



BCM

HELPING THE LESS FORTUNATE THROUGH ACTS OF KINDNESS AND CHARITY

Charity projects

BCM Pound projects update

We have developed habits when giving away our money. We do it in Ramadan when giving our Zakat, we put loose change into a masjid box, we put our hands in our pocket when a loved one becomes ill so we can pay sadaqah to make them better. We try and do good deeds when we get bad news so that our prayers are heard. What we need to become better at is proactively helping others, not just in our time of need but all the time. We have an awful lot to be thankful for and whether we admit this or not we can all do a lot more in the name of our religion.

With this in mind we decided to set up "Pound Projects", which essentially is charitable work throughout the year with ongoing monthly projects where people can contribute just £1 per month to receive the same rewards and good deeds as the people who are on the front line and organising the projects.

In the first month we had 96 people sign up! Thank you to all you again. Not only do you get the rewards of the charitable and good work that we do in the name of Islam, but you also help us to work on a larger scale. We hope you will continue to support our charity projects on a monthly basis.

So, last month! What did we achieve? We set out to complete a simple task and gain good deeds by providing 4 local police custody blocks with plastic boxes with secure lids to store a copy of the Quran (and 2 prayer mats), the Bible, the Torah and other religious books. We believe that every faith should be respected equally. This now ensures that religious books, including the Quran, are stored separately in their own box. Should someone require a copy of the Quran, for example, then the person handing it to them does not have to handle it directly, as they most probably will not be in a state of wudu. They simply hand the box over so the Quran can be removed/prayer mats can be taken from it. A few simple items that your money purchased but have meant that the Holy Quran, and other religious books, are stored in a respectful way (see picture: right).

In helping others, we shall help ourselves, for whatever good we give out completes the circle and comes back to us.



A final note to say that your money is not used as zakat but as lillah. Thank you again. If family or friends wish to help with £1 per month please pass on the details:
Monthly standing order
• Sort code:30-96-26
• Account: 33569168
• Name: BCM
• Ref: charity projects



Next months focus

- 1- For next month the goal is a bit more ambitious. We hope to have enough funds to start creating hygiene packs for the homeless females who live on the streets of Birmingham. Products such as toothpaste, toothbrush, shower gel, sanitary products, even a granola cereal bar and a bottle of water for hard or desperate times.
- 2- We are also looking to support two widows in Pakistan by giving them sewing machines to support themselves and their children independantly.
- 3- Lastly, we also want to make a small donation to a masjid which is being built in Birmingham so we receive rewards when people pray in the masjid 5 times a day.

