

“1MARK” IFTAAR TOOL KIT

Dear Supporter!

Thank you for hosting a Fundraising Iftar for IDRFP this Ramadan. YOU ARE REMARKABLE!

Here are some tips on how to run a successful Iftar and how to be the “Remarkable host” that you are!

1. As a host you must first prepare a schedule/agenda to give those who enter your home as it will be guide to the events during this special evening.

Example

Time	Agenda/Schedule Items
7:00pm	Guests begin to arrive- try to create a setting for people to spend this time in reflection and prayer if desired.
7:15pm	Welcoming remarks, guest speaker(s) or presentations-- you could allow a shorter time for this, depending how much “content” you’re wanting to integrate into the event, but basically, you’ll want to be sure to wrap up any presentations by the time of the call to prayer (which is right at sundown!) so that you don’t delay people from breaking the fast and praying Maghrib prayer.
8:25pm	Call to prayer, duas, and Breaking Fast (dates & milk and or water)
8:35pm	Maghrib prayer
8:55pm	Eat, share stories, and have a great time together!
9:40pm	Guests head out (or stick around for ‘isha prayer- the Muslim planning partners can determine what is best for this)

2. Make sure that all materials case for giving and Ramadan materials are in an accessible space where guest can pick them up and read them.
3. Presentation should occur before breaking fast rather than during the meal because you will have everyone attention. You will not have the attention of most people after they break their fast because they will soon be head to mosque for Insha and Taraweeh prayer but also be more engaged with networking with other guest depending upon how large of a crowd you have.
4. When presenting remind them of IDRF Mission, Values and Partnership globally and that “Whatever you spend in charity of any kind will come back to you and you will not be short changed.” (Quran, 2:247)
5. Use the Speaking Notes in the Ramadan Toolkit (www.idrf.com/ramadantoolkit under “SHARE”) with your guest to ensure that they understand that they will be making their “Mark” this Ramadan with IDRF.
6. Remember to enlist someone to lead the Maghrib prayer after your guest breakfast and to remind them during the night that The Prophet (S) said, “Whoever provides relief to a person in this world, God will provide relief to them on the day of judgement.”
7. Prayer time for Maghirib is different all over Canada so check the appropriate time in your area.
8. Ensure that you have an appropriate space for guest to do Wudu if need be.

Have questions?

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