

Iraq
Chechnya

Livelihoods

Even in the poorest parts of the world people don't want 'hand-outs'. What they really want is the self-respect gained from earning their own living. Islamic Relief shares this basic human instinct. It believes in helping people to help themselves through income generation projects: local people using their skills and resources to set up small businesses (e.g Kashmir crafts). This provides jobs for the community.



Campaigning

Let's get real! Eradicating world poverty is a huge and complex task - which is where you and I come in. Islamic Relief works with organisations like Christian Aid, Jubilee Debt Campaign, Oxfam, Make Poverty History, Unicef and CAFOD. By working together locally, nationally and globally, we can challenge the root causes of poverty; such as world debt, trade injustice, climate change, AIDS etc...



Through its 12 fundraising offices across the globe, Islamic Relief staff and volunteers fundraise tirelessly enabling field staff to work on the ground in over 28 countries worldwide. Islamic Relief works together with local partners and authorities to ensure resources are distributed effectively.

Want to find out more?

Need some facts and figures for a project?

How about interviewing someone from Islamic Relief?

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Ethiopia
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Somalia

Dying for a drink?



So are they...

Kashmir

Niger

Chad

Iraq

Sudan

Afghanistan

Jordan

Indonesia

But it's not all about water!

Find out more...

Islamic Relief – a UK-based humanitarian aid charity keeping poor and suffering communities afloat worldwide.

Indonesia

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From just a drop....

Islamic Relief began in 1984, when Dr. Hany El Banna, a young medical student, visited Sudan. After his visit he desperately wanted to raise funds to help the suffering, drought-stricken people. The first donation was just 20p!

....to a constant stream

Today, Islamic Relief distributes millions of pounds around the globe, reaching the people who need it most.

Kashmir

But why?

Caring for humans, no matter what age, creed, colour or race, is at the centre of the Muslim faith. Wherever there are needs, whatever they may be (food, clothing, shelter, education and the dignity to be paid fairly for a day's work), they are all basic human rights that Islamic Relief supports.

"And if anyone saved a life, it would be as if he saved the life of the whole of humanity."
(The Qur'an, chapter 5, verse 32)

Emergency Relief

Unfortunately it's become a regular headline: '*Yet another Humanitarian Disaster*'. It's a relief to know that Islamic Relief is always on standby. The priority is to provide the basic necessities of food, water, shelter and medical care to as many people as possible and in the shortest time after a disaster strikes.



Health

Without good health you simply wouldn't be able to do much – well, you know that! Sound health really is the most precious thing we have. Islamic Relief provides vital medication and health education throughout deprived parts of the world. Mobile hospitals, vaccinations, training local people and setting up clinics are just some of the projects managed by Islamic Relief.

Ethiopia

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Education

'Do I have to go to school?' We might whinge and whine about school sometimes, but 121 million children are out of education worldwide! In the poorer parts of the world, providing schools and the opportunity to learn is the long-term investment that Islamic Relief is making to break the shackles of poverty.

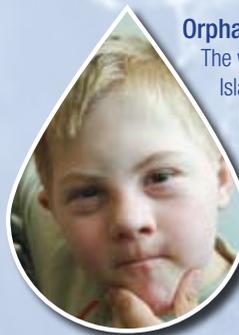


Water and Sanitation

How far did you have to go for your water today? Walked up to the kitchen sink perhaps? Children in parts of Malawi walk an average of 3kms every morning to collect dirty water for their families to drink, cook and wash with. It's no surprise that water-borne diseases kill thousands every day.



Through various water projects, Islamic Relief provides communities with clean and safe water. Projects include digging wells, building water supply systems, and creating sanitation facilities which allows communities continuous access to clean water.



Orphan Sponsorship

The world can be a dark, lonely and hopeless place for orphans. Islamic Relief's Orphans and Children's Fund focuses on education, health, social welfare, and on sports & leisure activities. Over 21,000 orphans are sponsored in 20 different countries.

By caring for the orphans, their families are given opportunities for vocational training and work-related projects to boost their income. This then gives them hope for the future.

"The best of you is he (or she) who is of most benefit to others."
(saying of Prophet Muhammad)