

In the name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful
The Islamic Society of Central Jersey

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United We Serve Community Awards by ISCJ

As part of President Barack Obama's United We Serve initiative and just following the Islamic holiday of "Eid ul Adha" (the Celebration of the Sacrifice*), the Islamic Society of Central Jersey (ISCJ) is pleased to announce the following community awards:

- (1) \$10,000 donation to the South Brunswick Board of Education to benefit Crossroads Middle School;
- (2) \$1,000 donation to the South Brunswick Public Library
- (3) \$1,000 donation to the South Brunswick Commission on Women
- (4) \$1,000 donation to the South Brunswick Food Pantry

The ISCJ will be presenting the awards to these organizations in the coming weeks.

If you have any questions, kindly contact Atiya Aftab, Esq., Secretary, ISCJ Board of Trustees at 732-422-2682 or atiyaaftab@msn.com.

*Every year, Muslims celebrate the life of Prophet Abraham during a holiday called Eid ul Adha – "The Celebration of the Sacrifice." Abraham is a central figure in Islam, as in Judaism and Christianity. Eid-ul-Adha is an occasion to commemorate his willingness to sacrifice what he loved most for the greater love of God. While some Muslim are able to make the pilgrimage to Makkah, Saudi Arabia to commemorate this by following in Prophet Abraham's footsteps in Makkah, most Muslims celebrate this holiday closer to home. Eid-ul-Adha is a time for reflection and charity, as well as joy, family get-togethers and gift-giving.

Local Media Coverage:

http://nbs.gmnews.com/news/2010-12-02/Front_Page/ISCJ_honors_Festival_of_Sacrifice_by_making_donati.html

<http://southbrunswick.patch.com/articles/iscj-extends-a-helping-hand#c>

<http://www.mycentraljersey.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/201012020600/999999999/12020325>