



UofT Muslim Students' Association 2024-2025 - Trimester #1

FINANCIAL REPORT



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Prepared and Approved by	Vice President Finance, Zohal Aziz Accounts Directors, Hamas Waqar and Allan Cui Vice President Communications, Safiyyah Hoda

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The UofT MSA Is Proud to Partner With:



Message from VP Finance

Zohal Aziz

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ (May the peace, mercy, and blessings of God be with you),

I pray this message finds you in the best of health and iman. My name is Zohal Aziz and I am the Vice-President Finance for the University of Toronto's Muslims Students' Association (MSA) for the 2024-2025 year.

As we approach the 60th anniversary of our MSA, it is essential to reflect on the inception of our organization and its expansion over the last 6 decades. We are grateful for the strong foundation laid by the dedicated executives and directors before us, and recognize the responsibility our organization has to continuously serve the Muslim community on and off campus.

The financial reports are vital in showcasing our activities and progress over the years. Additionally, we proudly feature our partner organizations, whose contributions enable us to deliver valuable programming to our students. Reports will be published on a trimester and annual basis.

This first trimester report summarizes the events and initiatives undertaken from May 1st - August 31st, highlighting the generous contributions of our donors and sponsors who support our programming and club operations.

JazakAllahu khairan for your continued support, may Allah (SWT) grant us a successful year.

Zohal Aziz
UofT MSA VP Finance

Message From Accounts Directors

Hamas Waqar and Allan Cui

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We hope this message finds you in good health. Serving as your MSA Accounts Directors for the 2024-2025 academic year, our names are Hamas Waqar and Allan Cui. As we look back onto the summer as the new year starts, we are excited to share the progress we've made in organizing the financial operations of the MSA. We are eager to continue building on this foundation as we head into the new academic year, working to ensure that our financial planning supports the vibrant activities and initiatives that bring our community together.

This year, as Accounts Directors, we will be preparing and publishing three trimesterly reports to keep our community informed about our financial standing and the allocation of funds, insha'Allah. We look forward to supporting the MSA in its mission and contributing to a successful year ahead, insha'Allah.

Hamas Waqar and Allan Cui
UofT MSA Accounts Directors

About The UofT MSA

Founded in 1965, the Muslim Students' Association (MSA) at University of Toronto - St. George was the first MSA to be established in Canada. Since then, it has since grown to become one of the largest student clubs at the University of Toronto, with a membership of over 1,500 students, faculty, & staff. The purpose of the MSA is to first and foremost serve & represent the needs of Muslims on campus and the surrounding area. What started as a club to facilitate Jumu'ah prayers for some 20 students has now grown to become a student group that is at the forefront of social justice, community service, faith practices, academic support, & campus social life. Throughout this period, the Muslim Students' Association has been part of many historic initiatives, such as the inclusion of women in Hart House, and the development of Canadian Muslim leaders who now are leading Muslim communities across North America. Guided by three virtues—service, fellowship, & excellence—the MSA strives to be a vibrant, integrated, & contributing member of the campus & the Toronto community

Services Offered by the MSA Include:

- Prayer spaces across campus
- Jumu'ah (Friday) prayers
- Lectures, workshops, and seminars
- Community service and volunteering
- Social events and trips
- Orphan Sponsorship Program
- The Muslim Voice Magazine
- Mentorship & academic help

As per its Constitution, the objectives of the MSA are as follows:

1. To serve as the representative voice of Muslims at the University of Toronto;
2. To cater to and accommodate the intellectual, spiritual and social needs of Muslim students;
3. To build a cohesive and unified community of Muslims on campus;
4. To expand the MSA's scope of work and influence within the larger campus community;
5. To provide opportunities for leadership development within the MSA's student body; and
6. To participate in community initiatives that complement the MSA's mission.

Events Held This Trimester

MSA Encampment Program (May 2024 - July 2024)

The MSA implemented several initiatives to ensure regular programming for Muslims attending the encampment. Firstly, halaqahs were held twice a week—on Tuesdays after Asr and Fridays after Jumuah. These sessions focused on specific events from the Seerah to inspire Islamic activism and courage. Secondly, tahajjud prayers were organized every Sunday at 3 am, with local hufadh leading 8 rak'ahs until Fajr. Lastly, a brief reminder was given after each Fajr prayer, reflecting on what had been recited during the prayer.



MSA FROSH (August 27th - 30th, 2024)

Frosh is an annual event designed to welcome both new and returning students to the Muslim community on campus. The week-long event features both on- and off-campus activities, giving students the chance to connect and engage as they begin or continue their academic journey. This year's Frosh saw over 100 participants and included events like a Campus Scavenger Hunt, Potluck Picnic, and Naan and Kabob dinner. These activities also introduced new students to the MSA's initiatives, community groups, and volunteer opportunities, helping to ease their transition into university life.

Eid Prayer (June 16th, 2024)

The MSA hosted a single prayer for Eid ul-Adha on June 16, starting at 9:00 AM. It took place in the Main Activity Hall at Koffler House, the same venue used for Jumu'ah prayers during the summer. The prayer was led by Abdulrahman Knakriah, a brother from the community. Attendance was approximately 50-60 people, including non-students. Cash donations were also collected outside the prayer hall.

Jumuah Prayers

Throughout the summer, the MSA consistently held a single Jumu'ah prayer every Friday at the Multi-Faith Centre (Koffler House) from May 10 to August 30, with the exception of June 28, when the space was closed due to President's Day. The khutbah began at 1:20 pm, and the prayer concluded by 2 pm or earlier. We had various khateebas, both from within the MSA and external speakers. Attendance remained steady, with 60-80 people each week, including non-students. Cash donations were also collected outside the prayer hall.

First Trimester Income Statement

Revenues

HCI Sudan Donations	\$834.95
Jumuah Donations (collected for MSA)	\$733.10
Jumuah Donations (collected for OSP)	\$615.20
MSA FROSH	\$865.00
National Zakat Foundation (NZF) Sponsor (for FROSH)	\$300.00
Islamic Society of North America (ISNA) Sponsor (for FROSH)	\$273.15
TOTAL REVENUE	\$3621.04

Expenses

Business cards	\$54.24
GSuite	\$3537.30
UTSU Clubs Fair Spot	\$75.00
MSA FROSH	\$761.19
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4428.33

Net Income (loss)

(\$807.29)

Credits

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