

# ISCNY Newsletter

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Islamic Community Center Update

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## A Clear Road to the Islamic Community Center



The driveway to the Islamic Community Center gets clearer each week, even though the work is almost at a standstill due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Public health safety is the priority and keeping contractors healthy and curbing the spread of the virus is the main concern.

The pandemic has curtailed not just construction but has halted our everyday activities. The Islamic Society of Central New York is closed, as are other masajid, for daily prayer, jumuah and Ramadan activities. Also scheduled fundraising cannot happen in the normal fashion. You now have to donate via [iscnyonline.com](https://iscnyonline.com) or by other means.

Hopefully the pandemic will subside and we can get back to normal life and resume construction.



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*This is a good time to incorporate practices into our spiritual lives that involves repetition of prayers, dhikr, or special generous activities. As we continue to reach deeper within ourselves to serve the Ummah during this unprecedented time, and during the Holy Month of Ramadan, may Allah, SWT, continue to protect and guide us towards good acts that will benefit our Muslim community.*

*Ameen, Allahuma Ameen.*

### **As a community, we can fight this disease together**

Coronavirus, and Covid-19, the illness it causes, is a respiratory disease that spreads rapidly. People may be sick with the virus for 1-14 days before developing symptoms.

Symptoms of Covid-19 include fever, fatigue, and signs of respiratory illness, such as cough or shortness of breath. If you have these symptoms or if you've had direct contact with someone who has tested positive for the coronavirus, you may use our assessment tool to determine your risk.

If you suspect you have been exposed or are not feeling well, please contact your primary care provider. Stay home. Do not go to a community testing site or emergency room first. Do not go to work, the store or other public places.

There's currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease (COVID-19). Protect yourself by washing your hands frequently, avoiding touching your face, and avoiding close contact with people who are unwell.

The coronavirus spreads when droplets from an infected person's cough or sneeze is shared with another person. This could be when a person touches a surface or object that has the virus on it, then touches their eyes, nose, or mouth. It is not certain how long the virus that causes COVID-19 survives on surfaces, but studies suggest it could be a few hours or up to several days.

Older people, and people with other medical conditions (such as asthma, diabetes, or heart disease), may be more vulnerable to becoming severely ill.

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The cleared land for the Islamic Community Center

We will do our best to keep you updated weekly with the progress of the Islamic Community Center