

Scottish Islamic Foundation:

SIF is a community membership based group and managed by volunteers. SIF aims at promoting community cohesion and active citizenship and our key objective are to:

- Highlight and advance Muslim contribution to Scotland by supporting the practice of Islam as a tool that deepens active citizenship
- Empower young Muslims in their contribution to Scotland
- Promote harmony and dialogue between Muslim and non-Muslim communities in Scotland
- Develop links and engagement between Scotland and the Muslim world
- Advocate justice and human rights in Scotland and across the world
- Develop partnerships with various stakeholders raising awareness of their understanding of Islam and promote cohesion among community groups.
- Provide advice and support stakeholders including government and public bodies into establishing and building bridges with the Muslim community in Scotland both locally and nationally.

Our main activities include (not conclusive):

- Organising educational events for Muslim youth in Scotland raising their awareness about active citizenship and Scottishness.
- Work in partnership with various groups promoting community cohesion and social justice.
- Organise residential training programs for Muslim youth motivating their active participation in Scottish life, political and economic life. Delivering capacity building training and awareness raising discussion seminars.
- Lead on and initiate on research, consultation and lobbying in support of community cohesion and addressing the needs of the Muslim community in Scotland.

We provide support to the following beneficiaries:

- The wider Muslim community in Scotland including older Muslim, women and youth from this community especially those excluded
- Under-represented Youth Muslim groups
- Wider Stakeholders including public bodies, voluntary sector, and government departments.
- The wider Scottish community both local and national
- All equality strands groups

SIF is committed to the process of promoting harmony and dialogue between Muslim and non Muslim communities in Scotland promoting community cohesion and social justice among the diverse multicultural community and faith groups.

The Scottish Islamic Foundation works as an agent of change, bringing Muslims and non Muslims closer together by facilitating knowledge, understanding, and respect .

The Scottish Islamic Foundation has been delivering its activities as an unincorporated group and depending on volunteering. However, as part of our organisational development plans, the organisation is in the process applying for charitable status in May with a view to receiving charitable status.

The government initiating support will be essential for us in our endeavour, and will enable us to achieve the above in amore positive and practical way.

Request for support From the Scottish Government

SIF: Support Requirement:

In support of SIF's operational and initiation process, it will prove vital for us that the Scottish Government support us with the following as part of building our capacity:

1. Notebooks Quantity 2 - Dell Dell Precision™ M6300 + Customization £ 869.00 x 2 =	£1738
2. Office computers: XPS™ 720 X 3 £1,099 X3=	£3297
3. Multi - Media (Dell Computers) Projector Dell Projector 2400MP	£637.00
Screen (NOBO Portable Screen Floor standing - Projection screen - 59 in - 4:3 (Training purposes)	£269
Lamps Dell (Replacement Bulb for Dell 2400MP Projector)	£199
4. Office Desks/ filing cabinets/ general furniture	£2500
Sub Total:	£8640
Vat	£1512
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The following do not incur Vat	
5. Admin and office costs (relocation/ IT Set Up/ Networking	£3800
6. Volunteers costs	£400
7. policy dev. & management committee training 4days @ £350 each	£1400
Grand Total	£10152+£5600= £15752

We do value the support of the Scottish government in enabling us to acquire the equipment mentioned as part of the organization capacity building and we are committed to work in coordination with the Equality unit in meeting their objectives.