

### **Photo/Blurb about RAF**

Rahima Aziz Foundation was established in 2021 as a place of prayer, education, and community. The foundation offers a safe space to pray, gain religious education as well as general education, function as a community center, and many more. One of the main objectives is to create a bridge between different cultures and religions as well as give a place to cater to the basic needs of the growing Muslim community.

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## **About Us**

Rahima Aziz Foundation was founded at the beginning of 2021 as an extension of the Al Mansoor Cultural Center which was established in 2016. Both RA Foundation and Al Mansoor Cultural Center were founded by Mufti Muhammad Abdullah, Mufti Muhammad Hafiz Abdullah, Maulana Nayeemullah, Umme Yousuf, and their family members. Alhamdulillah, currently, Rahima Aziz Foundation is operating a full-fledged Masjid that provides many different programs and services. Among these are daily prayers, weekly Jumuah and Taraweeh prayers in the month of Ramadhan. It also has weekly Tafsir programs. For Islamic education, there is a Maktab and Madrasa where students of all ages are learning their Arabic letters, perfecting their Tajweed in reciting the beautiful ayahs of the Holy Book, and also a Hifz program where our students memorize the Qur'an by heart. Alhamdulillah we have qualified male and female teachers on our staff so as to provide a good Islamic environment for both male and female students. As a cultural center, it functions as a place for the community to gather for functions such as Eid and Aqiqah, and Marriage.

### **Aims and Objectives/Goals**

Rahima Aziz Foundation endeavors to be a stable source of authentic Islamic knowledge along with providing all the needs of a broader Muslim community. We would like to be a bridge that links the Muslim community with the people of all faiths. We have highly qualified Islamic scholars within our program, and are also connected to a huge network of Islamic scholars globally.

### **Mission Statement**

At Rahima Aziz Foundation, we are committed to enhancing the lives of members in the community through our wide range of activities and events.

Ever since opening our doors to the community in 2021, we have provided members the chance to get together and experience what we're all about. Our mission has always been to provide a religious and educational experience for members of the Muslim community — and we've done everything we can to achieve this goal to this very day.

#### **Future Plan**

Our future goal is to have a community center to fulfill the needs of the Muslim families, a recreational and fitness center for our youth, and for the elderly, a place where they can interact and spend time.

#### **Staff**

**[Staff – Masjid DarusSalam \(masjidds.org\)](http://masjidds.org)**

**Mufti Mohammed Abdullah**  
**Mufti Mohammed Hafiz Ullah**  
**Mufti Mohammed Nasir Ullah**  
**Maulana Mohammed Nayeem Ullah**  
**Hafez Maulana Anwar Hussain Sheikh**  
**Hafez Maulana Raihan**  
**Brother Minhaz Mahmood**  
**Brother Mizaan**  
**Muallimah Umme Saajid**  
**Muallimah Umme Asif**  
**Muallimah Umme Zakariyya**

#### **Ar-Rahman Academy**

#### **Full-Time Hifz**

Our Hifz program is a full-time program dedicated to memorizing the Holy Quran in its entirety. Our aim is not only for our students to memorize, but also to make sure our students retain what they have memorized. For this, our program emphasizes memorizing and retention equally. This is integrated with academic support in math, English, social studies, and science in accordance with NYS homeschooling guidelines.

#### **Weekend Maktab**

Our Maktab programs provide a way for the children in our community to gain the knowledge of the basics of Islam. This program is dedicated to teaching our students how to read the Qur'an as well as the basic tenets and principles of Islam. Our Islamic Studies is based on the An-Nasihah Curriculum, which not only teaches students their religion, but teaches them

to live harmoniously in society. Embedded in the curriculum are the virtues of tolerance and respect for others (whether Muslim or non-Muslim), playing an active role in the community and promoting values of model citizens such as individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. It incorporates vital areas that children of all ages need to learn in order to equip them with the necessary knowledge to be model citizens, who have a deep rooted sense of faith and belief, guided by the Quran and Sunnah.

### **Summer Camp**

Learning about Deen, Quran and Sunnah is essential for every Muslim. For this, we have implemented a summer program which introduces and elevates their understanding of basic fiqh, sirah, akhlaq and adab and more! Students will also learn how to recite the Qur'an properly and spend time playing sports and connecting with other Muslim children of their age. We hope for our Summer camp to be a source of inspiration for the younger generation to attain Islamic knowledge, become familiar with the Islamic environment and culture, and continue their Islamic education.

### **Masjid Ar-Rahman**

#### **Prayers**

##### **5 Daily Prayers**

-Prayer Schedule

##### **Jummah**

Khutbah Archive

##### **Janaazah**

##### **Taraweeh**

##### **Eidain Salah**

#### **Marriage/ Nikah**

قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَآلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ): مَا بُنِيَ بِنَاءٌ فِي الْإِسْلَامِ أَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ مِنَ التَّزْوِيجِ.

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ has said, "There is no foundation that has been built in Islam more loved by Allah, (The Greatest and Noblest) than marriage."

This hadith shows us the great importance that Allah (SwT) and His Messenger ﷺ have placed on marriage, such that it is the most loved foundation or establishment upon which the Muslim man and woman can build their life upon. If such a foundation is built with love, honesty, sincerity and true faith in Allah (SwT) and all that He has commanded, then there is nothing that could destroy such a firm building.

It is a Sunnah of Rasul ﷺ that a marriage ceremony be conducted in a Masjid. The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, "Announce this marriage publicly, conduct it in the mosque, and strike the drums for it." We conduct the marriage ceremony in accordance to Qu'ran and Sunnah.

The Wedding Ceremony (Nikaah)

## Components

1 – Consent: ‘Aishah(R) asked Prophet Muhammad ﷺ if women must be asked for their permission of marriage. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ replied, “Yes.” She said, ‘The virgin is asked for her permission but she gets shy. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, “Her silence is her permission.” (Bukhari and Muslim)

2 – The Wallee (Woman’s Guardian): Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, “There is no nikaah except with a wallee.” (Ahmad, Abu Dawood, Tirmidhi)

3 – Two Witnesses: Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, “There is no marriage except with a wallee and trustworthy witnesses.” (Sahih- Bayhaqee) Also, “There is no marriage except with a wallee and two witnesses.” (Sahih Al-Jaami’)

4 – The Mahr (Dowry): Allah says (what means): “And give to the women their dowry with a good heart, but if they out of their own good pleasure remit any part of it to you, take it and enjoy it without fear of any harm. ” (Al-Nisa4:4) The mahr can be of any amount, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, “Look for one even if it was an iron ring.” (Bukhari and Muslim)  
The woman is not obliged to give the man anything at the time of the wedding, as is done in some cultures.

## Acts to be Avoided

We should be careful to not act as the disbelievers do regarding their mixing of men and women, wearing tuxedos and white wedding gowns, exchanging rings, kissing in public, etc. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, “Whoever resembles a people is one of them.” (Abu Dawood)

### **Weekly Lecture/Tafseer**

-Date, Topic, Lecturer

### **Adult Classes**

-Date Topic, instructor

### **Youth Programs**

Date, Topic, Lecturer

### **Sisters Halaqah**

-Date, topic, lecturer

## **Community**

### **Religious/Cultural Events**

-Date, Event

### **Jobs and Opportunities**

[Careers – Masjid DarusSalam \(masjidds.org\)](http://masjiddarussalam.org)

- Website and Social Media Management
- Office Management
- Youth Program Coordinator

Will be updated as needed

## Volunteers

We will provide a certificate of completion of community service hours for students and volunteers.

### **Interfaith Programs**

For a peaceful and prosperous community, it is vital that we have a good relationship with people of all faiths and beliefs. We are heavily invested with keeping up with local interfaith movements as well as taking part in local interfaith programs. Al-Mansoor is open to everyone to come and learn and become familiar with Islam.

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