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Charity no: 1182830

HELPING THE LESS FORTUNATE THROUGH ACTS
OF KINDNESS AND CHARITY

Charity projects

BCM Pound Projects update

This was the 67th consecutive month (and the start of the 6th year!) that we have helped others. January is one of the coldest months in Gaza, Lebanon, Syria and Yemen. A charity has created Winter Barakah kits that allow us to give three times the mercy to those helpless in facing the cold, hunger, illness and even death this winter. We donated to join their efforts to safeguard thousands of precious lives this winter. Thousands of families need our help to stay warm and to stay safe from the freezing cold this winter.

“The believers are like one body in their mutual love and affection: if one limb is injured, the rest responds with sleeplessness and fever.” (Hadith Muslim)

We donated one Barakah kit, which will provide food in Gaza, a winter kit in Pakistan to one family, and contribute to the Gaza Emergency Fund—three acts of mercy in one powerful donation!

It is almost impossible to imagine the harshness of winter in Gaza right now. Streets, drains, buildings – all essential to keeping warm and avoiding flooding and disease – are now flattened. Those who survive the bombings face the threat of death by winter, facing hunger, icy temperatures, and the spread of sickness without a proper shelter.

60% of homes in Gaza are damaged or destroyed, and a staggering 85% of people have been forced out of their homes. Some have found refuge in schools, but many do not have proper shelter, or any kind of heating, clean water, or electricity. A lack of food and clean water have pushed prices soaring, trapping families in a vicious cycle of being unable to afford basic necessities as their prices continue to rise.

In Pakistan, half of families live below the poverty line. Last year’s devastating floods left families struggling to survive after having lost crops, livestock and homes in the flooding. Cyclical patterns of extreme rain and flooding in the past years mean that the area charities are working in is projected to experience heavy rains and cold weather this winter, putting the most vulnerable families at risk of sickness, isolation, and hunger. Each kit provides:

- 1) 3kg rice, 3kg lentils and 3kg beans providing up to 40 meals,
- 2) A winter kit in Pakistan, helping a family affected by the floods to stay warm by providing two heavy quilts, two wool jumpers, four pairs of wool socks, and four wool hats,
- 3) And a contribution to the Gaza Emergency Fund, which provides food, shelter, medical aid, hygiene kits, and clean water in Gaza.



“Those who spend their wealth in Allah’s cause are like grains of corn which produce seven ears, each bearing a hundred grains.”

(Qur’an, 2:261)



A note to say that your money is not used as zakat but as lillah. Jzk.

If family or friends wish to help with £1 per month please pass on the details below:

Monthly standing order of £1 or £12 payment for the year.

- Sort code:30-96-26
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