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OUR MISSION



Tayba Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving individuals and families impacted by incarceration. We believe in the power of human change through holistic education, guidance, and support. Our work is organized into three interrelated program areas:

Education, Life Skills, and Reentry

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Of the 2.3 million prisoners in the US, over 200,000 identify as Muslim.

Ninety percent these Muslims are converts to the faith, and most of them became Muslim in prison, seeking to turn a new page in their lives. Yet for many of them, even getting access to a copy of the Qur'an is a challenge - let alone any further religious education or rehabilitation programs. Without such programs, some Muslims embrace sectarian or extremist views; others leave the religion altogether. Still others return to crime after release, having found no support from their local Muslim community.

Since 2002, Tayba Foundation has touched the lives of more than 9,000 incarcerated Muslims across the U.S by providing critically needed Islamic education, essential Life Skills training, and Reentry support. Many Tayba students have become leaders and change-makers within their communities, both inside and outside of prison. With every passing year, we strive to reach more men and women behind bars and to improve the quality of our work to create real change in the lives of those we serve.

Students Served by Tayba 2019

Islam 99 = 1192
students

Spring Semester = 917 students (24 female)
Total Courses Mailed = 1068

Fall Semester = 908 students (26 female)
Total Courses Mailed = 1230

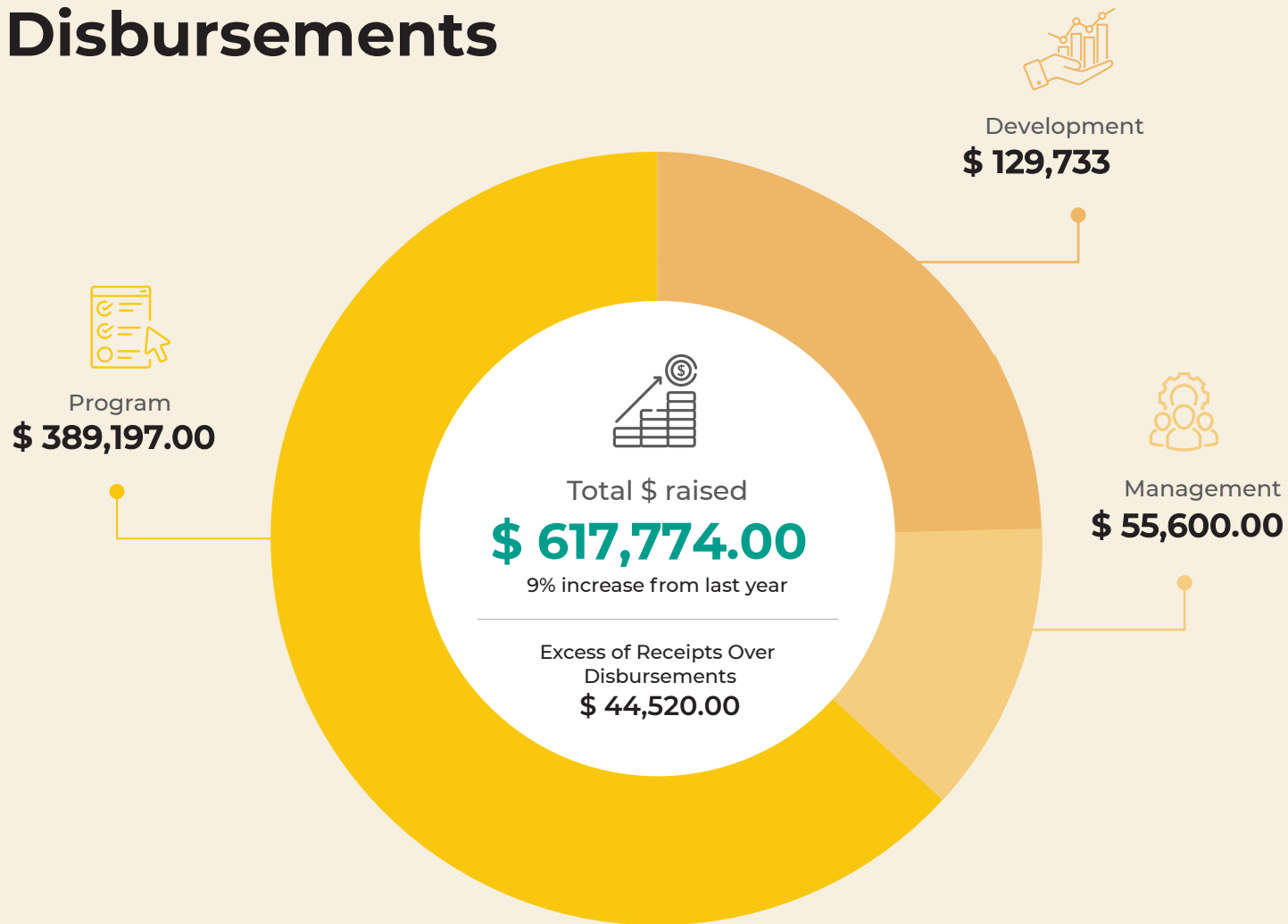
Life Skills = In Development*

No new students were recorded. The department was in the process of preparing the coursework, training, research, and application processes.

Reentry Programs = 13 students



Expenses and Disbursements



Whew! This has been quite the year...and it's not even over! But despite all the challenges, we have been able to continue serving Tayba's students as usual. We owe this feat to your incredible support. Tayba has answered our students' dedication by continuing our services as usual despite the lockdown. Our organizational model has been instrumental in achieving this; we already operate remotely. Tayba's students study by mail correspondence, Tayba's team is largely remote; with members in Canada, Australia, and the US. Even before the lockdown, we were operating efficiently as a remote team.

- Enrolled more than 2,000 new students from prisons across America, raising Tayba's total enrollment to 6451.
- Began the development of FIQH 100 as an introduction to the study of Islamic rules of practice.
- Established a new office branch in San Bernardino, giving us a physical presence for reentry assistance in one of the most critical areas of the US.
- Expanded our email system, giving students greater access to their instructors for faster responses to questions on coursework and improved support.
- Raised more than \$120,000 for a down payment on the purchase of a permanent home-office location.
- Hired a new teacher, Br. Tabari, to develop coursework and represent Tayba in Southern California.
- Hired a Program Manager, Amir Amiri, for our Life Skills Department.
- Added two new life skills courses in leadership and financial intelligence.
- Continued to offer life skills courses in anger management, employment, contentious relationships, and cognitive awareness to incarcerated students.
- Supported Tayba students with reading and research material for their development of two life skills courses on addiction.
- Tayba faculty members attended the 5th Annual Black Muslim Psychology Conference in July 2019 to present their paper, "Changing the Narrative: How Tayba Foundation's "El Hajj Malik Shabazz Distance Learning Program" Has Helped to Liberate the Incarcerated African-American Muslim Convert (Pre- and Post-Release)".
- A Tayba Reentry coach, peer mentor, and instructor completed a 2-week training to be a Certified Peer Specialist in Georgia. This individual also completed a 5-day facilitator course for key peer mentoring and became a certified facilitator for that program.
- Two Tayba coaches also completed a 5-day facilitator course for a key peer mentoring skill and are now certified facilitators for that program.

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Thank you for remembering the forgotten believers and
dreaming of new achievements in the year ahead.

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