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ISCNY Community Center Update

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A very inviting entrance to the future ISCNY Community Center on a beautiful fall day.

ISCNY Community Center—A Center of Excellence In Education

Providing an environment for a broad-rounded spiritual and intellectual growth of our children is the core of what we aspire at our new center. A central component of the education service will be a full-fledged after-school program. This program could be held 5 days a week. Having such after-school programs on a consistent basis could provide comprehensive support to our kids. Merging our education program as part of an after-school service has several advantages.

- 1. The program provides ample opportunity for kids to spend time at the Masjid.
- 2. Since the after-school program takes place outside school hours, it will avoid conflict with school time.
- 3. Since kids who attend the after-school program they may not need to attend weekend



Islamic classes. Families can spend their weekends with their children, and hence, have more family time.

- 4. As kids come to the center 5 days a week, we can implement a rigorous curriculum in Islamic studies that can be delivered on a consistent basis.
- 5. In addition to the provision of Islamic education, the after-school program can provide multi-faceted support to our kids. We can support them with their academic work. This could, for example, take place in the form of tutoring and other services by volunteer members of our community, so that we ensure that our kids excel in both Islamic studies and academics. Such services would be invaluable to many of our kids who may face a lack of resources outside their school.
- 6. We can also provide various opportunities for socializing and sports activities, and help our kids stay healthy both physically and mentally. We may also complement the program with supplies, health, and nutritional support for those who may be in need.

With this ambition to serve our children, the design for our new center includes several features to help us achieve our dream. The center will have several "activity rooms" which can serve as places to offer lessons. The new center will be equipped with various facilities to help our kids socialize with each other and stay active. Among others, we intend to have a full-sized basketball court, a full-sized soccer field, community garden, playgrounds, and more. ISCNY Community Center committee is eager to get community input so that the new center is designed in a way that meets the community's needs as best as possible. We are working on arranging forums to gather the community's input. Stay tuned!

We will continue to provide details.

ISCNY Community Center Site On A Fall Day



"Nor do they spend anything 'in Allah's Cause'—small or great—nor cross a valley, but it is written to their credit that Allah may recompense them with the best of what they used to do." 9:121

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