

دربی موثق عند إسلامك سنتر

DERBY MOSQUE AND ISLAMIC CENTER

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Urgent Appeal for Derby Masjid in Kimberley, Western Australia Dear Respected Community Members,

Background: Derby is a regional town in Western Australia's Kimberley region. Unfortunately, there is no mosque or masjid in Derby or the entire 423,517 square kilometre Kimberly region. Since 1960, a substantial number of native Muslims have resided here. In the absence of a place of worship, Muslims begin to degenerate, become religiously indifferent, and even convert to other faiths. However, although the descendants have Muslim names, they do not practise Islam. A place of worship (Masjid) is absolutely essential for their revival.

The Need: For many years, Muslims from different places like Singapore, Java, Timor, Kupang, Sulawesi, and other parts of Indonesia have been living in Western Australia. They first came as workers in the pearl industry in the 1860s and settled in the Kimberley region. As time passed, they married Indigenous women from the area, creating a special mix of Indigenous and Malay Muslim culture.

Despite this long history, not having a proper place to worship has caused problems. Many Muslims in Derby have lost their connection to Islam because there isn't a mosque. Even though they still have Muslim names, they don't practice the religion anymore.

Our Initiative: To revive the Indigenous-Muslim community's spiritual life, we have embarked on a crucial project: the construction of a mosque in Derby. Here are the key steps we've taken:

- 1. **Association Establishment**: We've registered an association, set up a website, opened a bank account, and created a PayPal account.
- 2. **Shire/Council Clearance**: We've obtained Development approval from the Shire/Council for our mosque project.
- 3. **Build the Mosque**: We are in the process of getting the building permit to start construction work.

Immediate Action Needed: The first phase of our mosque project has successfully completed Alhamdulillah; We've bought the land and obtained approval from the Derby Council for our Development Application. Currently, we're moving forward with construction. However, we cannot complete this project alone. We urgently need your support.



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How You Can Help: Muslims from all over Australia and abroad are invited to contribute to the Derby Mosque project. Your generous donations will make a significant impact to reach the target of \$650,000. Here are the ways you can contribute:

1. Bank Transfer:

o **Bank**: ANZ Bank

Account Name: Derby Mosque and Islamic Centre inc.

o **BSB**: 016620

Account Number: 6448-57077

2. **Pay ID**: 0480 379 400

3. PayPal Account: info@dmic.org.au

Every dollar count, and together, we can create a place of worship that will serve generations to come. Let us unite in this noble cause and ensure that the Derby Muslim community has a mosque—a spiritual sanctuary where hearts find peace and souls connect with Allah.

May your contribution be accepted by Allah SWT in this noble project, and may this effort reinforce our faith (Iman) and the bonds within our community.

For inquiries or further information, please contact us at info@dmic.org.au or derbymasjid@gmail.com

Jazak Allah Khair

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