

Benefits of an Endowment Fund 'A Most Rewarding Deed'

Imagine a seed that you plant today growing into a towering tree, providing shade and fruit for generations to come. This is the power of an endowment fund—a timeless gesture that continues giving, reflecting the Most Rewarding Deed as enshrined in Islam and Sharia Law.

Endowment, or Waqf, as it is known in Islamic tradition, is a cherished practice that allows you to dedicate a portion of your wealth to continuous charity. It is a form of Sadaqah Jariyah, the charity that outlasts us and benefits us even after we have left this earthly realm. By investing in an endowment fund with Helping Hand for Relief and Development, you are not only securing perpetual rewards for yourself but also empowering communities for years to come.

Here's what you need to know about the Benefits of An Endowment Fund:

Do's:

- Do consider the long-term impact of your donation.
- Do understand the sustained nature of your giving; your contribution serves as a financial foundation that supports projects indefinitely.
- Do consult with knowledgeable scholars or financial advisors about the Sharia-compliant process of setting up your endowment.

Don'ts:

- - Don't overlook the potential tax benefits of contributing to an endowment fund.
- - Don't forget to inform your loved ones about your charitable intentions and the legacy you wish to leave.
- - Don't hesitate to reach out to us with questions about how your endowment can be tailored to reflect the causes you are passionate about.

Join other supporters in fortifying the bridge to a better future. Whether it's providing clean water, supporting education, or ensuring healthcare, your endowment is a pledge of hope and prosperity for those in need.

Remember, many of our supporters give stock, grant from Donor Advised funds, or make a Qualified Charitable Distribution, all of which are more "tax-smart" than giving cash. These methods can amplify the impact of your contribution and provide you with significant tax advantages.

Let us draw inspiration from the words of the famous Islamic scholar, Imam Al-Shafi'i, who said, "Knowledge is that which benefits, not that which is memorized." In the spirit of gaining beneficial knowledge, let's apply his wisdom to our charitable actions. By establishing an endowment fund, you are not just giving; you are investing in a legacy of knowledge, aid, and faith that will continue to benefit countless lives.

The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said: "When a person dies, all their deeds end except three: a continuing charity, beneficial knowledge, and a child who prays for them." (Sahih Muslim)

To set up your endowment or to learn more about this most rewarding deed, please contact Helping Hand for Relief and Development today. You can reach us at PlannedGiving@hhrd.org or visit our website at www.hhrd.org/PlannedGiving. Together, we can create a sustainable difference that resonates with the beautiful teachings of Islam and fulfills our collective duty to uplift humanity.

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