

## Jaffari Islamic Youth

There are various committees under the ISIJ of Toronto, of which is the Jaffari Islamic Youth (JIY) committee. This committee consists of ten dedicated youth members, who serve the community through planning and hosting events for the community, specifically targeting the youths. As a result, youths have the opportunity to connect with each-other as well as be encouraged to serve the community in some way.

In order to become a JIY committee member, one must be a member in good standing, who has paid their annual membership fee (which is \$50 if he/she is committed to 40 hours of community service). To be integrated into a community is beneficial to a person, such that they may have a sense of belonging in their life. The membership form may be found here:

To add to the various benefits to becoming a member of the ISIJ of Toronto---and more specifically the JIY committee---here is a list of additional benefits:

1. Youths have the opportunity to voice their opinions.
2. Any type of positive change can be brought into the community.
3. Communication and networking skills can be developed.
4. Overall leadership skills and qualities can be attained.

The JIY committee fulfills its duties and takes the above benefits to its optimal value by hosting educational, religious, networking, and sport-related events in light to bring the youth of the community together.

Other ways to volunteer for the ISIJ of Toronto include becoming a general volunteer. This would encompass duties such as serving food, tea, and assisting in cleanup. Interest in this can be expressed to the Jaffari Volunteer Corps (JVC) for men, and the Kaniz e Fatima Volunteers contact, Sr. Zahra Jessa, for women.

The ISIJ of Toronto has also been blessed with the presence of a few Madressahs in the GTA. At the Jaffari Community Centre (JCC), there are two Madressahs that run on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the school year. The Al-QaAim Madressah on Saturdays has opportunities for volunteers to teach language, Diniyat, and Quran related courses. Similarly, on Sundays, the Al-Haadi Madressah has opportunities for volunteers to teach Diniyat and Quran related courses. For more information, the respective principals of each Madressah may be contacted.