



Monday March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Dear Financial Hardship Applicant:

The **Financial Hardship Committee** would like to share with you the following information regarding the distribution and collection of Zakat Funds. The Holy Quran describes the following categories that are entitled to receive Zakat in Chapter *Al-Tawbah* 9:60:

في قوله تعالى : ( إِنَّمَا الصَّدَقَاتُ لِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَالْعَامِلِينَ عَلَيْهَا وَالْمُؤَلَّفَةِ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَفِي الرِّقَابِ وَالْغَارِمِينَ وَفِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَابْنِ السَّبِيلِ ) التوبة/60.

Allah says (interpretation of the meaning): “*As-Sadaqaat (here it means Zakat) are only for the Fuqaraa’ (poor), and Al-Masaakeen (the needy) and those employed to collect (the funds); and to attract the hearts of those who have been inclined (towards Islam); and to free the captives; and for those in debt; and for Allah’s Cause (i.e. for Mujahedeen — those fighting in a holy battle), and for the wayfarer (a traveler who is cut off from everything)*” [Al-Tawbah 9:60]

**Zakat is permissible to the following:**

- ❖ “The poor man (لِلْفُقَرَاءِ-faqeer) is the one who has no wealth and no means of earning a living and meeting his needs.” In al-Minhaaj ma’a Mughni al-Muhtaaj (4/173)
- ❖ “The miskeen (وَالْمَسْكِينِ-needy) is the one who is able to acquire money or income to meet some of his needs but it is not enough for him.” Al-Minhaaj ma’a Sharhihi Mughni al-Muhtaaj, 4/176.
- ❖ It is also permissible to give Zakat to one who is in debt (وَالْغَارِمِينَ Al-Gharimeen), if he cannot afford to pay off his debt. Al-Minhaaj ma’a Sharhihi Mughni al-Muhtaaj
- ❖ It was narrated from ‘Abd-Allah ibn ‘Adiyy ibn al-Khayyaar from two men who were Companions of the Prophet (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) that they came to the Messenger of Allah (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) and asked him for charity. He looked at them and saw that they were strong and said: “If you wish, I will give to you but there is no share in it for one who is independent of means or one who is strong and able to earn a living.” Narrated by Abu Dawood (1633)
- ❖ “The one who is independent of means is the one who has what is sufficient for one year, or he is able to earn a living, or he has a salary that suffices him. Fiqh al-’Ibaadaat (1/295)
- ❖ The Prophet (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) said: “One who is independent of means or who is strong and can earn a living has no share of it.” Narrated by Abu Dawood (1633)

We hope that you have read and understood your Islamic Rights and understand the Islamic Jurisprudence and wisdom involved in using Zakat funds.

Jazakoum Allah Khairun,

Financial Hardship Committee

- Mr. Iyad A. Wazwaz, Principal

-Mr. Anwar Zuraigat, Director of School Business and Development

- Dr. Nazha Bourquia, Assistant Director of Business.

-Mr. Ramey Youssef, Board of Directors, Member



This application only applies to students in grades KG-12<sup>th</sup> Grades

# 2024-2025 FINANCIAL HARDSHIP APPLICATION

Please read the entire application carefully, and provide all required documentation, attach it to the application and return to the business office.

### Personal Information:

Name of Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

### Student(s) Information:

Names of students (applying for financial aid):

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|---|---|
| 1. _____  | 2. _____  |
| Name                      Grade   # of years at CVA | Name                      Grade   # of years at CVA |
| 3. _____  | 4. _____  |
| Name                      Grade   # of years at CVA | Name                      Grade   # of years at CVA |

### Please provide all the information requested below:

**Required Documents: 2023 Federal Tax Return, 2 months of Pay Stubs, 2023 W-2, and or 1099, Rental Agreement or Mortgage Statement & Copy of Vehicle Registration for Mother and Father.**

- Total family income for the last year? \_\_\_\_\_ (2023)  
(Please attach last year's W-2 and or 1099 and filed tax returns, and 2 recent paystubs or two months business income)
- Cash Income last year: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Source of Income: \_\_\_\_\_
- Number of dependents (from the filed tax forms) \_\_\_\_\_ (2023)
- Amount of Monthly (Please check one of the following:  
 Rent \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Rental Agreement Required)  
 Mortgage \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Statement Required)
- Do you receive any kind of public aid?  Food stamps     Medicaid         Welfare
- Are you eligible to receive Zakat? (Please see the eligible categories on page 2)     Yes                       No**

**Giving Something Back:**

All families receiving financial aid are required to volunteer an extra 10 hours per academic school year. This is in addition to the regular volunteer program established by CVA in the School for work assigned by the principal. What volunteer work can you do for the school (check all appropriate boxes)?

- Lunch/ Salat Monitor
- Tutoring
- Fundraising
- Teacher support
- Maintenance
- Typing (office help)
- Hot lunch helper
- Cleaning & general help
- Traffic monitoring

**Volunteer Activities Performed: (For Office Use Only)**

Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May

**Parents' Agreement and Signatures:**

I hereby swear by Allah and declare that all the information provided is true and I consent and authorize CVA or its representative to examine and verify all information provided in this application including earnings of any kind. I also understand that if needed, I may be called for a personal interview. This verification will be used only for the purpose of evaluating this application. I further understand that the amount of financial aid being granted is either in the form of Zakat or Sadaqa, as determined by the CVA Financial Hardship Committee.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent(s) Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**For Administrative Use Only**

**CVA Financial Hardship Committee's Decision:**

Rejected     Approved :  5%  10%  15 %  20 %  25%  30%  35 %  40 %  45%  50%

**Zakat Grant under the Category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Fuqara* (the poor who have almost no income                     *Masakeen* (whose income is less than Federal Poverty Line)

*Aamileen* (people who are assigned to collect and disburse Zakat)

*Muallafat-ul-Qulub* (to attract and/or win the hearts of those who are inclining towards Islam or who have converted)

*Gharimeen* (Those in debt but only because of job loss, home foreclosure, bankruptcy, etc.)

*Riqab* (to free slaves; does not apply anymore)

*Ibn-us-Sabil* (Travelers who lose their belongings or are stranded somewhere)

*Fi-Sabililah* (examples include to pay for Islamic schools' student tuition)

**Sadaqa Grant: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Financial Hardship Committee Signatures: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**Net Tuition Calculation(s) for the Applicant Students: (For Office Use Only)**

Applicant Children’s Grades: \_\_\_\_\_

Gross Tuition Amounts:     \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Fees (Registration):     \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Tuition for the family (before Financial Aid):             \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Zakat Grant:   \$ ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

Sadaqa Grant:    \$ ( \_\_\_\_\_ )

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***Rules for Financial Aid from Zakat and Sadaqa Funds:***

1. Deadline for financial aid is April 30, 2024, as decisions are made before the academic year starts.
2. Only written approval by the CVA Financial Hardship Committee constitutes a commitment on the part of the school.
3. Financial aid is granted for one academic year only.
4. The parent(s) may be asked to come in for an in-person interview with the Finance Team.
5. Please attach your child’s academic and (any) discipline records for evaluation by the School. A student receiving any financial aid must have a GPA of at least 3.2 and in good behavior standing.
6. Any incomplete application will not be considered.
7. Failure by the student and/or family to adhere to these conditions may result in aid termination.
8. A tuition discount is given to the parents from Zakat funds who are eligible to receive zakat and whose income is below Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG) of the Dept. of Health and Human Services.