WIDOWS AND DESTITUTE FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM (2019)

"Abu Huraira RAA reported that the messenger of Allah (pbuh) said,"one who strives for the widows and the poor is like one who fights in the cause of Allah. He (pbuh) added, "I consider him as one who stands up (in the prayer) without rest (all night) and one who fasts without break". (Bukhari)

Program Objectives are to provide financial assistance to widows, single and divorced mothers as well destitute families so they can live a dignified life and their children are able to attend school.

PROGRESS: This program was initiated in the year of 2013 with 8 families. With your generous support we are able to support 394 families this year. All of these families are selected after interviewing them and after verifying their information. Their "Monthly Stipend" is decided after assessing their needs. Our goal is to provide assistance so that they live a respectable life.

We require young widows to either continue education or learn vocational skills so they are able to earn their living. We also conduct a yearly survey to ensure that their needs are met, their children are in school and our aid is being used properly.

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<th>Children</th>
<th>Financial Aid (Rupees/year)</th>
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Sister F. Begum has 5 children. Her husband died in a car accident during 2017. She lives with her brother-in-law who is an Auto driver. She has a 7th grade education. She is struggling to pay school fee for her children. SEED is paying tuition fee for her children and a monthly stipend of Rupees 3,000 per month.

Sister Y. Begum has 4 children. 3 of her children in school and the school is giving free of cost education. Her husband died due to heart attack in July 2018. She has a 6th grade education, with small children to up bring she is unable to work. She is living with her mother. She has no support from her in-laws. SEED is giving her a Stipend of Rupees 4,000 per month.
Sister F. Sultana has 2 children. Her husband died of Cancer in 2015. She gets Rs. 1,000 per month as pension from her husband’s employer. She lives with her mother. she has 9th grade education and is not able to work. SEED is giving her Rs. 3000 per month as stipend.

Sister Ayesha Eshrath is a 40-yr. old widow one of her sibling is completely bed ridden after suffering from an ailment that damaged his limbs. Her other 4 children are all students and studying in a near by school. She lost one of her brother in a train accident and her brothers’ son is also now the responsibility of Sister Ayesha. She presently stays with her younger brother who is a painter and a daily wage earner. The Rs 3000/- pension from SEED now is now her only source of income and for all other expenses she is dependent on her brother.

Testimony Video: https://youtu.be/tz1Q0fP4EIs
Sister Waseem Banu is a 34-yr. old young widow, she is completely dependent upon her brother, who is an Auto Driver and provides for her partly as he also has a family to support. Presently living with her mother and her brother in a slum area of Owaisi Nagar. She has 3 children, all of whom are studying in a local madarsa.

With the SEED pension of Rs 5000/- they are able to send their children to school and fulfil their basic needs.

Testimony Video: https://youtu.be/jZNVXJ7ywYo

Sister Rahmath Begum, 38 yrs. Old, is a single mother & a cancer survivor, she was diagnosed with Carcinoma Thyroid and was successfully treated. Her husband an auto rickshaw driver abandoned her when she was diagnosed with Cancer and left her alone – the brave lady fought the disease on her own and survived. She has a daughter who is a Hafiza and recently got married and her two sons are still studying. SEED pension of Rs 2000/-, is supplementing her monthly income and she is using it to pay the rent of the house. Sister Rahmath also takes tuitions in Arabic and to make ends meet.
Brother Moulana Sahab, 48 yrs. old, is 100% Blind in both eyes. He lost his vision a decade back as he was suffering from degenerative eye ailment - With 4 siblings to support, his wife works as a security guard in an IT firm in Hi-tech City and is the sole bread earner of the house. The family struggles to meet ends – Monthly support of Rs 2000/- through grants from SEED is helping the family meet its basic expenses.

Brother Yahiya Khan, 17 yrs. old, was diagnosed with Kidney disease when he was just 10 years old and now, he is undergoing dialysis thrice a week. But in spite of the disease he is continuing to pursue his studies. His father too is a Cancer survivor and is indisposed. The family struggles to meet ends and the support they are getting through SEED Grants for Medical expenses of Rs 3000/- per month is giving much relief to the family in distress.
Brother Mohammed Azmath, 35 yrs. old & Sister Fareeda Begum, 26 yrs. old, have been suffering from Multi Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (MDR) TB from the past 8 years. The 2 young siblings also suffered from TB but were timely treated. Azmath is an auto driver and goes out to work when his health permits, taking anti tuberculosis treatment for years has left them in poor mental and physical health. Now through SEED grants of Rs 5000/- per month the family is able to make a living and survive.

Sister. Zainab Fatima Siddique is the eldest of 5 siblings, 4 sisters and 1 brother, 3 of whom are studying. Their parents passed away and these are orphaned children. Kidney disease genetically runs in their family and Sister Zainab suffers from Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) and is on dialysis 3 times a week -

Her sister Ms. Amina also suffers from a Kidney problem. They now receive Rs 3000/- as monthly pension from SEED, which helps them with their medical expenses.
Donors can support one family by donating $600 per year or a monthly donation of $50. The donations can be sent by check to the address below or can be paid online through SEED website using PayPal. All beneficiaries are Zakat eligible.

Checks to be made to SEED, mailed to: PO Box 452516, Garland, Texas 75045.

SEED website: www.seedusa.net

Email: seedhydusa@gmail.com

One who has no mercy on people, Allah will not have mercy on him (Bukhari)