

# Our Agenda

In light of Quran and Sunnah

In the Name of Allāh, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful. Dear Respected Brothers and Sisters, Peace be upon you. Allāh Subhanahu wa ta'la said in Quran al Karim "The successful is the one who will be able to save himself from The Hell fire and who will be granted entry in to The Paradise." (Surah Ali-'Imran 185) In this verse, Allāh (SWT) clearly states who is going to succeed and who is going to fail. Now the question is how we can save ourselves from The Hell Fire and enter Paradise? Allāh (SWT) in The Quran answered this question. "Oh you who have believed, enter into Islam completely [and perfectly] and do not follow the footsteps of Satan. Indeed, he is to you a clear enemy." (Surah Al-Emran: 208).

Allāh (SWT) commanded us to implement the teachings of Islam in our personal lives as well as reach out to others in order to spread the beauty of Islam. To protect our core beliefs and to develop

the best character, we have to work together. It is our responsibility to make sure the future generation grows up as men and women of character. We need to come forward if we want to save them. We need to find solutions collectively. We need to save our community and society at large.

So, we need to develop ourselves as true Muslims and spread the great teachings of Islam to others. No one person can reach out to mankind alone and spread the teachings of Islam. That is why we need a unified effort and that is the order of Allāh (SWT). In order to facilitate this task, Muslim Ummah of North America (MUNA) was founded. The objective of MUNA is to promote individuals to govern their personal lives according to the teachings of Islam, reach out to others, and spread the teachings of Islam using the best judgement, best character while keeping the reality of American society in mind. Join Muslim Ummah of North to take part in great responsibility. The following is the core agenda that this organization revolves its activities around:

## Five Agenda of MUNA:

The Five Agendas adopted by Muslim Ummah of North America (MUNA) is scientific and in accordance with Quran & Sunnah. If we look into history, we will find that the movement led by Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) to establish Islam had similar agendas.

Here are the 5 agendas in brief:

1. Da'wah (Invite people to Islam)
2. Organization
3. Education
4. Social Service
5. Relationship

## **First Agenda: Da'wah (Invite people to Islam)**

“To call Muslims to practice the commandments of Islam and to introduce Islam to the non-Muslims”

The Meaning of the word “Da'wah” is to call, to invite people. All the prophets and the messengers called people to Islam and towards the path of Allāh. Even the Prophet (PBUH) himself identified himself as a “Da'ee illallāh” means “Caller to the way of Allāh.” **Allāh (SWT) also said,**

To invite to the way of Allāh is an obligation (Fard): “Invite to the way of your Lord with wisdom and good instruction, and argue with them in a way that is best. Indeed, your Lord is most knowing of who has strayed from His way, and He is most knowing of who is [rightly] guided.” (Surah An-Nahl: 125)

1. To invite to the way of Allāh is the best deed: “And who is better in speech than one who invites to Allāh and does righteousness and says, "Indeed, I am of the Muslims." (Surah Ha Meem As-Sajdah (Fussilat:22)

2. Purpose of Human Creation: “You are the best nation that ever existed among humanity. You command people to good and prohibit them from evil, and you believe in God.” (Surah Al-Emran:110)

3. Means of Continuous reward: Abu Hurairah (Ra) narrates, Rasulullā h (PBUH) said: “If a person is guided by Allāh (SWT) because of the invitation of another person, the reward for the person who invited is equal to all the rewards of the person who is guided. It does not reduce the reward of the guided person at all.” (Sahih Bukhari)

4. Consequence of Not Inviting to the way of Allāh: Narrated by Abu Huzaiifah (Ra), Prophet (PBUH) said: “I swear by Allāh, on whose hand my life rests, you must command people to good and prohibit them from evil. Otherwise, you will face the wrath from Allāh (SWT). Then, you will be paying to get protection from the wrath, but your prayer will not be answered.” (Tirmidhi)

## **Second Agenda: Organization:**

“To organize those individuals under this organization, who are interested in working for the betterment of themselves and for the society.”

Islam does not permit a Mu'min to live all by himself. But Allāh (SWT) commanded all Muslim men and women to live united. We are now presenting to you the importance of organization in light of The Quran and Sunnah.

1. It is obligatory to be part of an organization: “And hold firmly to the rope of Allāh all together and do not become divided” (Surah Ali-'Imran: 103)

2. Means of finding the right path: “And hold firmly to the rope of Allāh all together and do not become divided” (Surah Al-Emran:101)

3. To get the love of Allāh: “Indeed, Allāh loves those who fight in His cause in a row as

though they are a [single] structure joined firmly.” (Surah As-Saaf: 4)

4. To get the blessings of Allāh “So those who believe in Allāh and hold fast to Him - He will admit them to mercy from Himself and bounty and guide them to Himself on a straight path.” (Surah An-Nisa: 175)

5. Leaving organization is equivalent to leaving Islam: Narrated by Abu Zar Gifari (Ra), Prophet (PBUH) said: “If a person leaves even a yard from the organization (Community), is as if he detached the rope of Islam from his neck.” (Ahmad, Abu Dawood)

6. There is no Islam without organization: Omar Faruq (Ra) narrates: “There is no Islam without organization, there is no organization without leadership, there is no leadership without following” (Asar)

**Third Agenda: Education** “To strive to improve an individual’s life through acquiring Islamic knowledge and skills.”

1. The first revelation to Prophet (PBUH) was “Read”. Allāh (SWT) said “Read in the name of your Lord, who created you” (Surah Al-‘Alaq:1)

2. Rasullullah (PBUH) was sent as a teacher: “It is He who has sent among the unlettered a Messenger from themselves reciting to them. His verses and purifying them and teaching them the Book and wisdom - although they were before in clear error” (Surah Al-Jumu’ah: 2)

3. He, who knows and he, who does not know can’t be the same: “Are those who know equal to those who do not know? Only the people of reason take heed” (Surah Az-Zumar: 9)

4. The teaching of The Quran is the teaching of Allāh: “The Most Merciful. Taught the Qur’an, Created man, [And] taught him eloquence.” (Surah Ar-Rahman:1-4)



5. Seeking knowledge is obligatory: Anas (Ra) narrates, Rasulullah (PBUH) said: "Seeking knowledge is obligatory for all Muslims." (Ibn Majah)

6. The best among you is the one who teaches Quran: Anas (Ra) narrates, Rasulullah (PBUH) said: "The best among you is the one who learns Quran and teaches others." (Bukhari)

7. A man of Character is a believer: Abu Hurairah (Ra) narrates, Rasulullah (PBUH) said: "Among the Mu'min, the one who would be the best in terms of moral character would achieve perfection of belief." (Mishqat)

8. A man of Character is the best one: Abdullah Ibn Amr (Ra) narrates, Rasulullah (PBUH) said: "The best among you is the one who is the best in terms of character." (Bukhari, Muslim)

9. Research on Deen is better than Nawafil: Abdullah Ibn Abbas (Ra) narrates, Rasulullah (PBUH) said: "Spending a portion of the night in research of Deen or discussing

about Deen is superior to spending all night in voluntary worship.” (Dharami)

**Fourth Agenda: Social Welfare** “To carry out social welfare services for the development of the society.” Social welfare in light of The Quran and Hadith

1. Creation of Mankind is for the benefit of Mankind: “You are the best nation that ever existed among humanity. You command people to good and prohibit them from evil, and you believe in God.” (Surah Al-Imran:110)

2. It is the habit of inhabitants of The Hell Fire not to feed the distress: “Indeed, he did not used to believe in Allāh, the Greatest, nor did he encourage the feeding of the poor.” (Surah Al-Haqqah: 33- 34)

3. Give Rights to the deprived: “And from their properties was [given] the right of the [needy] petitioner and the deprived.” (Surah Adh-Dharyat: 19)

4. To help the deprived is similar to struggling in the path of Allāh: Abu Hurairah (Ra) narrates, Rasulullah (PBUH) said: “The one who takes care of the poor, need, deprived, and widows – he is similar to the person struggling in the path of Allāh.” (Bukhari, Muslim).

**Fifth Agenda: Relationship with each other:**

“To try to develop mutually beneficial relationships with different organizations, religious and ethnic communities and neighbors.” Believers are brothers to each other: “The believers are but brothers, so make settlement between your brothers. And fear Allāh that you may receive mercy.” (Surah Al-Hujurat: 10)

1. Relationship is a blessing from Allāh SWT):  
“And remember the favor of Allāh upon you - when you were enemies and He brought your hearts together and you became, by His favor, brothers. And you were on the edge of a pit of the Fire, and He saved you from it. Thus, does Allāh make clear to you His verses that you may be guided.” (Surah Al- Emran:103)

2. Be just with everyone: “Worship Allāh and associate nothing with Him, and to parents

do good, and to relatives, orphans, the needy, the near neighbor, the neighbor farther away, the companion at your side, the traveler, and those whom your right hands possess. Indeed, Allāh does not like those who are self-deluding and boastful.” (Surah Nisa: 36)

3. Love for the sake of Allāh: Abu Hurairah (Ra) narrates, Rasulullah (PBUH) said: “On the day of Judgment, Allāh (SWT) will say that those who loved each other for the sake of my greatness, where are you today? Today, I will give you protection under my shade when there will be no other shades.” (Muslim)

4. Rasulullah (PBUH) commanded us to be nice to people of other faith: Rasulullah (PBUH) said: “Remember, if any Muslim oppresses any non-Muslim, violates the right of any non-Muslim, or snatches away goods from any non-Muslim, on the Day of Judgment, I will take the side of that non-Muslim person.” (Abu Dawood)

Come for the truth, for the betterment, for the protection from Hell Fire. Let’s work together in calling people to the path of Allāh (SWT) with Muslim Ummah of North America (MUNA). Oh Allāh, enable us to work in your path so that we can seek your pleasure. Ameen.



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