED
IT

- TOOLS
- WEBSITE
- GSUITE & EMAIL MGMT

6
National Depts.

18
National Teams

~40
Cabinet Members*
As of December 2025

Cabinet is a robust national body with 60+ leadership integrated into our national operations serving as department heads, national team leads, and national team members. With all the scaling done, the focus of the Cabinet this year is to enrich our work through a higher focus on Tarbiyah, Mentorship, and Culture.

Read the previous reports! bit.ly/ymcabinet



CABINET PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Due to spacing, we have limited the list. For a more exhaustive breakdown, reach out to Muneeb Syed.

MARKETING

- The sourcing, broadcasting, editing and publishing of our YMLC videos.
- Design Team completion on “The New Muslim Compass”, a resource for new Muslims.
- One merch drop was released with large success and preparations made for the second.
- The Reach (group of SR media leads) completed an extensive media haul and have centralized all media uploads into a central drive across the country.

IT

- IT has been working to ensure continuity. The team is working on a website redesign to move to a new host with faster load times and better structure.
- Human Capital Management Team is working on moving and possibly creating a platform that gives more functionality and control over profile management.

OPERATIONS

- Onboarding of new department leadership.
- Consistent development of the ProfDev Team with team working actively.
- MYI completed a study on Palestine in collaboration with Khalil Center.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Working alongside Regional Special Projects representatives to ensure the seamless operations of all our Retreats with a focus on team development, programming, and budget management.

FUNDRAISING

- Fundraising ran a record-breaking Ramadan Fundraising campaign, raising over \$590K.
- The fundraising team led the most successful Giving Tuesday campaign in YM history, raising over \$37K, out of which over \$13K were sent to Sudan
- Team led a cleanup initiative of the FundraiseUp Platform to streamline links

FINANCE

- Finance has significantly strengthened this year, evolving into a dedicated Payments & Bookkeeping team and a highly efficient operation.
- Since implementing Jotform payments in November 2023, YM Finance has processed over \$1M across 1,230 submissions, reducing average payment turnaround from 2-3 weeks to 4-5 days.
- The department has also established robust policies, controls, and audit practices to ensure organization-wide financial compliance.



SOCIETAL IMPACT

- Successful efforts in Palestine Advocacy Day, YM Gives, and Webinars. Since formalizing into a department, efforts have shifted to building local Societal Impact Teams.
- Created procedures and workflows surrounding how Societal Impact should be done.

NATIONAL EVENTS

Young Muslims Leadership Conference (YMLC):

YMLC is YM's premier national tool in engaging with leadership to foster brotherhood and development for the organization actively. This year, we brought over 500 YM leadership members from across the nation.

During this weekend-long conference, we conducted sessions on mentorship, Muslim youth struggles, tazkiyah, long-term Islamic work, and more. YM leadership shared personal experiences, engaged in thoughtful discussions, and connected with other leadership from all over the country to make up an impactful weekend that ignited the discipline and unity of Islamic work in America.

Young Muslims Conference at ICNA Convention:

Young Muslims Conference is one of the largest Muslim youth conferences in the country, meticulously planned to provide Tarbiyyah, brotherhood/sisterhood and to mold the leaders of tomorrow. The conference attracted over 600 youth registered directly through YM, with several sessions drawing more than 2,500 attendees. In addition to the national conference, we also organized smaller regional youth conferences in Houston and Atlanta and maintained a presence at conventions in San Francisco and Chicago. To ensure accessibility, we kept attendance fees affordable and worked to make the conferences open to all youth. We also began partnering with major youth groups such as MSA, MIST, and MAS Youth to increase collaboration and participation.





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SCHOLARS FOR HUMANITY

In coordination with Helping Hand for Relief and Development (HHRD), YM sent its leadership alongside a 'Scholars for Humanity' trip to Kenya & Jordan.

In these trips, the team assisted in several operations provided by HHRD, such as their mobile medical clinics, water distribution centers, skill development centers, and meeting with community leaders all over Kenya & Jordan.

YM has joined a 'Youth for Kenya' trip in 2026 and continued the 'Youth for Jordan' trip in 2025.



YM AS A SERVICE 'PROJECT POSTMAN'

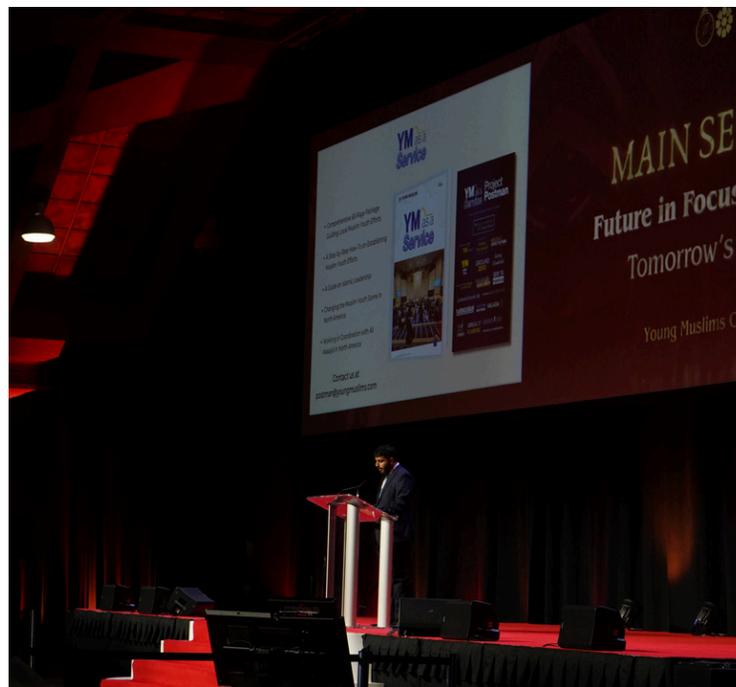
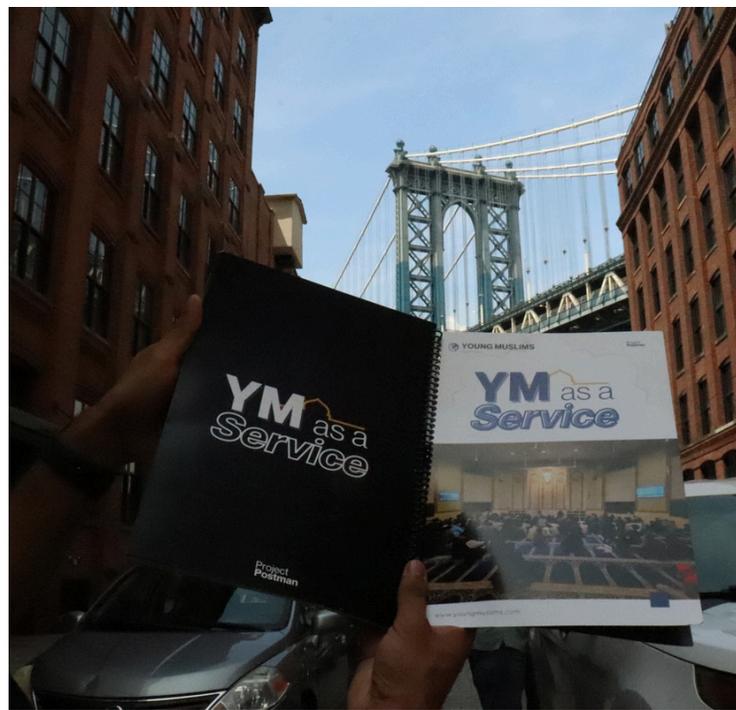
This year, we developed a handbook on YM's ideology to be a leading resource for Muslim youth efforts in the United States.

The idea of documenting YM's complete process has been thrown around. There have been isolated efforts to document YM's core operations, but none have really taken off or have been consolidated to such a great extent.

At the same time, our organization has always wanted to invest in "YM As A Service". For communities that may not have the resources to setup or background, this package provides our operations and ideology in an accessible way, so we can ensure Muslim youth efforts are amplified across the United States.

Efforts began in June 2024 to consolidate, document, and comb through all of YM's resources at the Neighbor-Net level to then compile this package. In Ramadan 2025, the first draft was made, and in August, the draft was formalized.

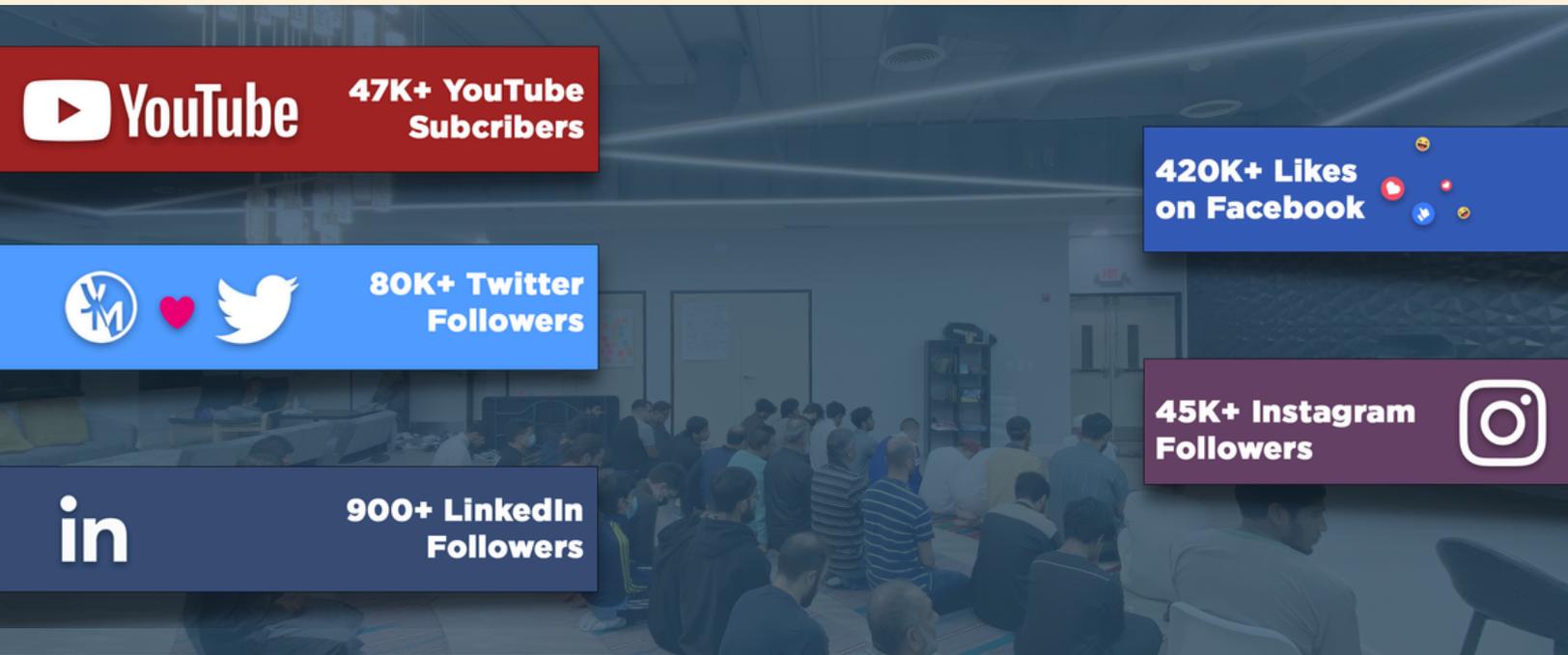
The promotional video and website are scheduled for release in February 2026.



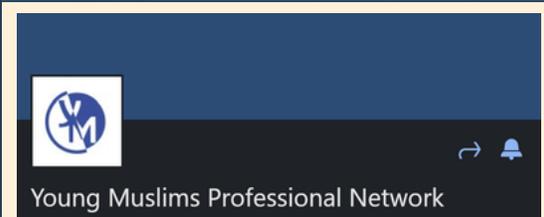


YM ON SOCIAL MEDIA

YM has a presence and is active on all major social media websites and channels. We have a significant presence on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube. Any successful organization needs to incorporate a social media strategy into its planning. For YM, we have a dedicated team of individuals whose goal is to document YM through social media outlets.



YOUNG MUSLIMS PROFESSIONAL NETWORK



In addition to the organizational page, YM also has a professional development group on LinkedIn, which is open to both YM members and Alumni.

Students/members of YM will benefit from the group through a variety of means. They will be able to connect with professionals from multiple fields of interest, learn about industry events and ask job-hunt-related questions. YM alum/professionals will be given the opportunity to help current YM members and students fulfill their career aspirations. By answering industry-related questions, advising on internship/job searches, sharing events & content, and acting as mentors, they can accelerate the early careers of young Muslims.

The Young Muslims Professional Network has over 900+ followers and can be found here:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12366471/>





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OUR IMPACT

TARBIYAH, LOCAL EFFORTS, AND NATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

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YM'S UNPARALLELED FOCUS ON

TARBIYYAH

On top of our National Events and local efforts, YM has been particular regarding establishing multiple channels for Tarbiyah initiatives. As an organization, we want to build Islamic workers, and we attribute our tarbiyah initiatives in being a key factor for this process.

REGIONAL TARBIYAH RETREATS

Regional Tarbiyyah Retreats take into account the development of leadership at large scale levels across the U.S. Sessions are designed to empower young leaders in their Islamic knowledge, spirituality, embodying prophetic leadership, implementing solutions on a regional level, and establishing brotherhood across different cities and states. Regional Tarbiyyah Retreats host many well regarded leaders and scholars that advise the participants in creating positive change in their personal lives, communities, and the world at large.

SUB-REGIONAL TARBIYAH RETREATS

Tarbiyyan Retreat are dedicated to recognizing local leadership gaps and addressing them at a much more focused level. Young Muslim leadership address areas of improvement in personal growth, spiritual growth, academic success, and establishing Islam in thier personal lives while also propogating the message to other Muslims and non-Muslims.

STUDY CIRCLE

Study Circles, SCs, are a YM staple in developing Young Muslim leadership. Study circles are small learning groups under a qualified "murabbi" (credible and learned guide/teacher.) SCs are conducted at a constant weekly bases. They cover modules delving into Iman & Tazkiyyah, seerah of the Prophet P.B.U.H., Tafseer & Quran, the introduction of basic fiqh & shariah, hadith & sunnah, Islamic history, and finally, the contemporary issues in the Muslim world. Study circles are designed to equip Young Muslim leaders to have a base of Islam that enriches thier lives while also placing them in the position to help others around them come closer to Allah S.W.T.

KITAAB ACADEMY

Kitaab Academy focuses on teaching Qur'anic Arabic designed for busy professionals and students, taking students with no prior knowledge of Arabic to proficiency in just six semesters. YM has partnered with Kitaab Akademiy in providing many YM members across the nation with the opportunity to further their understanding of the language of the Quran.





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YM'S UNPARALLELED FOCUS ON **TARBIYAH** *CONT.*

AMAL (ICNA DALLAS)

AMAL is an Islamic seminary based in Dallas, TX led by Dr. Asif Hirani and team. AMAL focuses on blending classical Islamic texts with contemporary issues. AMAL also focuses on an Islamic Movement-oriented approach that train its members to have a balanced approach with knowledge and activism in society as shown through the Sunnah of Prophet Muhammad (SAW). Many YM members and alumni from across the nation have committed time to enrich their lives while also helping others. YM plans to utilize graduates as mentors and Murabbis (SC facilitators) for young leaders in their development through the issues present in society today.

QALAM

Qalam Institute is a full-time seminary based in Dallas, TX led by Shaikh AbdulNasir Jangda. Qalam focuses on providing Islamic education, spiritual development, and companionship students that can go on to make an impact in their communities. YM provides a full-year scholarship to one dedicated member who has shown merit and commitment to Islamic work with the opportunity of attending Qalam in their journey to further Islamic work. Qalam & YM also provides scholarship for members to attend the dynamic Qalam Institute Seerah Intensive program. **A cohort of 10 YM brothers join many others in learning about the life of the Prophet SAW and improving their spiritual well-being while striving to attain the pleasure of Allah S.W.T.**

SWISS

YM has partnered with The Suhaib Webb Institute of Sacred Sciences led by Imam Suhaib Webb. SWISS offers an inclusive educational experience that combines traditional Islamic learning with modern thought, providing students with the opportunity to gain knowledge in an enriching and inspiring environment. YM has partnered with SWISS in hosting a weekly class focused on addressing Aqeedah hosted by Imam Suhaib. Along with this, members gain access to a plethora of resources and courses to better understand and implement Islam in thier life while also contributing to the community at large with their gained experience.

Murabbi Development Program (ICNA Chicago)

MDP is a high-quality program that aims to produce individuals who excel in community activism, mentorship, professional development, and community development. YM is proud to partner with MDP in providing foundational knowledge in the Quran, Sunnah, Islamic legal & civilizational system, Aqidah, Hadith, Tafsir, Islamic Thought, and more.

TISA - The Islamic Seminary of America

The Islamic Seminary of America focuses on cultivating generations of world-class thinkers and doers. YM has partnered with TISA to allow individuals to engage communities and tackle challenges from an Islamic paradigm in an ever-changing world.



PARTNERSHIPS AND ORGANIZATIONS



The vision we seek to bring to fruition goes beyond the organization we are part of, meaning that YM is not the ultimate goal, but rather a means and vehicle toward the true objective: Muslim youth who are firm in their faith and who contribute positively to society. Accordingly, we support efforts that help achieve these ends by increasing both quality and quantity, and we hope for the same in return.



OUR PARTNERSHIPS

NATIONAL AND LOCAL

- United States Council of Muslim Organizations (USCMO) - The USCMO which is an umbrella organizations that is made up of the largest and most impactful national Islamic organizations in the United States. YM has been a board member of this council since 2020.
- Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) - YM works extensively with ICNA, which is the parent organization of YM and the premier Islamic national grassroots organization in the country. The YM National Coordinator sits as a board member in the National Shura of ICNA.
- Miftaah Institute - YM visited the Miftaah conference in May of 2022 and spoke to the students about how to effectively start a successful muslim youth presence in the community. Local YM leadership are involved as volunteers in many of Miftaahs Conferences throughout the country.
- Yaqeen Institute - YM has been working side by side with Yaqeen on research projects and utilizing Yaqeen resources to enhance the quality of work we do on a week to week basis.
- MSA National - MSA National and YM currently maintain a working relationship, marked by collaborations on large events such as conferences and conventions. The goal of this relationship is to enhance Islamic work and tarbiyyah through joint efforts in political advocacy, mobilization, and community outreach. Looking ahead, the possible future involves deeper collaboration and overlap in these areas to amplify their impact on the Muslim community.
- Helping Hand for Relief and Development (HHRD) - YM has worked with HHRD numerous times over the last few years particularly at the local level as interns and volunteers. HHRD also sponsors YM members to have the opportunity to go on their Youth trips where they can see HHRDs operations, in 2024 brothers had the opportunity to visit Jordan and see the great work they do. Beyond that many YM Alumni now serve in key roles at this organization and HHRD has provided the opportunity for YM members to travel overseas and see the work that international relief organizations do.
- Intuitive Solutions - YM has worked extensively with Intuitive Solutions on developing a comprehensive and effective fund development strategy in order to ensure that YM is a sustainable organization for decades to come.
- Human Development Foundation - In 2024 YM Brothers and Sisters partnered with Human Development Fund for Gaza Week, a nationwide initiative focused on awareness, fundraising, and advocacy for the people of Gaza. With efforts such as tabling, Jummah Khutbas, and personal outreach Neighbornets across the country came to raise almost \$45,000 to help support their initiatives.



- Qalam Institute - YM has sponsored and facilitated the participation of our members in Qalam Institute intensives in Dallas, ranging from Seerah intensives to Qur'an intensives, with the goal of encouraging our members to pursue higher knowledge. We look forward to continuing to engage our members in seeking knowledge.
- ILF (Islamic Learning Foundation) - YM has partnered up with ILF on organizing many Islamic courses taught to different levels of YM members in order to increase their knowledge and help inform their actions. ILF has assisted YM in developing strong mentors.

OUR PARTNERSHIPS

NATIONAL AND LOCAL



- American Muslims for Palestine (AMP) - YM has partnered with the AMP several times. In October, YM worked with AMP to facilitate 70 members (the largest cohort) traveling to DC to participate in the annual Palestine Advocacy Day and training workshop. YM also attended the national protest for Palestine in Washington DC, which AMP spearheaded. We're especially looking to continue more collaborations this upcoming year.
- Khalil Center - YM has a partnership with the Khalil Center in which YM has access to some of the trained professionals Khalil Center has to offer in order to provide group therapy when required. The Khalil Center is also organizing a training for YM leaders to be prepared to be first level responders for youth with mental health concerns. The Khalil center also assisted with one of the webinars that YM organized to address common Muslim youth issues.
- WhyIslam - YM has worked with WhyIslam extensively in local chapters and have joined. WhyIslam on several Dawah trips. WhyIslam also organized several Dawah trainings for YM members to help us in learning the proper methodology to give Dawah.
- GainPeace - YM has worked with GainPeace in local chapters. GainPeace also organized several Dawah trainings for YM members to help us in learning the proper methodology to give Dawah. We have also run campaigns on social media with Gain Peace centered around gems from the Quran.
- Muslim Interscholastic Tournament (MIST) - YM has partnered with MIST in many localities and has provided participants, coaches, mentors, and judges to help high school muslim youth compete and express their creative talents.
- ICNA Relief - YM has worked with ICNA Relief on their "Back to School giveaway" in several locations. YM members assist ICNA Relief with many ad-hoc projects and have benefited from ICNA Relief tremendously in helping youth understand the importance of serving society.
- Local MSAs - YM members have joined MSAs throughout the country and are often in leadership positions in those MSAs. Organizationally, YM and MSA collaborate to help create events that benefit Muslim Youth at the college level.
- Family & Youth Institute (FYI) - YM after working with FYI and Yaqeen on a webinar surrounding the issue of pornography in 2022, is now working on building a closer relationship to help work on research and build towards more ways to address issues that Muslim youth face.
- AMHP (American Muslim Health Professionals) - The senior leadership of YM recently took a training for Mental Health First responders particularly focused on the Youth. A class of about 25 leaders from YM were certified by AMHP Alhamdulillah.
- Amana Mutual Funds Trust - YM has partnered with Amana to establish an Endowment account for future stability. We hope for this fund to continue to grow and provide resources for YM for years to come.

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