



Unleashing and harnessing the full capacity inherent in the group intellect

CWSC 2016 Annual Report

Service to the Believer



Together...we can remake the world!

The ability to leverage intellectual resources and to distribute talents across geographical and institutional boundaries, and across the landscape of challenges and opportunities that face every community and institution—that's what a national intelligentsia can do for us and for the world. To unleash and harness the full capacity inherent in the group intellect, we'll have to make the connections not only inside Scripture, but we'll also need to make the connections with one another...that's the vision of CWSC.

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MISSION STATEMENT

To realize our model community vision by operating as a national intelligentsia, think tank, volunteer resource and broadcasting network researching, designing, communicating and implementing solutions that enhance goal achievement in all aspects of our community life.

VISION STATEMENT

To remake our world into a better place by unleashing and harnessing the full capacity inherent in the group intellect.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The ethical guides for our actions are the Qur'an and the life example of Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him). Our leadership legacy in Imam W. Deen Mohammed (R) serves as a contemporary example of the application of Qur'an and the life example of Prophet Muhammed (S).

FOCUS

The Community Wide Shuraa Conference™ (CWSC) is established as a community service organization supporting the Qur'anic principle of representative democracy or mutual consultation (Amruhum Shuraa Baynahum) in the conduct of community affairs and believes that only through Shuraa can the power of our group intellect be fully utilized for solving problems and discovering opportunities that help each of us improve our individual, family and community life.

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COVER PHOTOS (L-R) shown are Ambassador Programs Director Imam Abdul Azeez greets international nonprofit Compassion Action Foundation's CEO Savak Ozturk and Lailah Mohammed; Weill Cornell Medicine, NYC College of Technology Dean of Diversity, Dr. W. Marcus Lambert joins national scholarship committee; Dr. Aisha Kareem represents CWSC at U.N. Special Session on Global Drug Policy Reform; Featured AM360 talk show host Imam Yusuf Ramadan of A New Day for Al-Islam in America; and recent appointee to AM360 Business Manager Munirah Habel, co-host of the Courtship And Marriage Learning Lab on AM360.





The #1 Islamic radio station in the nation...where your intellect is respected and your voice protected

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Connecting the American Muslim intelligentsia with national and international institutions and communities

NATIONAL SPEAKERS BUREAU

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"Guide us to the straight path. The path of those upon whom You have bestowed Your favor..."

Al-Qur'an: 1:6-7

Year 2016 marked the Community Wide Shuraa Conference's (CWSC) third full year of operations as a national non-profit intelligentsia. However, the year's tempo reflected a more seasoned institution that saw accelerated accomplishment of several long-range goals that leaders thought were several years away. But our Lord knows best. We are happy to report that CWSC completed its strongest year ever, operationally and financially.

The leadership stabilized at the board of directors' level, with the executive director completing a second full year of tenure in office. The internal focus was on continuing to build the operational infrastructure and administrative systems, while identifying and assigning personnel to operate ten national intelligentsia components including:

- a broadcasting network.
- speakers bureau.
- online national resource directory
- volunteer human resource network.
- think tank.
- college scholarship program.
- learning labs.
- inter-organization collaborative.
- intern & leadership development program.
- international collaborative.

This year saw some intelligentsia components in scaffolding stage, while others were maturing in organization and increasing in their expected delivery of outputs.

The most mature of the ten intelligentsia components, [American Muslim 360 Broadcasting Network](#), saw its largest increase in numbers,

categories and hours of programming, as well as the size of the host team. The transition in the executive producer leadership role and a new appointee was essential in helping continue the development of AM360 as a national broadcast center and a fully integrated CWSC intelligentsia component. As we look ahead to 2017, we will be assessing the function of key leadership roles and appropriate nomenclature to reflect the growing complexity of AM360. One example: the station has grown to need a general manager (planned for 2017) reporting directly to the CEO.

AM360 also saw integration of professional broadcasting techniques in public service announcements (PSA), station identification, and general promotion as a result of appointing a PSA Manager. We also appointed a human relations director and a business manager for corporate underwriting & sponsorship.

Believer-supported listener fundraising continued to advance through the development of our semi-annual Telethons which currently provide the bulk of funding for all CWSC operations. AM360 is the lead intelligentsia department helping to build her sister intelligentsia components.

Our broadcasting network experienced tremendous growth with a record number of programs, hosts and more live broadcasting hours. Bypassing what could have proved a major disruption; our team handled the smooth transition to a new listener call in number at (515) 605-9891 flawlessly. For next calendar year, we will be looking to a major restructuring to sustain current operations and manage future growth.

We continue to be a leading voice against racism, violent religious extremism and Islamophobia and a leading platform sharing Imam Dr. W. Deen Mohammed's commentary.

Broadcasting more than 30 programs weekly, and with 24 hour daily archiving plus live programming, we provide over 8000 hours of Islamic programming year round. Our most important broadcast is the Friday Salat al Jumah Khutbah conducted in coordination and partnership with khatibs, mosques, masajid and Islamic centers throughout the U.S. The partnership enables us to fulfill one of CWSC's most important community services: [Share-Your-Jumah](#), that offers a vital link for those most vulnerable, like the elderly, disabled, sick and others unable to visit a mosque on Fridays; for these believers, AM360 gives them a Jumah khutbah (Friday prayer sermon) to hear right from the comfort of their home or office. As a result, we nationally broadcast more salat al-jumahas from the widest group intellect than any other source in America.

Moreover, our Jumah khutbas extend beyond U.S. borders to the international community, and that's important in fighting extremism and helping to strengthen legitimate voices for the true image of Al-Islam globally.

Over the past twenty-four months, the transition of AM360 from a sole proprietorship entity to a national non-profit intelligentsia component under CWSC has firmly secured the solvency of the institution for the foreseeable future. The challenge now is to continue expanding financial support and diversity of revenue streams to grow AM360 domestically and internationally, and to advance all CWSC intelligentsia components and our capacity to do good. Please continue reading and see [Financial Highlights](#) and our [Consolidated Financial Statement](#) for more detailed financial information.

We look to welcome new audiences as we collaborate with other faith-based and shared interest communities and institutions to bring on new categories of programming including interfaith, live theater and cultural entertainment venues, civil

rights, and programming on the core Islamic pillars and related subjects, along with a wider diversity in our hosts. In fact, one of our Christian brethren volunteers will be exploring the history of the Prophet (S) in a weekly broadcast. On the diversity front, CWSC is ahead of schedule welcoming members of our [Christian community](#) into conference, broadcasting and leadership roles. We look forward to allying with more persons and institutions among the People of the Book.

[The National Speakers Bureau](#). Initial groundwork has been laid to structure the Speakers Bureau with an expected permanent appointment of a Director in 2017. The *twin servant* of American Muslim 360, the Speakers Bureau will extend our group intellect's ability to influence dialogue and perceptions well into the four birds of society (business, culture, education, and government) by actively engaging in-off-air with institutions and communities beyond the current reach of AM360. The Bureau will complement our broadcasting network and national think tank capability; together, all three components form a powerful intelligentsia collaboration that are reciprocally supportive of one another and that elevates our voices to a proper level in the American society. The immediate goal is to continue building a diverse offering of public speakers with expertise across a breadth of specialties, from community activism to education to economic and social justice reform that speak through the filter of an American Muslim faith-based perspective. At the end of 2016, fifteen speakers were registered as distinguished lecturers. We'd like to launch the Bureau with at least 50 public speakers nationwide. A director for this intelligentsia component who has the vision to build, manage, and promote the Bureau inside our communities and in the broader society is the key to successfully launching and sustaining this powerful intelligentsia capability.

The [Model Communities National Resource Directory](#) is the online catalog and request portal of a network system that gives institutions access to CWSC's volunteer human resources. MCNRD continues to catalog volunteer human resources available throughout the national group intellect.

We saw a 20% growth in numbers of volunteers over last year. Most registrants are individual volunteers while about 12% of registrants were organizations by year-end. Because the concept is new, MCNRD awareness is lower than desired. Steps are being taken to promote the directory and its volunteer network to organizations, along with an on-air and off-air marketing campaign sharing the benefits of having access to skilled expertise nationally, rather than solely relying on limited resources within the four walls of an institution. CWSC itself relies on the MCNRD to accomplish work and seeks to exemplify what can be accomplished using the MCNRD.

We ramped up promotion of MCNRD on our broadcasting network via the PSA or public service announcement method. Greater awareness is also being promoted by our broadcast hosts integrating the MCNRD registration into their programming and encouraging the audience to register. Early next year, new AM360 programming with the executive director hosting, will debut to help promote not only the MCNRD, but also share and explain the entire CWSC concept to communities. The broadcast, *Getting to Know the CWSC* is set to debut between the first and second quarter of 2017.

We currently have volunteers distributed across 21 states. However, there is significant room for growth in raw numbers, geographically, and by interest or expertise. Present online capability allows [registration](#) for both individuals and organizations to connect and to collaborate via remote and on-site visits for initiating, managing, and improving local projects and internal administration and operations.

Via the MCNRD, CWSC realized a core goal of both ethnic and religious diversity among its volunteers, ahead of schedule, signaling that we're headed in the right direction to be of benefit to the Muslim and broader society. We are very proud to count among our group intellect, both volunteers and organizations from among our brethren People of the Book.

Our [National Think Tank](#) capability continues to grow as we assemble researches, writers and

editors through the MCNRD. Building on the success of our United Nations NGO partnership program last year, we met another significant goal for our group intellect when we set to task the publication of our second international paper for the U.N.'s upcoming session on Women's Economic Empowerment with U.N. Secretary General António Guterres to be held during the first quarter of 2017. [A CWSC Position Paper: Submission to the Draft Agreed Conclusions for Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work U.N. Conference](#), will be presented in New York in joint cooperation with the GRail, by our CWSC delegation.

One of the primary concepts driving CWSC's design is embodied in "*words make people*," a famous quote by Imam Dr. W. Deen Mohammed (R). Operationally speaking, the preceding quote can achieve its maximum realization only when a think tank capability with publishing division is established at the highest level of excellence; CWSC remains committed to accomplishing this goal step-by-step as greater intellectual and other resources become available. Intellectual resources recruited via the MCNRD will continue to be the primary means of identifying writers and researchers who can jointly produce publications on selected issues.

A nationally focused publication on faith-based institutional support in the safety net for senior citizens is the next planned document in 2017 and represents a synthesis of intelligentsia components coming together to produce the end product, including public dialogue aired on AM360, MCNRD Team deliberations, and the National Think Tank. Plans to hold post publication panel discussions on the senior focus document are planned after Ramadan 2017.

International Outreach and Collaboration. Our collaboration with both the Samuel Dewitt Proctor Group and the GRail opened our eyes to the need for an accelerated international relations effort. While we seek to help remake the world, we naturally start at home and move outward; however, opportunities don't present in straight lines and we have sought to remain flexible based on the opportunities that present, regardless of any

international strategic plan on paper. That said, this year showed we really need to accelerate the establishment of an office of international relations and we will be devoting some planning to identifying and assembling persons who have expertise and interest in international relations and can strengthen our international delegations and outreach partnerships including being on call for U.N. meetings that occur throughout the year.

CWSC also began looking for ways to encourage and support individual publishing by authors from our group intellect, including carrying and promoting publications in our online store, broadcasting interviews, and establishing recognition programs for outstanding authorship and publishing.

We believe an intelligentsia must also include components linked to higher education and support in attracting and securing next generation intelligentsia leaders for our group intellect. CWSC continued its commitment in 2016 through its scholarship, internship and leadership development programs.

CWSC's [College Scholarship Program](#) offered more scholarships than ever this year in the form of direct aid to a graduating college bound senior or currently enrolled college student. Awareness through promotion continues to be the single most important step in ensuring all scholarships are awarded. PSAs on AM360 and promotion via the CWSC website are the primary means of marketing, supplemented with social media like twitter, facebook, youtube and google+.

Increasing our scholarship level of direct financial support is a top priority. Once again, awareness, and specifically promoting the [cultural and historic preservation](#) attribute in our scholarship program are key to increasing the amount of scholarships awarded annually. CWSC as a national scholarship administrator offers you the opportunity to open nationally supported and promoted, tax-deductible scholarships in honor of a family pioneer. Over the next 18 months, we would like to double the level of scholarships offered and awarded.

We welcomed three millennial generation volunteers and voices to our broadcasting network, and our partnership with the Know Me-No Me Institute continued to provide critical hands-on leadership development. We look to continue formalizing our internship program and publishing guidelines under an internship director, so students can obtain college credits and receive other formal recognition.

[Learning Labs](#) are national teleconference "classrooms" where CWSC volunteers can share with others the "how to" on getting the job done. This year's labs proved very popular and covered topics from family relationships to community building. Of particular note was the CWSC sponsored Learning Lab, *Combating the Needless Waste of Human and Material Resources: The Power of the Pen & the Group Intellect in Program and Project Design, Launch & Management*. The discussion centered on: How do we do good and at the same time build in the requisite architecture from blueprints that include the best systems design and process control for success. The presentation will be aired on AM360 for the entire community in 2017.

Several labs became regular programming additions on AM360 including the popular *Parenting & Family Reconstruction* Learning Lab. Continued expansion of the learning lab concept is planned for 2017.

[Ambassador Program](#). CWSC conferred in closed session with several national organizations, and supported numerous conferences and events around the country with a CWSC ambassador presenting letters of congratulations and formal greetings to leaders. Ambassadors bridge intra and interfaith relationships and promote good will.

At the international level we made history again when we were invited into partnership for the first time by the Malaysia U.S. Chamber of Commerce to both attend and officially broadcast from the Embassy of Malaysia in Washington, D.C., the 3rd Annual Islamic Finance Capital Market Conference "*Prioritizing the Next Phase of the Growth of Islamic Capital Markets in the United States*". The event was a special opportunity to share and Insha Allah,

network in the future. We were also present in New Jersey to share in the festivities with the international nonprofit Compassion Action Foundation and to meet our brother and the organization's CEO, Savak Ozturk.

However, a major intelligentsia component, the [National Leadership Advisory Council](#) or NLAC remained dormant pending appointment of a director to oversee the department. NLAC remains a critical CWSC goal to work for greater shuraa-based collaboration with the leaders of other national organizations.

On the financial side of the house, 2016 proved another record-setting year for fundraising, as the CWSC AM360 Team with the support of our national listenership and supporters raised over \$20K in two telethons, with a portion flowing over into calendar year 2017 as a result of December's Telethon.

The telethon fundraiser concept is based on a shared Believer Supported broadcast model that makes it easy on the individual donor to contribute small amounts when the total operating burden is distributed nationally. Combined with CWSC's fundraising efficiency, every dime contributed via the telethon is leveraged to maximum capacity. For every dime invested in total relatable fundraising, CWSC took in one dollar.

Our listener supported Telethon enables us to generate and allocate donor contributions in direct support of programs and services for communities nationwide, while making us an independent broadcasting voice, beholden only to our mission, vision, guiding principles, and service commitment to the believer.

CWSC finished the year in the black with the strongest balance sheet since beginning operations. Such success is partly due to heavy utilization of communication and work process technologies that significantly reduce administrative overhead and other operating costs. CWSC volunteers use a work design process that minimizes the need for face-to-face meetings, travel, and other expense associated with getting work done throughout the year. CWSC

efficiency was 85% meaning of every dollar spent, 85cents went directly to intelligentsia services for the community with only 1% allocated to administrative expenses and 14% for fundraising expense.

Our positive balance sheet is the result of dedicated volunteers and others providing in-kind contributions from their businesses or personal funds to help us build our intelligentsia. Yet, we remain committed to our diversification goal of increasing funding to include grants, philanthropy, bequests, broadcast advertising revenue, corporate sponsorships, store and other sales revenue. And above all, CWSC is committed to being prudent stewards and managers of every gift you entrust with us.

Our official consolidated intelligentsia website www.cwsc.us continued to expand in 2016, offering a communications, operations and ecommerce donor, and [CWSC Store](#) technology platform helping us to administrate national operations with less manual labor hours.

Our site is also the portal for our broadcasting schedule and national sharing of our own and other institutions' events. Students, educators and researchers alike were also helped by the integration of Imam Mohammed's leadership milestones and history into our [National Calendar of Events](#).

Our website is also the primary method for institutions to request onsite or remote expertise assistance via the MCNRD and for individuals to network with one another. Institutions and individuals were helped via the MCNRD during the year, but again awareness is necessary to reach the full potential of what our volunteer network can achieve. We expect to make some upgrades to our website in 2017 to enhance your access to AM360 and improve some other features, so stay tuned.

Another primary goal for 2017 is to bridge passive dialogue with active volunteerism by reinforcing via AM360, the urgent need to have believers nationwide register in the MCNRD; to this aim, we

launched the PSA campaign *“Words make people, but it will take people to remake the world,”* to promote a unique capability no other broadcasting center in America offers—the ability to benefit from the synthesis of a broadcasting network coupled with supporting intelligentsia components that enable passionate sharing of ideas with volunteer hours that can change the circumstances for the communities affected by the very issues we speak so passionately on each day. CWSC through multiple means remains committed to helping communities move from idea to reality.

Today’s modern institution thrives on its ability to communicate via social media and CWSC is no exception. It remains a challenging environment to not only maintain an effective electronic footprint, but also to keep up with changing trends and applications. We’ve operated to date without a dedicated social media manager, and that deficit hampers our social media progress. For 2017, we are hoping to appoint a dedicated social media manager to more fully develop our presence at least on platforms such as [facebook](#), [twitter](#), [google+](#) and [youtube](#).

Without doubt, it’s CWSC’s volunteers, advisors, individual and institutional donors, corporate underwriters and sponsors that enable us to get the job done. As we wrap up our third year of national operations, we’re inspired by the tremendous support and well wishes received from around the country. Individuals and organizations are invited to network with us in this shared freedom space of community service, where the voice of every believer is respected and where each of our intellects can be leveraged for the maximum benefit of all...together we can remake the world.

And now more CWSC highlights from calendar year 2016 and some key goals for 2017:

- The CWSC Roundtable and other programming covered topics from immigration policy, reform, law and politics to African-American History to Special Ramadan Programming. At Ramadan 2016, we lost a champion for Al-Islam and human rights, while we also lost a brother and community member with the

passing of Heavyweight Champion Muhammad Ali (R). CWSC through AM360, brought communities together to help us pay respect with [special programming](#) dedicated to the Champ, including special later interviews with former Ali spouse Khalilah Camacho Ali, son Muhammad Jr., and others who knew or met the Champ.

- We expanded our [College Financial Aid Program](#) as a national scholarship administrator for families wishing to establish a [lasting legacy](#) for pioneers by adding the Payton Next Generation Scholarship; establishing a posthumous scholarship to honor Imam Thomas Abdul Salaam (R); and adding two more family pioneer scholarships bringing the total to 5 scholarship opportunities including the WMP Scholarship. Scholarship recipient Najah Mateen kept us informed and shared her story of success in college to encourage others to both support and apply for a CWSC Scholarship.

- We offered international intern opportunities with AM360 for high school juniors through college with an appreciation for international studies, diplomacy, cultural and military affairs, or international travel and journalism. The pilot program is still underway for seven volunteer interns to produce periodic daily or weekly global news shorts for one of the following geopolitical centers: AM360 Europe / AM360 Africa / AM360 Asia Pacific / AM360 South Asia / AM360 Latin America / AM360 Middle East / AM360 North America (Mexico / Canada).

- As a non-governmental organization in collaboration with the faith-based consortium, Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, the CWSC attended the 2016 [Special Session on Global Drug Policy Reform](#). Our National Think Tank published our first [International Resolution](#) on global drug policy and criminal justice reform. The CWSC delegation also participated in a related community session at the historic Abyssinia Baptist Church. Several [Institutions](#) endorsed the Resolution; the GRAIL republished excerpts internationally; and proscriptions in the Resolution are being championed inside and outside the medical industry, by leading experts seeking to get ahead of

the nation's growing opioid epidemic. Stay tuned for our United Nations visit in 2017 for the presentation of our next international publication.

■ The Scholarship Committee expanded with the membership of Dr. W. Marcus Lambert of Weill Cornell Medicine, New York City College of Technology. Dean Lambert, a STEM professional and diversity expert, brings the intelligentsia model full circle as a senior CWSC advisor and graduate of Mohammed Schools, Atlanta.

■ We expanded our radio reading program beyond daily Ramadan reading, to year-round reading-on-demand, to help vision challenged persons. Hajja Nuura Muhammad, a grateful listener, generously recorded a PSA to help share our reading service. In 2017, we're incorporating evening and morning Qur'an reading with on-air group reflection and discussion, so be sure to join us at AM360.

■ We were blessed to give direct or indirect financial support to 7 non-profit institutions in education, cultural preservation, community outreach and women's support services, including an institution that suffered a horrific and violent criminal extremist attack.

■ Serving as a national virtual town square, we supported nearly 70 institutions, communities and events through special featured broadcasts with newsmakers, and civic and community leaders inside and outside the American Muslim community helping others build capacity to do more good.

■ **This year CWSC logged an estimated 11,600 volunteer hours¹** and we thank Allah (SWT) for every minute devoted for His sake out of love for our community. Our volunteers are the biggest reason we're able to accomplish so much; they in fact donated more than \$280,000 in volunteer labor—that's the power of the group intellect! As we continue to expand operations and more organizations learn about the MCNRD and its free consulting network, we expect the aggregate total of volunteer hours to increase significantly.

Thank you for helping us continue making history. You've opened a pathway for us to help you and

others realize their model community visions across the country, for there is not a single model community vision. Rather, there are many visions inside a group intellect with a single mission...to help remake the world. If you're an organization, we invite you to expand your human resources. Register your institution and plug into a national group intellect.

To our volunteers, donors, listeners, advisors and other supporters, thank you again and again for contributing to and supporting the mission with your time, intellect, prayers, and financial resources. For prospective volunteers, you too have an opportunity to make history. [Volunteer](#) in your passion or interest on a self-directed schedule, along with other like-minded believers. Meet new friends, learn new skills, and let your intellect take our community to new heights. The best is yet to come...blessed 2017!

As-Salaam-Alaikum (Peace be with you).

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CWSC is zakat eligible, earning the Exchange Gold participation rating from GuideStar.org for our commitment to data transparency.

¹About 63 million Americans, or 20% of the adult population, gave 8 billion hours of volunteer service worth \$193 billion in 2016 according to the Corporation for National and Community Service. The current national average volunteer value multiplier is \$24.14 (independentsector.org). See www.volunteeringinamerica.gov.

What the Believers are saying:

“This is a noble effort and has my full support.”—**Dr. Zakiyyah Muhammad, Anaheim, CA**

“Our Community needs this!”—**Malik Saafir, Atlanta, GA**

“I’ll work day and night to help our community realize this vision!”—**Mukhtar Muhammad, Jacksonville, FL**

“...I really feel AM360 will be the one to heal the racial tension and division that still exist in this country which I have to say, most of my Caucasian counterparts and friends do not know or understand because we have been raised under the slave master mentality just as much as you have...”

—**Debbie Shankman, Silver Springs, MD**

“We all have a right...no a duty to contribute our best to help our entire community. CWSC’s got it right!”
—**Imam Rashad Shahid, Jacksonville, FL**

“A powerful idea whose time has definitely come.”—**Ronald Abdul Malik, Columbia, SC**

“We have our abilities and resources and faith in G-d to remake the world..now we just need faith in one another.”
—**Thomas Abdul Salaam, Stockton, CA (R)**

“...Serious need for this, pray that everyone responds.”—**Imam Hatim Hamidullah, FL**

“Delighted to see energy towards understanding the needs of the community and ideally responding to the need for Islamic ethics...”—**Coral Qadar, NY**

“...Critical need to be of greater service to our community by using the talents that Allah has Blessed us with. Our community has talent beyond our imagination.”—**Fleming J. A. El-Amin, NC**

“This is a very important event and opportunity to help strengthen this vital media arm of ours.”
—**Mustafa Mujahid, GA**

“...This is what our Imam needed and definitely what we need. Don’t let nobody turn us around. Praise be to Allah (SWT).” —**Taheerah Muhammad, GA**

“Alhamdulillah!”—**Rashid Maalik, PA**

“THERE IS NOTHING MORE PRECIOUS THAN TO BE “READY” when OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS ITSELF.”When ALLAH chooses to BLESS a people HE GRANTS them WISDOM...” WISDOM is making the most EFFECTIVE use of KNOWLEDGE. We have used our knowledge for the building and maintenance of a society that has oppressed us. Let us now USE our knowledge to benefit all HUMANITY.” —**Agin Muhammad, Sr., IL**

“We are Blessed to be alive and well at this time Mashallah to be a part of this National Think Tank.!!!
We will PASS IT ON.”—**Imam Muhammad Abdullah, GA**

“Without the painstaking details of connecting with like minds, building bridges, confronting barriers, and making alliances across the country, we’ll remain in the minor leagues. Muslim American 360’s call for wider participation under the planning umbrella raises hope because...”—**Mu Octavis Taalib, GA**

