

American Muslims Condemn Terrorism

There has been a rash of terror attacks most recently in Paris and San Bernardino. Several of these attacks have been carried out by people acting seemingly in the name of our faith, Islam.

As American Muslims we condemn these attacks. The killing of innocent people is abhorrent, barbaric and an affront to our faith. No cause justifies violence and terrorism against innocent civilians.

We strongly condemn ISIS and all of their claims. Most importantly, we completely reject their assertion that they are carrying out a holy war sanctioned by our holy book, the Quran. Despite claiming to act in the name of our faith, they do not represent us, nor do they speak for us. These terrorists do not represent the views of the overwhelming majority of the 1.6 billion Muslims worldwide, more than a fifth of the world's population.

We grieve for our fellow Americans whose lives have been taken away prematurely by the terrorists and we stand in solidarity with their loved ones as they mourn their loss. A fund has been set up for the victims of the San Bernardino tragedy by Mayor Carey Davis of San Bernardino. Please join us in donating generously to the fund:

<https://www.gofundme.com/SUPPORTSB>

American Muslims are part of the fabric of this country. We contribute to our society in a variety of ways as accountants, architects, doctors, economists, engineers, entrepreneurs, lawyers, nurses, students and teachers. We run businesses and we serve in the armed forces, the National Guard and the police. We are your neighbors, coworkers and friends in this great land of ours. We cherish the freedoms and liberties that are enshrined in the US Constitution and the Bill of Rights. We dearly love our country and do everything in our power to make it strong and keep it safe.

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