

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUSLIM FOUNDATION REFUGEE REHABILITATION PROGRAM RAMADAN EDITION 2020-2022



## RAMADAN BASKET PROGRAM

One of our significant cornerstone program is the Refugee Rehabilitation Program that has provided assistance to Somali, Iraqi, Syrian, and Afghani families for years. The services include providing food, clothing, car, rental assistance, job training & employment services.

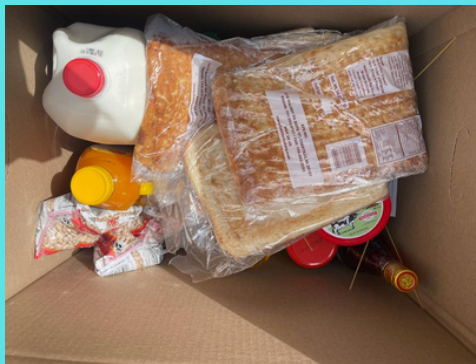
Our key program is the Ramadan Basket Program that started in 2018. MCMF has distributed over 120,000 pounds of food in PG County, Montgomery County and Baltimore County in 2021 and served 1100 fresh meals. Food distributed included 15 days supply of rice, oil, lentils, beans, milk, juices, yogurt, tea, sugar, dates, fresh vegetables, and rooh afza. For testimonials log on to [mcmfmd.org](http://mcmfmd.org)





# RAMADAN BASKET- 2022

On April 10, 2022, MCMF distributed Ramadan Baskets to over 300 families in PG and MOCO serving 27,390 pounds of food to the refugee families





# ZABIHA PROGRAM (FRESH MEAT DISTRIBUTION) 11,000 LBS SERVED

In 2020, the Zabiha Program served over 5,000 pounds to over 1100 families, and in 2021 the Program served over 6,000 lbs to over 1,200 families In MOCO.



## REFUGEE FRESH HALAL MEALS PROGRAM

Since November 2021 MCMF has served over 6000 fresh halal meals to the new refugees in temporary housing in Montgomery County.





## **AFGHAN REFUGEE CLOTHING DISTRIBUTION**

**In June 2021 and October  
2021, MCMF served over  
350 families in Prince  
George's and Montgomery  
County**

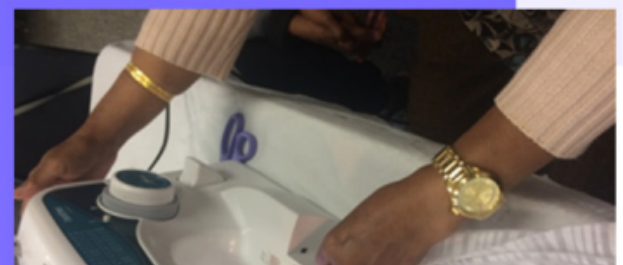


## **MCMF WOMEN EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM- SUPPORTING 40 REFUGEE FAMILIES ON THE ROAD TO GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT**

**MCMF started the Women's Empowerment and Refugee Assistance Program in the very early years of its inception. With the influx of refugees, we have bolstered our programs to support women who need to find a way to make a sustainable income.**



- In person sewing classes have resumed and many women are ready to start their own sewing businesses.**
- Business consultations and counseling is being offered by appointment.**
- Supporting 40 refugee families on the road to gainful employment.**
- Supporting women who did not speak English (Pashto, Urdu or Persian) with referrals to English classes.**



# MCMF AND CITY OF GAITHERSBURG BUILDING BRIDGES WITH AFGHANS CULTURAL TRAINING SEMINAR



MCMF in conjunction with the City of Gaithersburg on Feb 9, 2022 held a seminar on "Building Bridges of Understanding," an Afghan cultural sensitivity training session for MOCO government and non-profits working with new Afghan immigrant families.

Sam Mak, a Diversity and Inclusion Consultant, gave a scenic presentation to providers assisting in refugee services. She compassionately explained the Afghans plight and the humanity of these resourceful people that are now refugees in the United States.

The attendees enjoyed the inside view of Afghanistan through the eyes of an American citizen, who deeply understands and honors Afghani culture. MCMF is grateful for the support of the City of Gaithersburg, the community, businesses, and organizations that aid in the mission to provide services to our community.

## MCMF RECEIVES RAMADAN PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY IN MARYLAND







**Seamstress available at the MCMF office to take in clothes for stitching or alteration.**

*Please contact Bano Makhdoom for more information at 301-760-7447*

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**Spring Clothes Drive!**

We are accepting Donations for the month of April!

Please bring **Clothes ONLY on hangers**: Staff has been advised to not accept clothing stuffed in plastic bags.

Post COVID we do not have volunteers to do any sorting. Shoes and handbags may be donated in boxes.

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**Spring 2022**  
All classes will be online for the Spring session

**Online English Classes**  
Learn English Online on Zoom

Evening English on Zoom	Saturday English on Zoom
Textbook fee: \$30	Free!
Basic: Mon/Wed 5:30 pm – 7 pm	Basic: Sat 9:30 – 11 am
Level 1: Tues/Thurs 5:30 pm – 7 pm	Level 1: Sat 8:30 – 10 am
Level 2: Mon/Wed 7:30 pm – 9 pm	Level 2: Sat 10:30 am – 12 pm
Level 3: Tues/Thurs 7:30 pm – 9 pm	Level 3: Sat 8 – 9:30 am
	Level 4: Sat 11:30 am – 1 pm

Applications will be open **April 4 at 12 noon until classes are filled.**  
Space is very limited. First-come, first-served.

To complete the application form in English, click [HERE](#)

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Completion of the application does not guarantee a spot in a class.

- Classes will begin in early May.
- Students may not register for both Evening and Saturday classes.
- Open to Montgomery County, Maryland residents – adults ages 18 years and over.
- Classes meet for 8 weeks, regular attendance is required.
- If we do not have space for you in our classes, we will help you find an alternative.
- Zoom training provided to those who need it.

Call us at 240-777-4940. We can help you in your language.

We provide information about:

- Food Assistance
- Health Care and COVID-19 testing and vaccinations
- Job Training
- Immigration and Legal Assistance
- Housing... and more!

We provide classes for:

- English
- Computer
- English Conversation
- Citizenship Preparation

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