



Australian Federation
of Islamic Councils

Media and Community Statement

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AFIC launches campaign to feed the poor and needy of Lebanon

Lebanon is facing an unprecedented famine, UNICEF cites that 77% of children in Lebanon missing meals.

Lebanon is in economic crisis and is facing a humanitarian catastrophe for both native Lebanese and the millions of refugees who fled violence to settle in Lebanon.

AFIC will kick off the 3-week fundraising campaign with a \$10,000 donation and will partner with member society Bayt Al Zakat Australia who will get these funds to those who need them most in Lebanon. Bayt Al Zakat has been working to feed the poor in Lebanon for over 20 years. It is placed in an excellent position to identify the greatest need areas and provide help.

AFIC calls on all mosques in Australia and all member societies to support this campaign through Friday collections and all available means to raise funds in order to reduce the impact of this impending humanitarian catastrophe.

All donations to AFIC's humanitarian account from today to Monday 20 december 2021 will be passed on to Bayt Al Zakat Australia to distribute to the poor and needy in Lebanon.

Please send your donations/collections to:

The Australian Federation of Islamic Councils Humanitarian Account

BSB **032-010**

Account Number **218472**

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