



# Joint Statement of Muslim Organizations on Federal Election 2025

This statement was drafted and approved after a lengthy process of *shurah* & deliberation by a committee of some of Canada's leading Muslim organizations, including the National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM), the Canadian Muslim Public Affairs Council (CMPAC), the National Muslim Action Fund (NMAF), The Canadian Muslim Vote (TCMV), as well as many of Canada's National organizations. 🍁



## ***Assalamu Alaikum*** **and Peace Be Upon You,**

As Canada approaches another pivotal election, we, the undersigned members of the Muslim community, come together in unity to reaffirm our collective responsibility: to vote with a conscience grounded in justice, human dignity, and a commitment to the betterment of society for all. Our community has a rich history of collaborating despite our diverse backgrounds, regional differences, and varying perspectives. We are determined to build on this legacy by working hand in hand, from coast to coast, for the greater good of our community and country.

The past year has been deeply painful. We have witnessed unspeakable atrocities against our brothers and sisters in Palestine, where the International Court of Justice has determined there is a plausible case of genocide. We've seen a Trump administration further articulate a desire to not only annex Canada, but to annex and ethnically cleanse Gaza—and to put a target on the Muslim community in general.

At home, we have seen political representatives across party lines dehumanize Muslims, question our loyalties, and cast baseless aspersions on our community. Islamophobia continues to rise, exemplified by legislation like Bill-21 in Quebec and exacerbated by political rhetoric and inaction. Economic uncertainty has left many struggling with affordability, and policies affecting civil liberties remain unaddressed. All of this is happening at a time when the very sovereignty of our nation is coming under attack.



## A Principled Approach

We recognize that our community is diverse in political thought, representing a wide spectrum of views on governance and policy. However, we must remain steadfast in upholding key principles that transcend partisanship:

**1 Standing for Justice and Human Rights** – We have a moral responsibility to uphold justice, especially in times of great challenge and adversity. This means we have a duty to advocate for the dignity and rights of all people—whether in Palestine or across Canada. Palestinian self-determination is part of a broader commitment to universal human rights. In light of rising threats to international law and the escalating risk of ethnic cleansing in Palestine and other regions, we need to ensure that politicians neither undermine nor remain silent on these issues. We need candidates to speak clearly about their principles, priorities, and actions to ensure these align with our values.

**2 Rejecting Complicity in Oppression** – Injustice anywhere fuels oppression everywhere. When our government enables human rights violations abroad, it emboldens discrimination, fuels Islamophobia, and erodes civil liberties at home. We must challenge policies—both foreign and domestic—that legitimize oppression and demand leadership that upholds justice and accountability for all.

**3 Addressing Local Issues that Affect All Canadians** – We have a duty to stand up for the most vulnerable in our society. Issues such as the affordability crisis, rising Islamophobia, threats to civil liberties, and economic policies that disproportionately impact Canadians of all backgrounds must be central to our advocacy.



## **A Call to Action: A Strategy Is Coming**

In the coming weeks, organizations will release further strategic recommendations on the election for our Muslim community. Until then, we urge every Muslim voter to:

- Stay informed about party platforms and policies that align with our principles.
- Engage with local candidates and ask where they stand on Gaza, human rights, Islamophobia, and economic justice.
- Recognize that principled leaders exist across the political spectrum and support candidates, regardless of party affiliation, who demonstrate a commitment to justice.

## **The Time for Unity is Now.**

As we move into the election, the Muslim community must mobilize to ensure our country lives up to its aspirations of being the global leader in prosperity, human dignity, and justice.

Let us move forward with purpose and conviction, knowing that when we work together, there's nothing we can't accomplish.



# Signed:

*National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM)*

*Canadian Muslim Public Affairs Council (CMPAC)*

*The Canadian Muslim Vote (TCMV)*

*National Muslim Action Fund (NMAF)*

*Abu Bakr Islamic Centre (Surrey)*

*Abu Huraira Islamic Relief Inc (Saint John, NB)*

*Abu Hurairah Masjid (Saint John, NB)*

*Abl-ill Bait Islamic Organization (Montreal)*

*Al Ihsan Islamic Centre Port Moody*

*Al-Gbazali Centre (London)*

*Al-Masjid Al-Jamia Vancouver (Vancouver)*

*Alliance of Educators for Muslim Students (AEMS) (York Region)*

*Alshareef Islamic Centre (Ottawa)*

*Anatolia Islamic Centre (Mississauga)*

*APS (Mississauga)*

*Arab Canadian Vote (Canada)*

*Ar-Rashaad Centre. (Brampton)*

*Association des étudiants musulmans de l'UdeM (Montreal)*

*Bel Agir (Al-ihsane) (Montreal)*

*Black Canadian Muslims (BCM) (Toronto)*

*Brock University Muslim Students' Association (St. Catharines)*

*Canadian Council of Imams (Canada)*

*Canadian Muslim Civil Liberties Association (Toronto)*

*Canadian Muslim Healthcare Network (Ottawa)*  
*Canadian Youth Development – CYD (Montreal)*  
*Comité des étudiants musulmans en droit de l’UdeM (Montreal)*  
*Fleetwood Islamic Academy Society of BC (Surrey)*  
*Guilford Islamic Cultural Center (Surrey)*  
*Hikma Public Affairs Council (London)*  
*Hilm (Brossard)*  
*Ibrahim Jame Mosque (Hamilton)*  
*ICNA Canada (Canada)*  
*Islamic Centre of Southwest Ontario (London)*  
*IslamicFamily (Edmonton)*  
*Islamic Institute of Toronto (Toronto)*  
*Islamic Information Society of Calgary (Calgary)*  
*Islamic Shia Ithna Asheri Association of Edmonton (Edmonton)*  
*Islamic Society of Ajax (Ajax)*  
*Islamic Society of Gloucester (Ottawa)*  
*Islamic Society of New Brunswick (Saint John)*  
*Islamic Society of Ridge Meadows (Maple Ridge)*  
*Islamic Supreme Council of Canada (Ajax)*  
*ISNA Canada (Mississauga)*  
*Itrust Community Centre (Pickering)*  
*Jame Abu Bakr Siddique (Scarborough)*  
*Jame Masjid Mississauga (IPC) (Mississauga)*  
*Jerrahi Sufi Order of Canada (Toronto)*  
*Jerusalem Community Services of Ontario (JCSO) (Ottawa)*  
*Justice for All Canada (Canada)*  
*Kamloops Islamic Association (Kamloops)*  
*Kanata Muslim Association (Ottawa)*  
*London Council of Imams (London)*  
*London Muslim Mosque (London)*  
*MAC – Al-Salam Centre (Calgary)*

*MAC – Barrhaven Islamic Centre (Ottawa)*

*MAC – Centre Communautaire Laurentien (Montreal)*

*MAC – Centre Communautaire de Quebec (Quebec)*

*MAC – Centre Communautaire Villeray (Montreal)*

*MAC – Canadian Institute of Islamic Civilization (Montreal)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre Cold Lake (Cold Lake)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre (Edmonton)*

*MAC – Hespeler Masjid (Cambridge)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre Hyde Park (London)*

*MAC – Islamic Community Centre of Ontario (Mississauga)*

*MAC – Kitchener Masjid (Kitchener)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre London (London)*

*MAC – Masjid Aisba (Guelph)*

*MAC – Masjid Toronto (Toronto)*

*MAC – Masonville (London)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre Ottawa (Ottawa)*

*MAC – Qurtuba Islamic Centre (Ottawa)*

*MAC – Rose City Islamic Centre (Windsor)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre Vancouver (Vancouver)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre Verdun (Montreal)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre Waterloo (Waterloo)*

*MAC – Islamic Centre Westmount (London)*

*MERCY – Muslim Education & Resources for Community and Youth (Canada)*

*Milton Palestine Action Committee (MPAC) (Milton)*

*Milton Quran Institute Milton (Milton)*

*Mission City Islamic Center (Vancouver)*

*Muslim Association of Brantford (Brantford)*

*Muslim Association of Canada (MAC) (Canada)*

*Muslim Association of Woodstock (Woodstock)*

*Muslim Council of Calgary (Calgary)*

*Muslim Educators Network of Ontario (Ontario)*

*Muslim Festive Ventures(MFV) (Milton)*  
*Muslim Food Bank Community Services (Surrey)*  
*Muslim Senior Care Services(MSCS) (Mississauga)*  
*National Muslim Action Fund (Surrey)*  
*OMCSS (Ottawa)*  
*Ottawa Muslim Association (Ottawa)*  
*Palestinian Association of Brantford (Brantford)*  
*Palestinian Canadian Community Association (Windsor)*  
*Palestinian House Association (PHA) (Calgary)*  
*Paramount Fine Foods (Toronto)*  
*RAHMA Foundation (Vancouver)*  
*Sabeel Muslim Youth and Community Centre (Halifax)*  
*SacredHand Canada (Mississauga)*  
*Simon Fraser University Muslim Students Association (Vancouver)*  
*Siraj Institute (Ottawa)*  
*St. Thomas Islamic Centre (St. Thomas)*  
*Tarbiyah Learning Academy (Ottawa)*  
*Tawbeed Community Centre (Mississauga)*  
*The BC Muslim Association (British Columbia)*  
*The Clear Islam Information Center (Windsor)*  
*Think for Actions (Calgary)*  
*Thompson River Muslim Student Association (Kamloops)*  
*Uyghur Mosque (Hamilton)*  
*Vancouver Jamia Masjid (Vancouver)*  
*Vancouver Jamia Mosque (Vancouver)*  
*Whiterock Muslim Association (Surrey)*  
*York Region Muslims (York Region)*

