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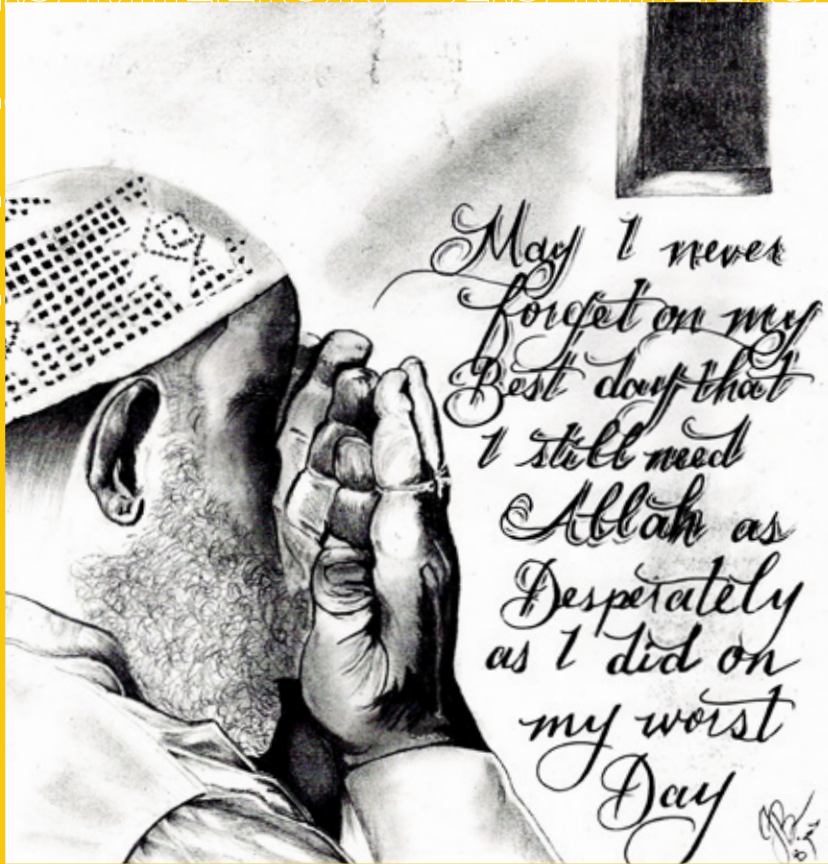


Tayba Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving individuals and families impacted by incarceration. We believe in the power of human change through holistic education, guidance, and support. Our work is organized into three interrelated program areas:

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 2020

Islam 99 = 1085 students

Spring Semester = 870 students (21 female)

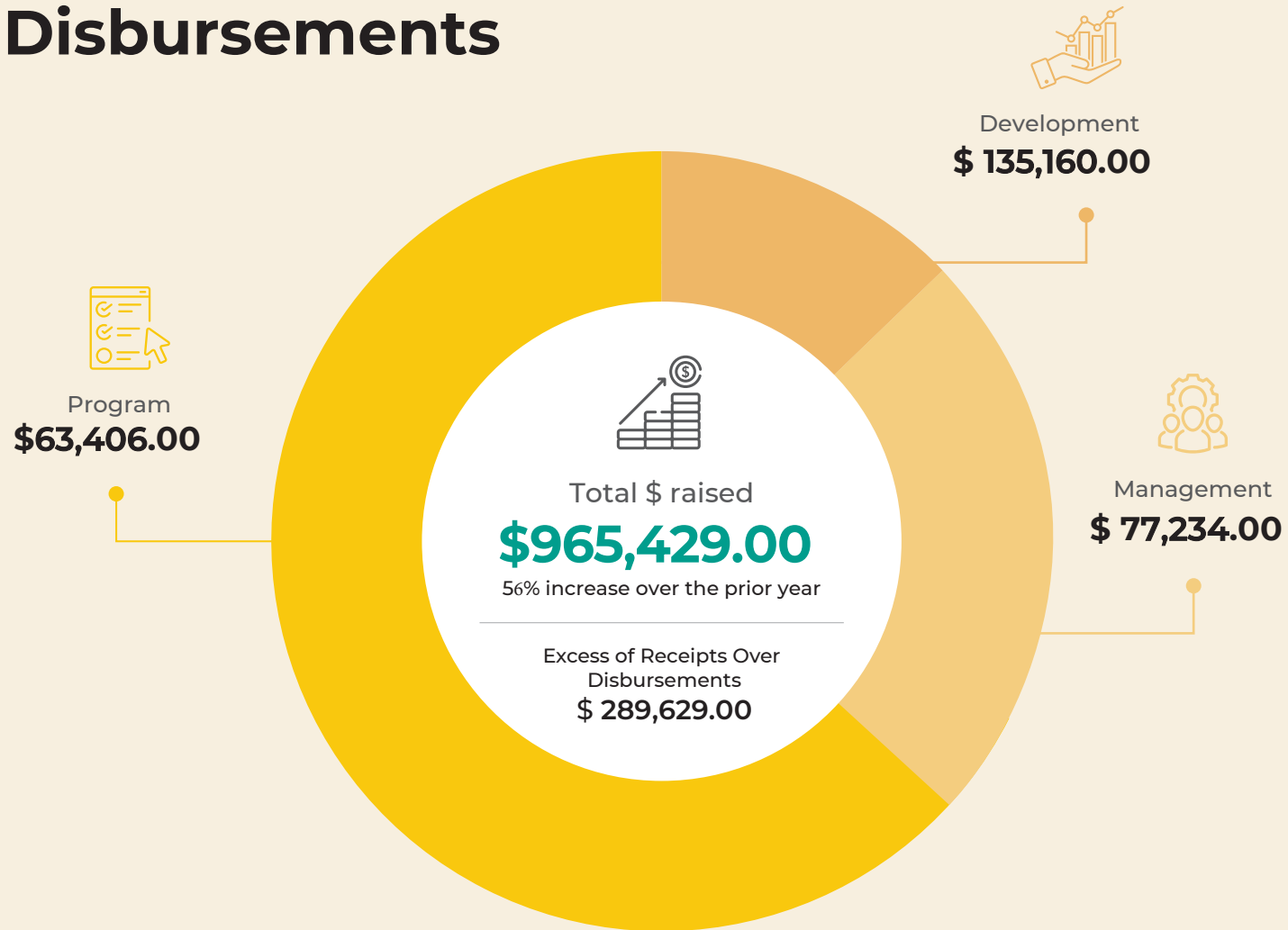
Fall Semester = 833 students (12 female)

Life Skills = 270 students

Reentry Programs = 90 students



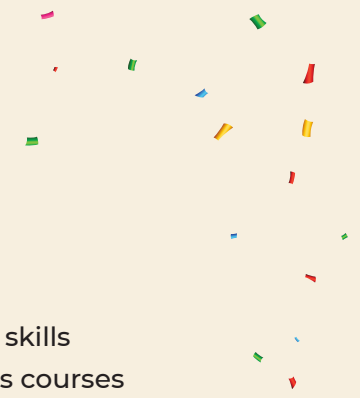
Expenses and Disbursements



Highlights

While the world slowed down due to the pandemic, Tayba didn't. We continued the vital work needed to serve our students and achieved important milestones in 2020!

- Served 2,299 students in over 500 prisons across 42 states, overcoming the many challenges posed by COVID-19 and lockdowns in many facilities.
- Hired two new staff members: a teacher and a Life Skills Program Manager.
- Based on student feedback, published a new edition of Islam 99 which remains extremely popular. More than 1,500 textbooks were shipped this year!
- Launched FIQH100, an introduction to the science of the divine Islamic law, as requested by many of our students.
- Hired an education expert to review our curriculum for improved learning outcomes and experiences.
- Published our first in-house Tayba Life Skills textbook, which is based on Motivational Interviewing. This approach teaches students how to create change in themselves and their communities.
- Expanded our reference library to facilitate life skills course development and added 2 new life skills courses (Leadership & Financial Intelligence) to our existing curriculum.
- Supported two incarcerated Tayba students in their successful efforts to develop an Islamic 12-step addiction recovery program.
- Continued development of the Detroit Halfway House in collaboration with DREAM.
- Trained and certified several staff members in counseling and mental health services.
- Established connections with key organizations throughout the U.S. in order to quickly locate assistance for Tayba students when and where they need it.



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

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