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## Vision for IFN Leadership

I aspire to being an influential member of an IFN EC that represents the whole of our diverse community, an EC that listens and reacts to the needs of the members it serves, an EC that strives to bring the community together and invests heavily in its youth, an EC that finds no honor or privilege in such role but rather a reason for humbleness, sincerity, and need for guidance and support from Allah (SWT).

I envision an EC that has a core mission of ensuring IFN remains a place for unity, education, brotherhood/sisterhood, social and spiritual security; a unique model to follow for other Islamic organizations; and a minaret for preparing the next generation of youth to become exemplary Muslims in the Western world.

## Why Me?

- Raised and founded in the principles of Quran and Sunna
- Honest, upfront, respectful, goal-oriented, collaborator, unifier
- Father of three young Muslims with deep understanding of challenges of raising Muslim youth in USA
- Educator and researcher with a Doctorate degree and several years of experience in college level pharmacy teaching and Corporate R&D
- Active member of the community since 2014; volunteer work include: active member of the IFN COVID-19 taskforce, active member of the IFN safety and security committee, organizer for the IFN Eid picnic in 2019 for more than 200 community members

## My Goals for EC Vice President Role

Youth and education programming	Religious and non-religious programs	Physical and digital security	Partnership with other Islamic organizations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identify gaps and assess the need for new and improved youth programs</li> <li>- Leverage the diverse skillset and experiences across our community for continued youth development</li> <li>- Involve youth in leadership activities and youth-led programs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Empower Religious Committee to evaluate current structure and content of religious programs</li> <li>- Align the design and content of religious programs to evolving community needs and contemporary issues</li> <li>- Create channels for gathering feedback and suggestions for community programs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continue to improve IFN security infrastructure using physical and digital technologies</li> <li>- Work closely with local law enforcement to ensure necessary safety measures are in place during key events and large gatherings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Enhance spiritual and social support across organizations</li> <li>- Share learnings and experiences across organizations</li> <li>- Seek opportunities for shared educational and religious programs</li> </ul>

### One Unified Community

- Create a culture where community members view their diversity and differences in opinion as a source of strength rather than reason for division (e.g. focus groups to identify and address gaps, increased channels of cross-communication among community members)