

ATTAWHEED ISLAMIC CENTER

TOWN HALL MEETING MARCH 17, 2023





Q&A



History at glance

- Founded in 1995 by Saudi students attending CMU and UPitt
- Originally the masjid was operated in a space above car shop on the Banksville Rd
- Officially moved to the current location Carnegie in 2011
- Congregation grew from roughly 50-75 congregants to over 700 congregants today (Jumu'ah prayer as benchmark)
- Weekend School: Current enrollment ~ 180 students





•Providing Islamic religious education according to the ways of *ahlu assunnah* wa aljamaa (the followers of Sunnah of the Prophet, peace be upon him, and his four companions who ruled after him), to Muslims residing in West Pittsburgh and within reaching distance.

•Providing services that requires an Islamic doctrine adherence including funeral/burial, matrimonial, and advice on Islamic family and social issues.

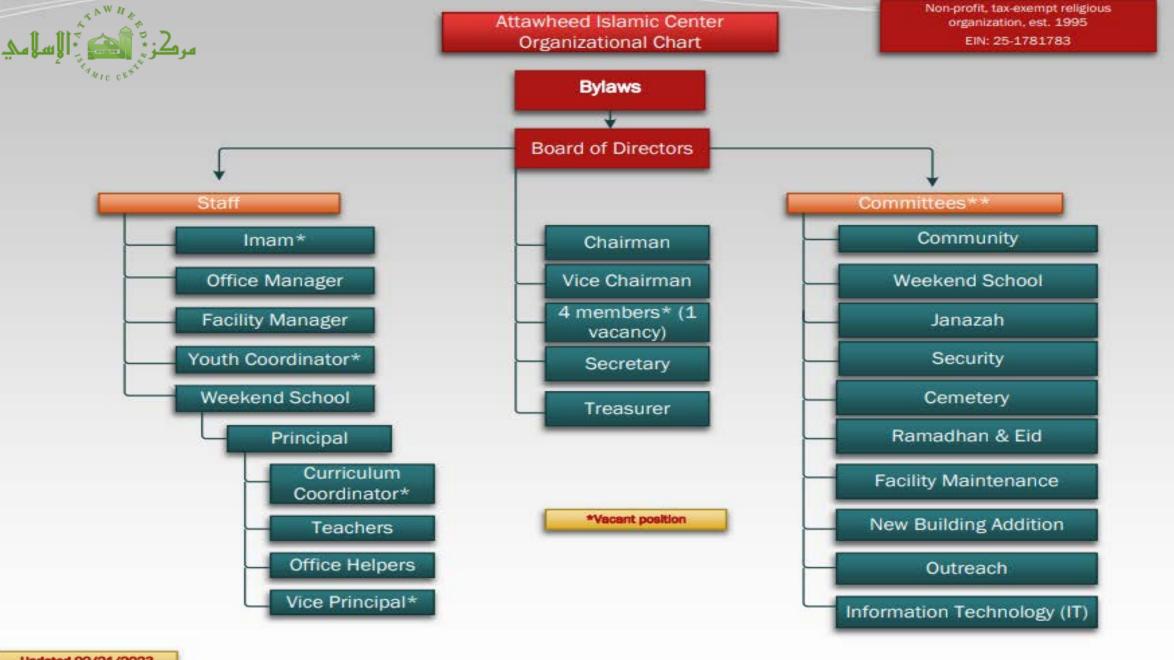
•Connecting with Muslims and making dawa in Western and Southern suburbs of Pittsburgh.

•Providing Islamic environment and education to children.

•Participating in and fostering the brotherhood bond among various Islamic centers and Masaajid as an essential prerequisite component of unity.



•Providing dawa (invitation to Islam) to non-Muslims.



Meet our Board Members



Dr. Ala' Hajdarwish
Chairman and President



Edvin Music Vice-President



Dr. Khalid KamalBoard Director



Dr. Al-Walid MohsenBoard Director



Vacant Position
Board Director



Hafeez Ajenifuja
Board Director



Sheik Sulaiman Secretary



Dr. Jahangir KabirBoard Director



Mahmoud Zalloum
Treasurer





Open Positions:

AIC Imam
AIC Director
Youth Coordinator
Weekend School:
Vice Principal: 2023-2024

Curriculum Coordinator: 2023-2024

Salamai J Zamal

Office Manager

Bilquees Gulam

Sunday School Vice Principal

Rob

Facility Manager

Amira Hassanin

volunteer Principal

Teachers:

Farhat Shaheen

Fautma Eshnuk

Hamnah Altaf

Mona Abdelhady

Nassima Amirat

Olfa Mejri

Raneem Shedeed

Rawan Al-Shaer

Ruba Nasbat

Samah Malas

Samreen Jafar Inamdar

Sonia Zouaghi

Toni Ashfaq





AIC Committees

Community Committee	Cemetery	Weekend School	Security	Janazah and Ghusl
Ameerah Tijani	Eyas Azzuni	Amira Hassanin	Ala Hajdarwish	Salamai J Zamal
Afrah Abdulkader Heba Asmar Fautma Eshnuk Huma Vahora Salamai J Zamal	Ala Hajdarwish Hussain Khan Shah Haque Edvin Music Jahangir Kabir M. Zalloum Khalid Kamal	Bilquees Gulam Rema Abdin Ruba Nashbat Sherif Khattab Khalid Kamal Salamai J Zamal	M. Eshnuk Khurram Ali Edvin Music Hafeez Hussain Khan Shahab Khan Ty McCellies Adeel Haqu Khalid Kamal	Elhaj Rafic Tauheed Sajid Shahab Sulaiman Faizan Jafar Nusrat Ayesha Mishaal Talibah Maryam, et al

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AIC Committees

Imam Search	Outreach/Dawah	Information Technology	Activities and Events	Speakers Welcoming
Hussain Khan Issam Aldari Kadir Gundaz Sherif Khattab Rustam Ahmedov Mohamad Eshnuk Mizanoor Ahamed Rifai Ibrahim Al Soud Zafar Syed	Buba Misawa Sharif Khatab Al-Walid Mohsen Arif Al-Kamal M. Eshnuk Rafic Nasser Vijay	Edvin Music Sheik Sulaiman Rafic Rustam Ahmedov Jafar Inamdar Zafar Syed Hafeez	Ameerah Salamai Afrah Abdulkader Heba Asmar Fautma Eshnuk Huma Vahora Zafar Syed Rafic Jabbar Dr Sherif Jafar Mahaboob	Sherif Khattab Al-Walid Mohsen Asif Faizan Jafar Eshnuk Nasser Sarfroz Tawheed Zafar Syed Ahsan Ahamed Sulaiman Sheik Sulaiman



New AIC Committees

Youth Committee	Maintenance Committee	Planning Committee	Finance Committee



Key activities and Events during the last one year:

- Quran Miracle Fair
- Arabic Spelling Bee
- Book Fair
- Health class for girls by Dr Huma
- Parenting Workshop
- Youth halaqahs on various topics throughout the year such as stories of the sahabah and sahabiyat
- Friday Family Fun in the park all summer
- 2022 3 days AIC Summer Camp in OHIO
- Hajj Camp
- Weekend School
- Qur'aan programs
- Ladies Halaqah
- Community Potlucks











Enrollment Trend

2019/2020: 224

2021-2022: 150

2022-2023: 180

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Curriculum

Building a strong foundation for understanding Quranic Arabic – Process of reading & learning conversational skills along with reading and writing

"Yaqeen Institute for Islamic Research" curriculum for Islamic Studies

Curriculum Focus

Islamic Studies (Tarbiyah)

Quran (Recitation and understanding)

Arabic (Fluency in reading and writing)

Teachers & Staff

Regular principal led sessions after school

Professional Development Training from Guest Speakers: Dr. Ghazali and Dr Rihabi

Former students as volunteers (4)

Enhancing Classroom Experience

Chromebooks, Smart TVs, Video Presentations, etc

Active learning through interactions and projects



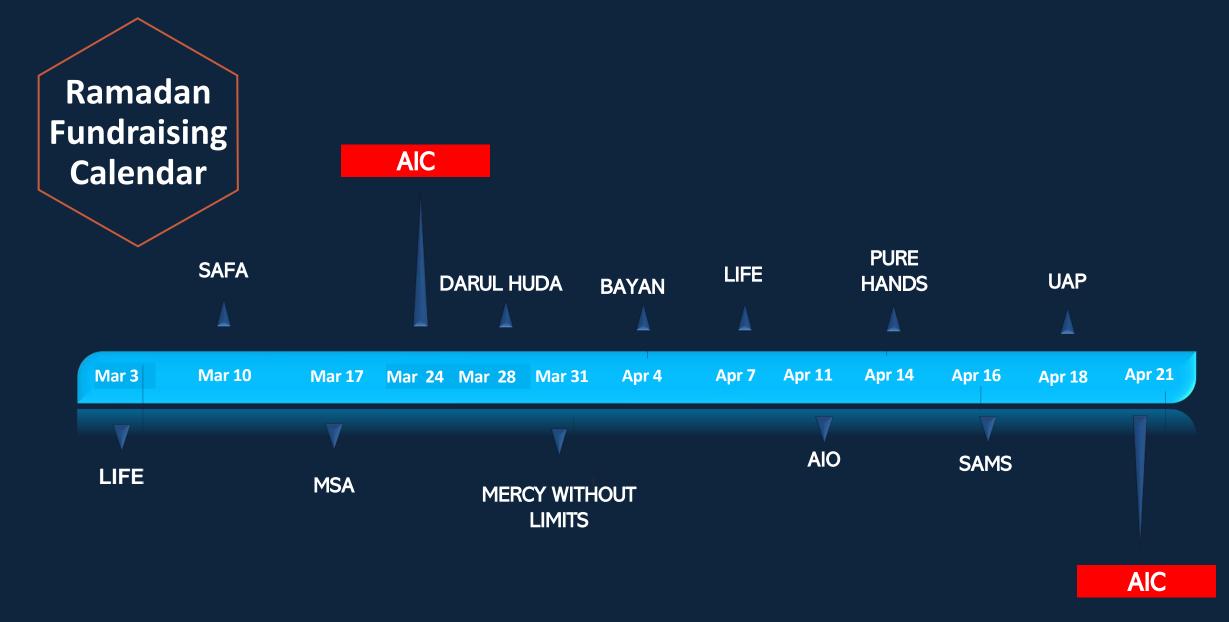






- Sheikh AbidAlRahman Alsmari will be the Taraweeh Imam
 - Lead the Taraweeh prayer in every night of Ramadan
 - Lead the Qiyam-ul Layl prayer in the last 10 nights of Ramadan
- Ramadan Fundraising
- In-house Iftaar
 - Iftaar Donation Sign-ups
- Ramadan Activities
 - Taraweeh Trivia
 - Quran Competition and Ramadan Quiz
 - Laylatul Qadr Program
 - Khatirah and Quran after Fajr
 - Witr
- Babysitting
- Parking and Security
- Eid Prayer and Events in the park







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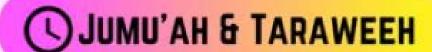
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Ramadan Fundraiser 2023 | 1444 AH



FRIDAY, MARCH 24



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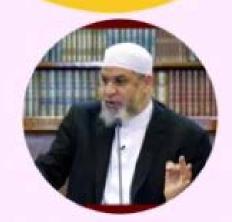


SHEIKH KARIM ABUZAID

Build a house in jannah

Ibn Maajah (738) narrated from Jaabir the Abdullah (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allah (Messings and peace of Allah be upon him) said. Wherever builds a mesque for the sake of Allah, like a sparrow's next or even smaller, Allah will build for him a house in Faradise."

Classed as subsets by al-Albaani.



Imam, founder, and director of CMCC of Aurora, Colorado, cofounder, executive member, and Director of Religious Affairs of Salahuddin Future Academy (SAFA USA)





- Centralized IT services for masjid needs through IT Committee
- All the masjid activities and actions are tracked in Microsoft Projects
- Most of the special events are live streaming in Facebook currently. In YouTube soon.
- Zoom, Microsoft, Quickbooks, Paypal, Zelle services are used
- Internet upgrade
 - Equipment upgraded (sponsored by Salem's), coverage extended through previously weak spots in the masjid and to new building
- Audio upgrade
 - New speakers, wireless mic, improved coverage through masjid
- Installation of additional TV monitors in the classrooms





- Security guard hiring in-progress for Ramadan and Jumu'ah prayers
- Operated by AIC Committee and always looking for volunteers
- Security grant through PCCD (PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency (May 2022 – April 2023)
 - Award up to \$25,000
 - Added 11 new cameras to new Bldg \$9.500
 - Applied window protection film to 1st windows and doors - \$3,000
 - Security lights ~\$800
 - Next to install:
 - Automated door locks on new building -\$4,000
 - Cover expense of security guard up to \$7,500



Imam Search

- Search Committee established from among community members
- Br. Hussain Khan is the lead of the community
- The committee is reviewing the advertisement and assessment checklist.

Search Process

- Screen and review all candidates resumes/ videos/ lectures/ khutbahs
- Shortlist potential candidates
- Recommend 3-5 candidates to the Board to invite for interview
- Attend all candidates' functions to observe and evaluate
- Provide final written recommendations for hiring
- AIC Board initiates background check and negotiation process for the recommended candidates





- Br Eyas leading the cemetery committee
- The committee covered most cemeteries within 10-15 miles from Masjid
- Proposal to buy additional lots in Restland Cemetery (Monroeville area)
- The search continues...







- Building became available for purchase and Development of consensus in the Board on buying the property.

- Purchased the building for a price of 168K & Architect Nacim Krim performed some preliminary planning.

- Three Architectural firms were interviewed. Building A came to 300K, and demolition of building B and construction of a new facility was 1M.

- Progress was slow due to our inability to hire an architect with such a high fee. Search for an architect with smaller fee structure began.

- Hired Architect Nathan Hart. Developed the plans to renovate Building B. Preliminary plan was also developed for future Building A.

- Continuation of the works started in 2018. Started getting bids for demolition of Building B.

- Demolition of Building B in July-August 2020. Started renovation of Building A.

- Continue renovation of Building A.

- The electric, gas and water connections, handicap access ramp. The work progressed to a near completion stage and application for occupancy permit was submitted to Carnegie Board.





2023

- Completed all construction and safety requirements demanded by the Borough
- Finally achieved the occupancy permit for Building A in February.
- The Board took extraordinary measures to control the cost of renovation.
- The final cost is about 35K which is a fraction of the original cost estimate of 300K.
- Received a significant array of free school furniture from the Jefferson School, which will provide a big financial relief to AIC.
- Building A will be available for use as of Saturday March 18, 2023.





Renovation items:

- Complete roof update
- Complete replacement of electric boxes for each floor
- Extended gas line for heating units
- Extended water line to all three floors
- Added an electric hot water tank
- Complete vinyl flooring in all three floors
- Replaced Entrance door with security door
- Completed handicap ramp
- Painted all three floors
- Fixed ceiling tiles (last floor to finish)
- Tinted front doors glass
- Google Nest thermostat
- Updated Exist signs
- Updated Emergency lights
- Added outdoor motion-sensing lights
- 11 new security cameras



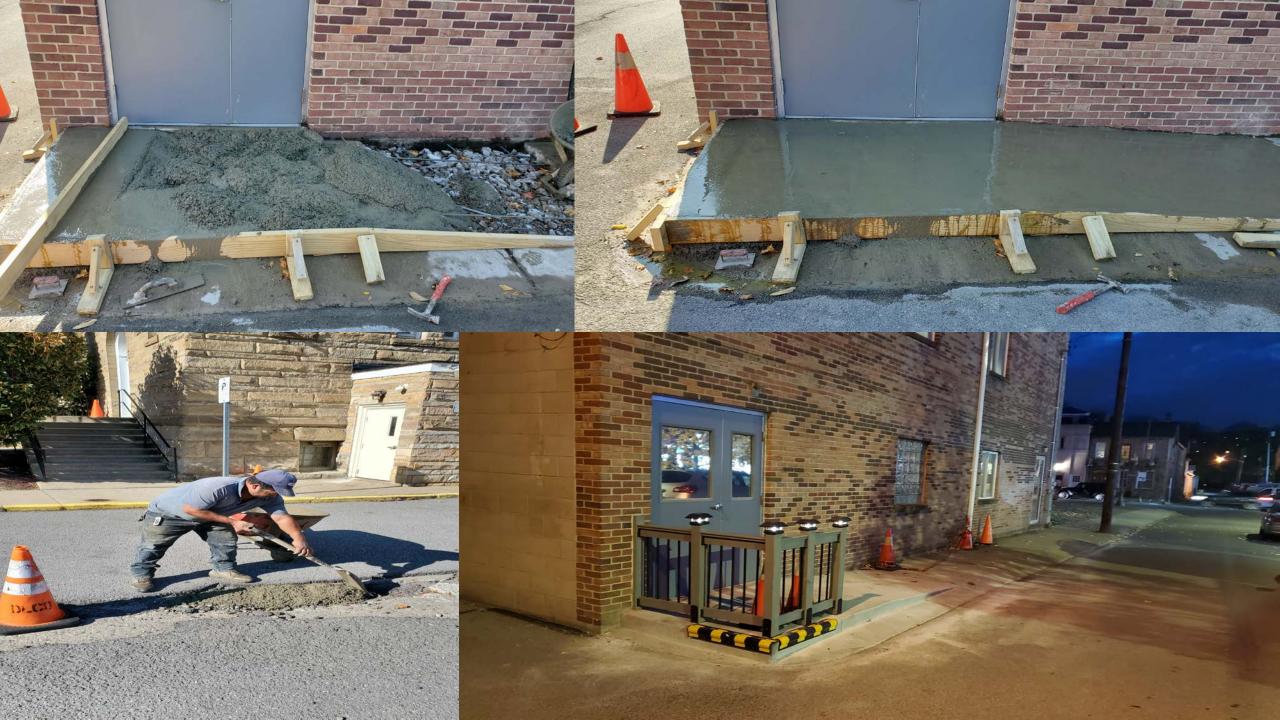














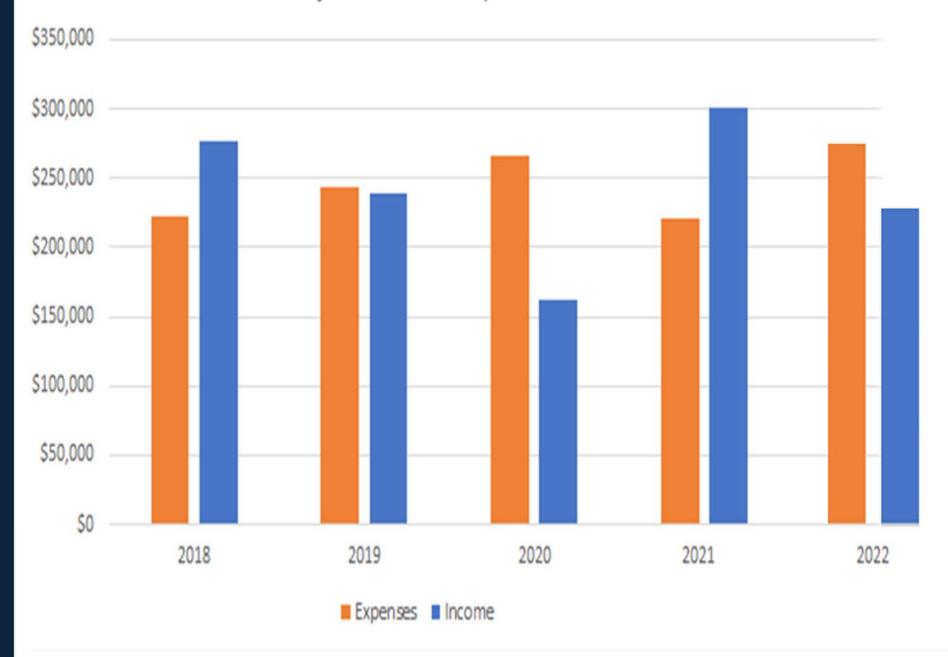




\$126K given out in charity in 2022

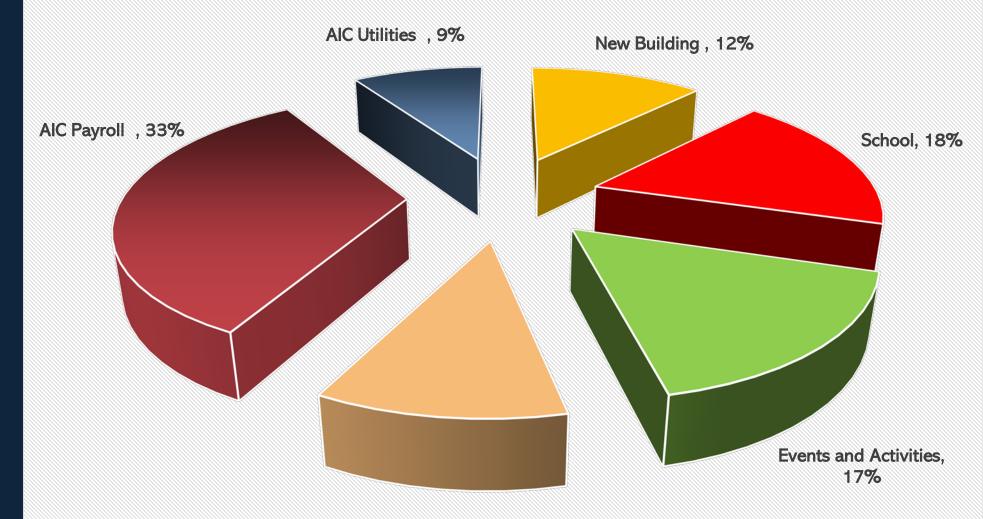
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Masjid Income vs Expenses





2022 Expenses Breakdown



Maintenance, 11%

Finance

Current Bank Balances

General AIC Masjid \$ 102,000

Cemetery Account \$ 223,000

Reserve Account \$ 100,000

Education Account \$ 71,000

Charity & Orphan \$ 53,000



On-going Projects

AIC Cemetery

New Building & Bridge

Parking Lot Lydia St Entrance

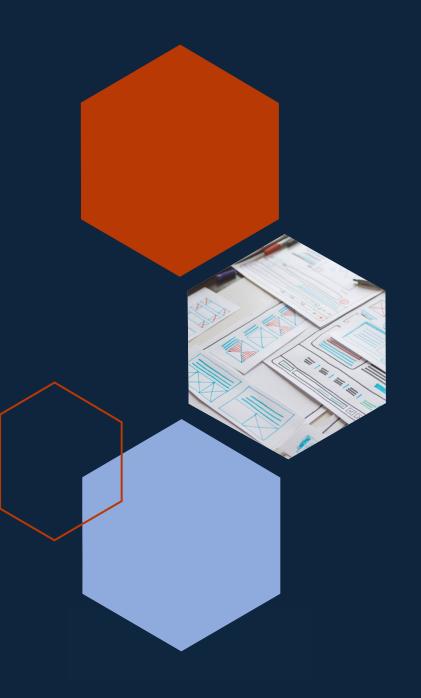
• IT upgrades

Security Upgrades

* Day to day AIC operations







Future Projects

AIC Cemetery (\$325K)

In-house Kitchen (\$25K)

Roof Maintenance (\$100K)

New Building Interior and Furniture (\$15 – 20K)

New Building in Gravel Lot (\$800K – 1.1M)

Upgrade/Replace the 3 boiler due to regular repair costs (\$25K per boiler)

Wooden Door Restoration (\$3K)

Bridge between buildings (\$25K)

Youth Co-Ordinator shared among multiple masjids

AIC Director



2022 UPDATES

2020 UPDATES

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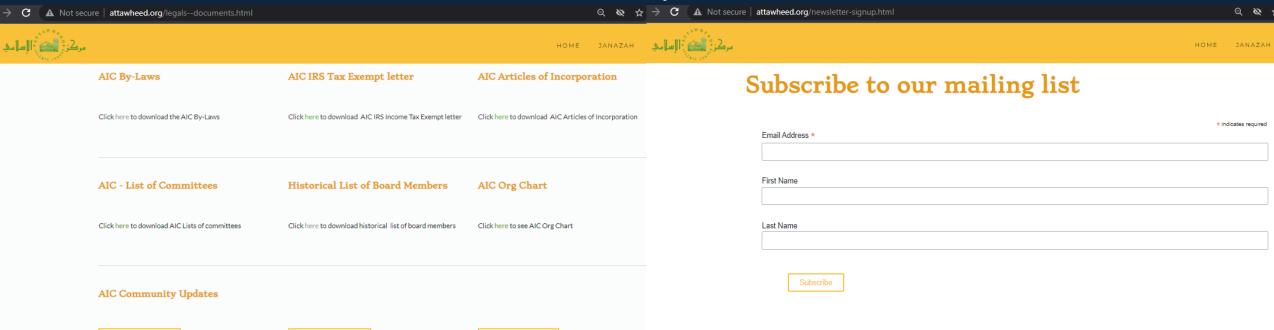
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Q&A Session



