Mission

• Systematically facilitate assertive Muslim involvement in the field of human struggle for the rights of the poor and oppressed in the United States.
Our Divine Inspirations

• *O you who have believed, be persistently standing firm in justice (Qur’an 4:135)*

• *And cooperate in righteousness and piety, but do not cooperate in sin and aggression. And fear Allah; indeed, Allah is severe in penalty (Qur’an 5:2)*

• “*Whoever among you sees an evil, let him change it with his hand; if he cannot, then with his tongue; if he cannot, then with his heart- and that is the weakest of Faith.*” (An-Nasa’i)
What We Do

• **Interfaith** – We routinely meet with other religious leaders to discuss and share our faiths in order to better understand and learn from each other.

• **Partnership coalitions** – We proudly and consistently work with both Muslim and Non-Muslim organizations around social justice issues. Some of these names include Helping Hand, National Religious Campaign Against Torture, Interfaith Workers Justice, Religions for Peace-USA, and others.

• **Public advocacy** – We participate in constructive protests/rallies and other forms of advocacy to bring about awareness surrounding issues of injustice in our society.

• **Publish materials** – We publish materials related to social justice issues (booklets, brochures, pamphlets, CDs, DVDs, etc.)
Board of Directors

• **ICNA Foundation for Social Justice**: Talat Sultan (Chair), Mohammed Yousufuddin, Junaid A. Shaikh, Muhammad Tariqur Rahman and Naseem Shahzad

• **ICNA Council for Social Justice**: Imam Khalid Griggs (Chair), Farrukh Raza, Mohsin Ansari, Mahmood Aijazi, Mahmood Khan, Fariha Shakeel, Maheen Siddiqui, Hena Syed, Hamid Siddiqui, Arif Mannan and Salman Syed
Local Chapter Representatives

- **Chicago** – Mahmood Khan
- **New York** – Shahid Farooqui
- **Texas** - Haider Imam
- **Southern California** – Waqas Syed
Our Partners

- Helping Hand for Relief and Development (HHRD)
- ICNA Relief USA (IRUSA)
- National Religious Campaign Against Torture (NRCAT)
- Interfaith Peace-Builders (IFPB)
- Interfaith Workers Justice (IWJ)
- Religions for Peace – USA (RFP-USA)
- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)
- National Coalition to Protect Civil Freedoms (NCPCF)
Interfaith

• Organized and planned interfaith dialogue at the annual ICNA convention

• Participated in the **Muslim-Catholic Dialogue** in NJ on topic of Secularism
  – Invited all of the Muslim speakers via phone and e-mail and organized their trip schedules

• Participated in an interfaith meeting hosted by **Religions for Peace USA** in Washington, D.C.

• Participated in an interfaith dialogue on **Concept of Peace in Religious Texts** at the Church of Scientology in Washington, D.C.
Workers’ Justice

• Published **Labor Rights in Islam** booklet by Sh. Abdool Rahman Khan.
  – Shipped the booklets to 20+ chapters of ICNA throughout the country
• Published a pamphlet on **Islam Forbids Torture** and distributed them.
• Participated in the national **Walmart Black Friday** campaign conducted by **UFCW** and **OUR Walmart**.
  • Reached out to presidents of other ICNA chapters throughout the country to participate in their own local rallies against Wal-Mart.
Anti-Torture

• Published a pamphlet on Islam Forbids Torture and distributed them
• Participated in the CLOSE GUANTANAMO rally with NRCAT
• Dallas, TX Chapter participated in the Free Aafia rally
Civil Rights

- 3-4 NCPCF, one of our partners, executive and board meetings held at CSJ office
- Arranged for NCPCF workshops at ICNA Atlanta Convention and ICNA NE Rochester Conference
- Br. Naeem Baig is serving as the Chairman of NCPCF and Br. Rameez Abid as the Treasurer
- Br. Naeem Baig spoke at the Fundraising Dinner of NCPCF held in Albany, NY
- Participated in the Pro-Palestinian rally in D.C.
- Imam Khalid Griggs was one of the presenters at the NCPCF Family Conference in D.C.
  - He also participated at a NCPCF session at the ICNA Southeast Conference in Atlanta
2014 ICNA Annual Convention

- Hosted at least two social justice related workshops
- Organized and planned Imams’ Breakfast
- Organized at least two meetings between VA Muslim leadership in order to promote the convention
CSJ Marketing & Promotion

• Had a new logo designed for CSJ
• Started a regular monthly e-newsletter for CSJ
• Website & Facebook
  – Redesigned the website for CSJ
  – Started regularly updating the CSJ website and Facebook page
• Set up a CSJ booth at the Houston, TX and Peoria, IL regional ICNA conventions
• Represented ICNA CSJ at the Foundations of Effective Organizational Leadership course at IIIT
• Representing ICNA CSJ as a steering committee member for the 2015 Muslim Advocacy Day in Washington, D.C.
• Published Social Justice: An Islamic Perspective by Tariq Ramadan
  – Shipped the booklet to various chapters of ICNA throughout the country
Administration

• Currently completing paperwork and process to have CSJ and FSJ legalized in the state and federal level so that we can open a bank account and start adding funds
• Have regular ICNA CSJ meetings on a monthly basis to plan out our work
CSJ in Action
The End