



Meeting the Needs

of Humanity with Kindness and Compassion Driven By Faith

In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

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Assalamu 'Alaikum Warahmatullah Wa Barakatuh
May peace and blessings be upon you and your family.

Ramadan Mubarak!

It is with profound gratitude to Allah Subhanawata 'alaa that we at AH embrace your care and support to the ones in dire need. Thank you for being an integral part of uplifting the weak, educating the youth, easing the financial burdens of the sick, comforting the orphans, and caring for the most vulnerable.

We continue to amplify our networking within the existing countries we work in. Our Project Managers and volunteers strive to be reliable resources by connecting with the most vulnerable. It is imperative to undertake the work with sincerity and compassion. In some cases, we take extra measures to remain aligned with our commitment to protect the needy with dignity. For example, our volunteers make house visits at night to maintain privacy. In other cases, our volunteers have courageously travelled alongside treacherous roads with no guardrails in the mountainside to reach remote villages such as in Buner, Pakistan. There, the volunteers directly engaged with survivors and listened to their heart-wrenching stories, which are highlighted as you read on.

Our team has collaborated to skillfully share the stories in this magazine to accurately report back to you. Volunteers are thus able to share both their experiences and recipients' emotions meaningfully. Interconnectedness and teamwork are core to what we do at AH; from the field to the page, we are blessed to bring forth to you the results of your Zakaah. Do keep in mind that our administrative and field work are volunteer-based.

On behalf of our team, I wholeheartedly thank you and pray that our deeds are beloved and accepted by Allah. May our sacrifices and giving compassionately gain us nearness to Allah, Ameen.

Sincerely,

Zeleea Hack
Executive Director (Volunteer)



Orphans & Children in Need

The AH Orphans Fund brings hope to orphans around the world like Muskan in Pakistan, whose heart surgery was fully covered by AH. Muskan is a sweet, shy 10-year old orphan who lives with her uncle. After her father died, her mother remarried and abandoned her completely as her step-father refused to provide for Muskan as his own. Unfortunately, she took ill and was diagnosed with a hole in her heart and required a critical surgery that her family was unable to pay for. The only hospital offering the surgery is located four hours away. Br. Rahman (AH volunteer) accompanied them to the hospital. AH paid for the entire surgery, recovery medicines, and food. Muskan is currently recovering from the procedure and is excited to begin school after the winter holidays. Muskan constantly makes dua for you, the donors. Because of your support, she felt cared for during such a frightening time in her life. Jazakumullah khairan.

Suggested donations are \$50 USD per month, as the children's needs are variable.



OUR MISSION

To provide support to struggling individuals and families so that they can sustain themselves, build assets and acquire self-sufficiency to improve their standard of living.

OUR VISION

We believe that your donations can create a brighter future for those who live in the wells of darkness. We hope that everyone who we encounter can experience life at its fullest as they work to reach their potential.

OUR FOUNDATION IS TRUST

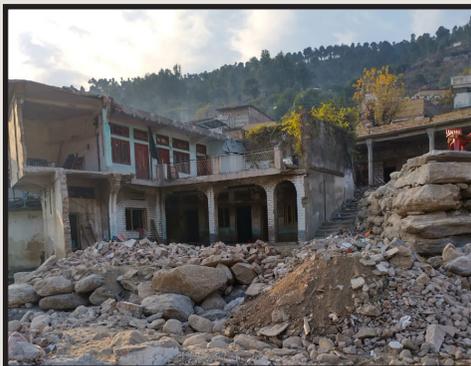
Empowering the Poor and Needy with Dignity and Respect.

Disaster Relief

Since Pakistan's deadliest flooding in 2023, over 33 million people have suffered detrimental losses. These same communities were ravaged again in June and August 2025, where flooding has displaced families especially in Buner and the Swat Valley. Huge rocks moved by the deadly waters have destroyed homes and roads leaving families washed out, homeless, and stuck purely in survival mode. AH has deepened collaboration with local volunteers to identify over 90 affected families and to distribute emergency cash assistance in both Swat Valley and Buner Districts. High up in both mountainside districts, the destruction is clear.



Many survivors are now alone, like a mute brother who lost his children, wife, father, and brother. All of the families are still reeling from the aftershocks of the previous season's monsoons as they battle this season's flash floods and landslides. Parents were looking forward to raising livestock and sending their children to school. Now, they are mourning the loss of their entire families, often between 3 to 30 members at once. There is no space to process the immense grief as they search for clean water, sanitary needs, mosquito nets, and other urgent needs. As it is now winter, vulnerable families are additionally in desperate need of groceries, tents, bedding, clothes, and other critical supplies while they navigate homelessness in the elements. Your donations are crucial during this time, especially as many are defenseless against the wind and cold in countryside villages.





Cloudburst Aftermath

Pictured here are some of the blankets purchased for families after the rapid plunge in temperatures.



Wrapped in Warmth: Reaching Children in Taounate's Coldest Days

When unexpected freezing weather struck remote villages near Taounate, Morocco, children and families faced harsh conditions with little protection. AH responded immediately, sending teams to deliver warm clothing, socks, blankets, and essential food items directly to those in need. The impact was immediate—children were wrapped in warmth, families received nourishment, and communities felt relief and renewed hope during a difficult time. Because of AH, children in Taounate's surrounding villages faced the cold with dignity, warmth, and the reassurance that they were not forgotten.

A psychiatrist from the USA made a service trip to Bangladesh. He provided psychological evaluations and support for students at AH Special Needs School.



Medical Aid

'Ali bin Abu Talib (May Allah be pleased with him) reported: I heard the Messenger of Allah (swt) saying, "When a Muslim visits a sick Muslim at dawn, seventy thousand angels keep on praying for him till dusk. If he visits him in the evening, seventy thousand angels keep on praying for him till the morning; and he will have (his share of) reaped fruits in Jannah." [At- Tirmidhi].

In many corners of the globe, access to life-saving medicine is both expensive and scarce. In most countries, patients cannot receive care nor a room unless their fees are paid upfront. The AH Medical Program addresses this gap in care to provide life-saving medicine and comprehensive wellness check-ins that shine a light during dark times.



After this elderly man's doctor appointment, he attempted to hail a taxi to no avail for over 40 mins. Every taxi driver who drove by refused to take him because he did not have the fare. An AH volunteer took notice of this elderly man and approached him. Upon inquiry, our volunteer felt sorrowful to hear of the man's mistreatment; with no hesitation, our volunteer took him home and gave him money to buy food.



Abdullah, a 23-year old brain cancer patient in **Pakistan**, required surgery to remove a tumor. One year after he was diagnosed, he lost his vision, hearing, and speech. AH covered the entire cost of the surgery. After the surgery, he continues to have immense pain and AH supplements him with pain relief medication and diapers. Additionally, our AH volunteers holistically support his emotional well-being with home visits. They ensure privacy by visiting at nighttime so that neighbors are not aware of the assistance they receive.



In **Egypt**, an 11-year-old boy was diagnosed with a brain tumor that rendered him deaf and mute. AH funded the cost of his surgery to remove the tumor. Following the surgery, he has regained his speech. AH also paid for a cochlear implant, which enables him to hear again. This child needs your continued support for his medical care.



In **Guinea**, AH financially supported the construction of a community health center, which is staffed by volunteer doctors. The center offers free healthcare to underserved patients in the village and surrounding areas. While AH has purchased core medical equipment, additional beds and essential supplies are still needed to fully complete the facility. **Your support would be crucial to the successful operation of this community health center.**



Abdessamad, a ten-year-old in **Morocco**, was diagnosed with cervico-dorso-lumbar scoliosis, a severe spinal condition that required immediate treatment to prevent mobility loss. The needed body cast and medical care cost far beyond what his hardworking parents could afford. AH stepped in at this critical moment, paid the full cost of the body cast and ensured that Abdessamad could remain under his doctor's care throughout his recovery. Today, **Abdessamad has a real chance to grow, learn, and dream like any other child his age.** His story reflects the heart of AH: providing relief when families face precarity and walking alongside them every step of the way.

Please note: in order to preserve the dignity of our recipients, we do not publish their photos.

Education

AH Education Program is rooted in the realization that schools and intellectual ventures are meaningfully unique spaces. The Program aims to nurture the conditions for students to be their best selves as students and not to worry about survival. We continue to provide hot lunches for students with disabilities, fund tutoring services and essential school supplies. Learners thrive when they can focus on their educational and vocational goals.

In the past years, AH has received several requests from graduating high school students who have excelled academically from low-income backgrounds. They are awarded full-tuition scholarships to prestigious universities and often need assistance with housing and living expenses. AH recognizes the myriad of factors that impact educational success and therefore, helps numerous students take advantage of the opportunities they are presented with. For example, one student graduated as the valedictorian of her high school & needed funds to embark upon her move to college. She was able to establish her footing with your Zakaah.

In 2022, another student received a full scholarship for university in NY, at the same time her family was forced to leave NY due to the high cost of living. Her choices were to either move with her family and lose the scholarship granted to her or find the means to support her housing and daily meals. This is when AH committed to financially and morally supporting her through the four years. She remains grateful and in awe of your contributions that impacted the pathway of her future. Insha Allah, she will graduate in May 2026!



Graduating Hafizh students in Egypt received certificates, masha Allah. **Their achievements are yours as well, as your Zakaah significantly sustains the Qur'an memorization program.**



A Valued Reminder: Sweet Steps to Change

Nurturing youth & cultivating strong character is foundational to the educational experience, and students themselves deeply understand this as well. They inspire all of us at AH to expand our ability to empathize across borders; at Al-Ihsan Academy in Queens, NY, for example, they have done just that. Seniors at the Academy recognized how mutual aid provides an infrastructural base for collective care. Recently, they organized and directed a bake sale fundraiser for the Quran Memorization School for the Blind

in Bangladesh. The proceeds were completely allocated toward clothes, school supplies, and hot meals. **At their tender age, it is profoundly moving to witness their compassion for students who are unable to access the same privileges as they do here in the USA.** The students in Bangladesh, pictured here, were sincerely appreciative & felt the love extended toward them. This work creates ripple effects whereby all of us model for our youth the pertinence of education & empathy.

Wheels of Hope

Nine-year-old disabled Mohammed dreamt of going to school but could only attend when his mother, a housekeeper, was able to carry him on her back. Without a wheelchair, his regular attendance was impossible and no one in the low-income community could help. AH paid for a specialist visit that volunteers arranged, and bought a wheelchair suitable for Mohammed. When Mohammed arrived at school by himself in **his wheelchair, the entire school celebrated.** Today, he consistently attends school, supported by classmates who proudly take turns pushing him to school. Because of AH and your giving, **Mohammed's journey to independence and education now moves forward on wheels.**

This elegant bag was designed and woven by students at AH vocational school in **Bangladesh**. Our daily craft school empowers women to support their families sustainably. The design process is highly technical and includes imagining, sketching, considering materials, assembling, and refining. The women are not formally educated and priorly unskilled, so it is challenging to teach a skillset that includes measurements and calculations. Ultimately, they persevered and collaborated to create beautiful crafts using local jute fibers. As a gesture of appreciation, the students were proud and excited to showcase their work to AH. Our volunteer remarked, "Your appreciation is a great recognition of their long-term practice and efforts. With AH support, these women have found a way to survive and have been able to overcome uncertainty.."

Skills Training

Now in its ninth year of operation, the AH Golden Needle School in **Cambodia** continues to structurally support students in their pursuit of self-sufficiency as contributing members of society. Through frequent partnerships with local orphanages, the seamstresses provide children with brand-new khimars, dresses, shirts, and pants. This collaboration not only supports those in need but also instills in vocational students a lasting sense of compassion and social responsibility as they develop the skills needed to build independent futures.

In **Guinea**, AH subsidizes a sewing school at which students also pursue Qur'an memorization and Islamic studies. Upon graduation, the students travel to nearby Senegal, where there are more job opportunities, and they can send remittances back to their families.



SubhanAllah, your investment in the AH crafts schools has generated opportunities for women. Their training in design distinguishes them in the job market. They can now present themselves as confident, grounded, and prepared for employment.



Students receive new garments from AH Cambodia Golden Needle School seamstresses!

Self-Sufficiency

Resettling Refugees via Microfinance

In Florida, AH financed the launch of a refugee family's cleaning business. AH was able to provide a donated car for the father to continue working as an Uber driver. However, the car's maintenance expenses became unsustainable and unprofitable. The family had already been cleaning houses to support each other; they laid out a business plan and asked AH for a small investment to start a professional cleaning business. With the investment, they bought cleaning supplies, uniforms, and commercial machinery, etc. They are determined to establish a profitable family business and stand on their own without AH help.



In Bangladesh, AH financed the launch of this grocery store, which is now thriving.

The Essence of Zakaah

In Guinea, a brother was struggling to feed his family. He needed a motorcycle for vending and transporting, which AH bought for him. Now self-employed, he is now less distressed as he provides for his family.





Embodiment of Mercy

An AH volunteer encountered this elderly brother rummaging in the trash for bottles and scraps to sell so that he could buy groceries for his family. Our volunteer then took him to the grocery store to select the food items he needed. With your Zakaah, the items were purchased for him. This elderly brother left the store feeling grateful to Allah and relieved as he returned to his family.



Weathering the Winter

This elderly man was walking around in the freezing temperatures with broken open-toed shoes. AH purchased a warm pair of shoes to soothe the calluses and corn on his feet. This is an example of how our volunteers actively look out for those most in need, even when they do not ask for help or complain about their circumstances.



In **Guyana**, AH rebuilt this home for a poor widow after it began to crumble and was unsafe to live in.

Housing

In **Guinea**, this house was destroyed by a fire. It was an intergenerational home sheltering several families. The sisters living here are counting on your Zakaah to complete the reconstruction. Kindly consider donating to the Housing Fund so that they can return to their home.



AH paid for the roof construction of a house in **Egypt**, where a father with a disability lives with his wife and five children. This father sustained a fall from a building that resulted in the partial amputation of his leg. Since the accident, he has been unable to work, while his wife takes on occasional house-cleaning jobs to support the family. AH ascertained that there is a need to add this family to our monthly financial program. With your generosity, we will be able to do so.

In **Bangladesh**, AH built this house for the Muazzin and his family. He takes care of the Masjid property.



Refugee Camps



Water and Well Fund:

Sustainable Solutions For Healthy Communities

In refugee camps, water contamination poses a deadly threat. Girls often lack access to basic hygiene, and dehydration is a constant risk. **AH is pleased to purchase and distribute potable water monthly in the camps as a part of global WASH endeavors.**



A Well of Life:

Bringing Water and Dignity to a Remote Village

Nearly 100 kilometers from the closest city in northwestern Morocco, approximately 40 families lived without reliable access to clean water. Children and adults spent hours each day walking long distances just to obtain water. AH paid an engineer to assess the land and confirm that a sustainable well could be built. Dedicated volunteers secured the necessary permits, and AH covered the full cost of materials and labor for the project. Today, the well is fully operational and provides clean water directly to the village. More than a well, this project is a lifeline – one that gives an entire community the foundation to thrive.

Volunteers prepare hot meals for refugees in camps.



Grocery Hamper

Every year, the Grocery Hamper Program is extensively coordinated with on-the-ground volunteers to distribute much needed ingredients to families and children. AH has importantly contributed to the falling hunger and food insecurity levels in the past years. Your compassion for the hungry and needy permits our expansion into various countries, including Bangladesh, Guyana, Pakistan, Cambodia and Morocco. Each country's groceries vary culturally and all packages supply staple dietary items: grains, oil, and beans or legumes. Impoverished families, many with more than three children, benefit exceedingly from being able to nourish their families. Generally, the distribution takes place as close to the community as possible, whether high in the rural mountains of Morocco or deep in the desert with refugee camps.



SADAQATUL FITR:

\$15 per person
(Distributed in grains)

FIDYAH:

\$12 per day (This is for those unable to fast due to illness or old age)

IFTAR:

Donate to the Iftar fund (No specific cost)

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