

Issues on the front burner...

On Friday, August 15, 2014, you're invited to join in an unprecedented event—**The National Town Hall for Mutual Consultation: Towards An Intelligentsia**. YOU ARE THE GUEST SPEAKER along with fellow believers from around the country, all embarking on a sustained path of strategic planning to enhance our work, our attainment of the model community vision and our contribution to help remake the world. The weekend will be intense, but enjoyable in a respectful atmosphere of amruhum shuraa baynahum. Please visit cwsconline.wordpress.com for more online tools to help you gather your thoughts in advance. Blessed journey and may Allah (SWT) guide and reward our efforts!

Achieving the Model Community Vision . . .

With Allah's Name, The Merciful Benefactor, The Merciful Redeemer

"To each is a goal to which Allah turns him; then strive together (as in a race) towards all that is good. Wherever ye are, Allah will bring you together." (Al-Qur'an, 2:148)

Community Wide Shuraa Conference (CWSC)

What is CWSC? When did it begin? What are its goals and direction? How is it helping to achieve the model community vision? Learn the answers to these and other questions at the National Town Hall for Mutual Consultation.

Issues on the Front Burner- Instructions to Participants

Use this tool in conjunction with the *Model Community Life Schematic* and other advance preparation tools available online at Town Hall Central to help you gather your thoughts and bring greater efficiency to our deliberations.

For each issue on your front burner:

1. State the issue of concern.
2. Why is it a concern (implications & effects)?
3. What are the short, intermediate and long-range issues, risks or consequences we face if we don't address the issue?
4. Is there an organization you believe is already seeking to address the matter?
5. What are some specific Qur'anic-based supports (Surah, hadith) or other related Islamic-based support that address the matter and could help define the solution and resolve the problem? Write down the specific reference(s).
6. What internal community and/or external community challenges, weaknesses or threats may make the mission more difficult to accomplish?
7. Are unique resources or strengths easily available to make the mission easier?
8. What role and time commitment are you willing to personally take on in working with others to fulfill the required mission?

Think also about unrealized opportunities we maybe overlooking as a community.

9. What are the benefits and possibly how can we take advantage of the opportunity?
10. Especially consider Items 7 & 8 above when analyzing the opportunity.

"Think for surely thinking profits the thinker[s]." Bring your notes to the Town Hall to refer to. Please share Town Hall Central and its tools with others who may be unable to attend the National Town Hall. Ask them to give you their notes from their issues on the front burner. Blessed Journey to St. Louis!