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MEMBER SOCIETIES

Over 100

All Islamic Societies in Australia
All Mosques & Islamic Centres

All Imams in Australia State Islamic Councils

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Islam,

Assalaamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh

In the wake of the tragic bush fires and subsequent loss of life and hundred's of homeless families, AFIC appeals to all Imams during this Friday's khutba to make an appeal to raise funds for the victims of the Victorian Bushfire Fire.

As Muslims it is our duty and obligation to show compassion in such circumstances. Let us put the teachings of Islam into practice and demonstrate this spirit of caring for our neighbors and fellow human beings as best we can. Let us open our hearts to our fellow Australians who have lost everything including even some losing their loved ones.

As Australian Muslims we should consider joining the various volunteer emergency services such as the State Emergency Services and the ACT Muslim Advisory Council has certainly pushed for this amongst the Muslims of this region.

Muslims are known for their generosity and it is during times like these that we have to come to the fore and a sizeable donation collected through the mosques this Jumah and our Islamic Schools and by direct transfer into the below account will demonstrate that Australian Muslims are caring citizens who share the grief of disasters affecting our fellow Australians. AFIC has started this Muslim disaster relief effort with a donation of \$9,000 today.

Please mark your donations: **FIRE RELIEF**. Donations can be made to:

AFIC Humanitarian and refugee Account

Westpac Bank BSB# 032 010 A/C # 218 472

Let us pray to Allah SWT for His Mercy and Protection for all humanity.

Wassalaam,

Yours brother in Islam

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President.