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College and graduate students who participate in CAIR’s annual internship program receive practical training in the fields of political advocacy, civil rights, media relations, and leadership training. Pictured here are CAIR’s 2006 summer interns.

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At a dinner hosted by CAIR, Board Vice Chair Ahmad Al-Akhras and Executive Director Nihad Awad welcome former Iranian President Mohammad Khatami to speak on the importance of civilizational dialogue.
A MESSAGE FROM CAIR LEADERSHIP
Chairman of the Board’s Letter

Dear Brothers, Sisters and Friends:

As-salaam alaikum (peace be to you).

On behalf of the entire CAIR family, I thank you for your continued support. Your support is critical to sustaining our efforts to promote justice and mutual understanding. Together we have helped in enhancing understanding of Islam, promoting justice empowering the American Muslim community.

The past 18 months have been challenging not only for CAIR, but also for the American Muslim community.

Islamophobia continues to rise, assisted by a veritable cottage industry of extremists who pontificate with great certainty about the cause-effect relationship between Islam and terrorism, when none exists.

To enable us better project CAIR’s message and mission, we launched our new brand.

Developing a new brand was not just applying a fresh coat of paint, but rather restructuring and reforming the organization to make its policies, attitudes and actions consistent with our core values and aspirations.

The new brand solidifies our attributes as an organization that is authentically Islamic and absolutely American. It also reaffirms our commitment to peace, justice and dialogue by remaining judicious and balanced in our stances. President John F. Kennedy once said, “Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.” We did not want to miss our own making.

As we go forward, we pledge to work harder and smarter to build our organization to become more professional and enlightened citizens of America. Indeed, we hope that you will walk alongside us in the future, just as you did in the past.

We can only accomplish that goal with your continued support and prayers. Please take a moment to read our annual report. If you have any suggestions for improvement or comments please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Parvez Ahmed
Chairman of the Board

To be a leading advocate for justice and mutual understanding

www.cair.com
Promoting Education and Interaction

Our challenge: Growing Islamophobic sentiments and a lack of awareness of Islam in society have led to many misperceptions about Muslims and our faith.

Polarization continues to be a huge issue for Americans, and CAIR continues to fight for positive, educational initiatives to bridge the gap. Many Americans have negative views toward Islam, and there is a lack of information about Islam in society. As a result, CAIR has launched several campaigns to educate interested Americans about Islam and to provide them with opportunities to interact with everyday Muslims.

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In the official swearing-in ceremony with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) in the House Chamber, Rep. Keith Ellison (D-MN) knelt in front of a copy of the Quran once owned by Thomas Jefferson.

**Our challenge:** To educate American Muslims about the political process and to encourage their civic participation so they can serve as advocates for positive change in our society.

**Our goal:** To make sure American Muslims are becoming more engaged in the civic and political life of their communities.

**Like other religious and ethnic minorities, American Muslims are becoming more engaged in the civic and political life of their communities.**

In 2006, CAIR stepped up efforts in educating its community about its rights and responsibilities and equipped American Muslims with the advocacy tools and knowledge they need to make their voices and concerns heard in the halls of Congress.

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING**

In order to continue to secure the legacy of today’s advocacy work, it is vital to actively train the future leaders of the American Muslim community. At CAIR, this process starts by providing our youth with practical experience in public affairs.

Every year, Muslims from across the country apply for CAIR’s annual internship program, one of the most comprehensive and sought after internships in DC. In terms of practical training, it is impossible to overstate the benefits and opportunities that come with CAIR’s internship program. Students do everything from policy research and government relations to working at CAIR’s various chapters across the country. At CAIR, we believe that the future leaders of the American Muslim community need to understand the legal, political and social context of our community. As a result, our internship program is designed to provide them with the practical experience they need to make a difference.

**Training Our Youth: Tomorrow’s Leaders**

Nabeel Jawahir, 22, a political science and history graduate of the University of Kentucky, was never really your typical youth. At an early age, Jawahir found himself devoted to civic service. In middle school, he volunteered at his local Habitat for Humanity chapter and at his university’s Diversity and Engagement department, where he gained firsthand experience working with other minorities on campus.

Like many American Muslims who have been adversely affected by discriminatory policies following 9/11, Jawahir felt compelled to put his experience and energy toward helping his community.

Jawahir is one of many students from across the country who have interned at CAIR to gain invaluable skills in advocacy work. Every year, CAIR interns receive practical training in the fields of law, civil rights, public and media relations, research and leadership training, community outreach and chapter development. They work in the fields of law, civil rights, public and media relations, research and leadership training, community outreach and chapter development. They have the opportunity to work with other minorities on campus.

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Nabeel Jawahir is one of CAIR’s 2006 summer interns.

“Before the internship, I knew that many Muslims were discriminated against, but I had not realized the full extent and scope of this discrimination until I saw the sheer volume of incidents that were reported to CAIR,” said Jawahir, who now serves as the executive director of the CAIR-Kentucky chapter (CAIR-KY).

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In the summer of 2006, Jawahir interned with America’s leading Islamic civil rights group, CAIR, to gain professional experience in Muslim advocacy work. He interned in CAIR’s public affairs department, where he worked on various campaigns, legislative and government relations, outreach and chapter development. In his internship, Jawahir found himself devoted to civic service. In middle school, he volunteered at his local Habitat for Humanity chapter and at his university’s Diversity and Engagement department, where he gained firsthand experience working with other minorities on campus.

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The Indianapolis Star recently described CAIR as having “developed a reputation for being something of a pit bull in protecting the civil rights of Muslims.” That is why many across the country regularly turn to CAIR to defend their civil rights. Most often, CAIR engages in public and private diplomacy to win relief for the aggrieved parties, but sometimes it litigates these cases and works to win settlements for the victims.

PROFILING & SURVEILLANCE

In November, when six American imams were handcuffed and removed from a US Airways flight at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport for “suspicious activity,” CAIR was there to bring national attention to the case. CAIR worked with the imams to secure their safe return home and later called for congressional hearings on religious and ethnic profiling at airports. CAIR also retained a legal team to represent their interests in the matter. A lawsuit was filed on March 12, 2007. In the media, CAIR advocated for more effective law enforcement techniques in place of profiling at airports.

In August, CAIR and other civil rights groups scored a huge victory when a federal judge ruled that the U.S. government’s domestic eavesdropping program was unconstitutional and ordered it ended immediately. Earlier in 2006, CAIR joined as ACLU brave challenging the constitutionality of the warrantless eavesdropping program.

In May, CAIR also called for the appointment of a special counsel to investigate revelations that the National Security Agency (NSA) had built giant databases of Americans’ phone records. The phone records monitoring program, reportedly authorized by the president shortly after the 9/11 attacks, authorizes the NSA to bypass a secret court set up to provide warrants for such surveillance.

2006 CIVIL RIGHTS REPORT

Each year since 1995, CAIR has issued an annual civil rights report on the status of American Muslim civil liberties. The one-of-a-kind report outlined incidents and experiences of anti-Muslim violence, discrimination and harassment. According to the most recent study, “The Struggle for Equality,” there were 1,972 cases filed with CAIR in 2005; that figure is a 29.6 percent jump over the preceding year’s total of 1,522 cases. In addition, CAIR received 153 reports of anti-Muslim hate crime complaints, an 8.6 percent increase from the 141 complaints received in 2004.

The study also recommends a number of actions designed to help reverse the tide of anti-Muslim discrimination. These recommendations include a public inquiry into post-9/11 policies impacting the Muslim community, legislative action to curb the use of profiling by law enforcement agencies, strengthening hate crime prosecutions, and modifications to the USA PATRIOT Act.

PROTECTING CIVIL LIBERTIES

Upholding Our Constitutional Rights

Our challenge: Post-9/11 government policies, particularly those based on ethnic and religious profiling, have adversely impacted American Muslim civil liberties.

Our goal: To increase awareness of the status of Muslim civil rights and defend the constitutionally-protected rights that all Americans hold dear.
Our goal: To exemplify the true essence of justice in Islam through our words and actions and to repudiate any group, individual or state that commits acts of terrorism.

Our challenge: Those who commit acts of terror, murder and cruelty in the name of Islam betray the values of the faith and add to the misconceptions many have about Muslims.

In Islam, one of the most important principles is to avoid unjust and illegal acts. The Quran states: “O you who believe, stand up firmly for justice, as witnesses to God, even if it be against your kin or your parents...” (4:135)

This moral command applies to all Muslims and is what drives CAIR to use its platform to push for justice, not only in the Middle East but worldwide.

CAIR’S PEACE DELEGATION

The moral command applies to all Muslims and what drives CAIR today. Last week, with the help of the Christian Science Monitor, CAIR was able to obtain a visa on behalf of a detained American soldier, for whom the vacation was to become a nightmare.

It said, “We ask that her captors show mercy and compassion by releasing her so that she may return to her family.”

CAIR also used its platform to appeal for the release of another soldier, whose family was devastated by the capture of their loved one. The soldier, whose name has been withheld, was captured by enemy forces while on duty in Iraq.

Families directly affected by violence and brutality in the Middle East should have the right to seek justice and support from their own government. CAIR’s role is to amplify their voices and to bring attention to their struggles.

The families of the soldiers CAIR has helped have expressed their gratitude to the organization for its efforts. One family wrote, “CAIR helped me get my family back. When somebody supports you on that magnitude, there are no words to express your gratitude. CAIR gave me family support. CAIR does a great job, they do their best to inform, educate and empower the American community. They helped me learn how to become an active citizen in the American community and how to handle crisis situations.”

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Our Community

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One early morning in June 2006, after dropping his wife and four children at the Los Angeles International airport, Mahmood Tarifi promised his family that he would soon join them in Beirut for their summer vacation.

Tarifi, a Lebanese American and a dedicated father and husband, was excited to see his children finally on their way to Lebanon to visit their grandparents for the first time.

Little did he know that his dreams of a memorable family trip would soon turn into one of his greatest nightmares. A month after their arrival to Lebanon, a war between Lebanon and Israel broke out, leaving many civilians in a frenzy desperately trying to flee the country.

From July 12 to 22, Tarifi and his family lived in fear and sorrow. As cruise ships were ferrying thousands of Americans to safety, Tarifi and his wife and four children were repeatedly told they could not board because there was no room on the ship.

“O you who believe, stand up firmly for justice, as witnesses to God, even if it be against your relatives, or your parents, or your kin...”

- Quran 4:135

Tarifi, upset and frustrated, decided to call CAIR. “I talked to my wife and children and they were all in tears,” he said. “I had it on my mind that whenever you need help to call CAIR.”

In the press conference, Tarifi passionately pleaded to the American government to rescue his children, who are all United States citizens.

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CAIR relies on representatives from its 32 chapters to successfully replicate its national strategies to fit the needs of cities and towns across the country. CAIR's success on the grass roots level has helped secure its long-term stability and future success for years to come.

By 2010, CAIR hopes to have a chapter in every state in the nation. Below are a few examples of the cases that CAIR chapters worked on in 2006.

CAIR-Ohio reacted quickly to a proposed “jihad-themed” radio ad. The radio station would have proclaimed a “jihad” on the U.S. auto market and offered “Fatwa Fridays” with sales representatives in “burqas” giving free swords to children.

After CAIR-Ohio intervened, an official with the Mitsubishi dealership offered an apology for any misunderstanding, caused by “an attempt at humor that fell short” and decided not to air the spots.

In Florida, when a local pastor played on Islamophobia with a radio attack themed “Young Americans on Jihad” radio ad for a car dealer. The ads reportedly would have proclaimed a “jihad” on the U.S. auto market and offered “Fatwa Fridays” with sales representatives in “kurqas” giving free swords to children.

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In California and Chicago, CAIR offices joined other civil rights groups in filing a class action lawsuit against the federal government for its practice of indefinitely detaining Muslim students.

CAIR-Chicago announced that it had organized more than 1,000 new Muslims through the New Americans Democracy Project (NADP) in partnership with the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Religious Rights (ICIRR).

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CAIR-Chicago’s government relations department also facilitated the CAIR-Chicago Voter Education Guide, a guide that provided Illinois voters with information on all candidates running statewide and congressional campaigns.

CAIR-MD/VA has successfully implemented projects and initiatives to benefit its local Muslim community. Some of its 2006 highlights include an imams media training seminar, a panel on airport profiling and airline travel safety, and a workshop on volunteer management. CAIR-MD/VA has also hosted several presentations on Islam and Muslims for schools, colleges and community organizations such as the Junior League.

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What They Say: Politicians on CAIR

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“Throughout its decade of existence, CAIR-LA has been instrumental in promoting cultural and religious understanding of the Muslim community. I am pleased that CAIR-LA has dedicated its efforts to building coalitions between non-Muslim and Muslim communities in an effort to eliminate stereotypes and promote true understanding and cooperation. I look forward to a continued partnership with CAIR-LA as we strive for freedom and understanding among all who call America home.” - Rep. Loretta Sanchez (D-CA)

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A YEAR IN REVIEW
2006-2007
A COLLECTIVE EFFORT

A Sampling of CAIR’s Media Endeavors

In 2006-2007, CAIR representatives were interviewed more than 1,200 times by national and international media outlets. CAIR organized more than 30 press conferences and published more than a dozen editorials nationwide.

SAMPLES OF TELEVISION APPEARANCES:

- Feb. 7: CAIR-LA Executive Director Hussam Ayloush discusses Hamas, Muslim news and the use of American-English terms with CNN’s “Wolf Blitzer’s Politics Tonight.”
- April 9, 2007: CAIR-LA Executive Director Hussam Ayloush discusses Snohomish County Council Chairwoman’s anti-Muslim comments with C-SPAN.
- Sept. 27, 2006: CAIR-LA Executive Director Nihad Awad discusses the House Armed Services Committee’s hearing on Muslims in Congress with CNN. He also appears on the PBS NewsHour.
- Aug. 25, 2007: CAIR-SFBA Executive Director Safaa Ibrahim discusses the Antioch Mosque arson case on CBS5.

SAMPLES OF EDITORIALS:

- ISLAMOPHOBIA is a national media issue. CAIR organized more than 50 press conferences and published more than a dozen editorials nationwide.

SAMPLES OF SEMINARS AND WORKSHOP APPEARANCES:

- On Feb. 22, CAIR-San Antonio Valley hosted the Fourth Annual Muslim Reception to build and enhance relations with local media professionals.
- On Aug. 17, CAIR-McGovern Executive Director Dawud Walid spoke on the “True Face of Islam: Prejudices and Misconceptions” at the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ) Conference in Indianapolis.
- On Feb. 3, CAIR-San Francisco Bay Area hosted First Annual Media Networking event “American Muslims, American Stories” to build and enhance relations with local media professionals.

Building Better Relations: Imam Media Seminar

To encourage active media participation, an Southern Californi-a trainees and community leaders came together for a specialized media seminar on July 30, sponsored by the Council on American-Islamic Relations, Greater Los Angeles area and One Nation.

One Nation is a philanthropic collaboration that sponsors initiatives that challenge stereotypes and injustices directed towards Muslims.

On Sept. 26, 2007, CAIR Executive Director Nihad Awad discusses the House Armed Services Committee’s hearing on Muslims in Congress with CNN. He also appears on the PBS NewsHour.

“To believe in the call of our times, we need to be more educated, more enlightened and more aware of what’s happening around us and what’s being said about us. Getting the training that’s necessary to represent ourselves as well as our communities in a more healthy, more positive fashion is a necessity, not only something that’s important.”

Sherief Mohammed Elgazy, Imam of the Islamic Institute of Orange County in Anaheim.
CAIR CALIFORNIA: YEAR IN REVIEW

An Overview of 2006-2007

CAIR works with various law enforcement agencies across California to provide resources to handle matters relating to the community. Each year, CAIR continues to document and help resolve cases of discrimination against Muslims in America. These strategies are put to work through education by holding meetings to discuss community policing issues and conducting sensitivity training programs designed to increase awareness and understanding. CAIR also hosts an annual Community Legal Day in Sacramento. The Legal Clinic helped over 96 community members with immigration from employment to discrimination, and assisted in more than 40 community members through education by holding meetings to discuss community policing issues and conducting sensitivity training programs designed to increase awareness and understanding.

CAIR focuses on assisting the media in presenting accurate information about Islam and Muslims by providing interviews to radio, television, and print outlets. Every day, CAIR works on dispelling myths about Islam and Muslims in America. CAIR-CA has been on the forefront of positive engagement with government officials.

CAIR-CAIRSacramento Valley Executive Director Basim Elkarra receives Keith Ellison in Washington D.C. Top: CAIR California Staff and Board meet with the first Muslim Congressman, Keith Ellison, in Washington D.C. and locally in California and was also invited to attend a joint session of Congress to hear the address of King Abdullah II of Jordan. Moreover, CAIR held its 3rd Annual Youth Leadership MYTCP Conference to connect an eclectic group of Muslims across America with similar goals.

CAIR participates in the Annual Pilgrimage to the Manzanar Memorial to reiterate that Muslims all around the world face the same struggles as the Japanese Americans who were from the state to learn about the political process and the importance of community organizing. CAIR-CAIRSacramento Valley Executive Director Basim Elkarra receives Keith Ellison in Washington D.C. Top: CAIR California Staff and Board meet with the first Muslim Congressman, Keith Ellison, in Washington D.C. and locally in California and was also invited to attend a joint session of Congress to hear the address of King Abdullah II of Jordan. Moreover, CAIR held its 3rd Annual Youth Leadership MYTCP Conference to connect an eclectic group of Muslims across America with similar goals.

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PRAISEWORTHY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A Sampling of CAIR’s National Recognition
Sources of Financial Support

CAIR operating funds come from four main funding sources: donations, restricted income and other revenue. The following statement of activities is for the fiscal year of 2007 for CAIR chapters in San Francisco, San Diego, Greater Los Angeles Area and Sacramento Valley.

- **Donations ($1,033,585.00)**: 65%
- **Other Revenue ($130,882.00)**: 8%
- **Restricted Income ($425,475)**: 26%
  - “Explore Life of the Prophet” Campaign 37%
  - “Explore Quran” Campaign 34%
  - Other Outreach Projects 28%

**TOTAL: $1,589,942**

**Expenses**

- **Payroll & Benefits**: 34%
- **Outreach Activities Travel**: 42%
- **Legal/Accounting Fees and Depreciation**: 3%
- **Office Lease and Utilities**: 12%
- **IT & Supplies**: 6%
- **Taxes**: 3%

**TOTAL: $1,507,159.00**

Every year, CAIR hosts leadership training seminars at its headquarters in order to empower its chapters with the tools they need to succeed on the grassroots level.
CAIR LEADERSHIP

Board Members, Staff, California Chapters

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