



Our mission is to provide cultural services to the Iranian-Canadian Shia Muslim community of Ottawa, while respecting Canadian values & protecting our financial & organizational independence, through:

- ✓ Religious rituals and ceremonies;
- ✓ Persian language and traditions;
- ✓ Healthy & humane social gathering;
- ✓ Cultural heritage to our 2nd-generation.

History

The Imam Hossein Cultural Centre of Ottawa (IHCCO) was registered in the province of Ontario as a charitable not-for-profit organization in November 2015 in order to meet the growing cultural needs of the Iranian-Canadian Shia Muslim population of Ottawa in an organized and coherent manner.

IHCCO originally started from 2007 by the Muslim students of the community, occasionally holding religious programs to commemorate the teachings of Prophet Mohammad (pbuh) and his family, especially the cultural heritage of Imam Hossein (pbuh).

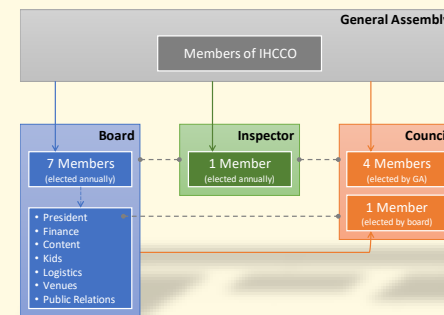


From the beginning, the IHCCO has been completely independent of any domestic or foreign government and organization. Rather it has functioned solely with the financial and voluntary participation of Iranians living in Ottawa.

With God's blessings, the policy of the IHCCO is to avoid religious extremism and political affairs, and instead promote religious & cultural tolerance.

Structure

The general assembly consists of Iranians of Ottawa who participate in the annual meeting held in April, and elect the board of directors, council of trustees, and the inspector. The activities of the IHCCO are organized and held by 5 board members with the assistance of executive teams; while the inspector and 5 council members monitor and support the activities. All these individuals volunteer their time and service.



Financial Resources

100% of the IHCCO's budget are provided by the generous contributions of the Iranian community of Ottawa. Accordingly, the only financial sources of the IHCCO are as followed:

- ❖ Donations, especially during Muharram;
- ❖ Continuous monthly contributions;
- ❖ Ticket sales for some events;
- ❖ Educational courses and workshops;
- ❖ Annual membership fee.

Humanitarian Activities

The IHCCO promotes philanthropic activities through practical measures such as environmental cleanup (in the form of waste collection, plastic and compost recycling), and refugee assistance on the sidelines of its events with the help of the Persian community and in order to protect the mother nature and respect human dignity.



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Religious Activities

The IHCCO organizes congregational prayers and events where community members benefit from the spiritual peaceful atmosphere.

Also, various celebrations, mourning ceremonies, and lectures are held according to the Islamic calendar which include programs of martyrdom and birth of Prophet Mohammad (pbuh). In all the programs, educational and entertainment content is also provided for children.



Cultural Services

The Cultural Store (offering unique cultural products), religious marriage, kids' books, and zakat Fitrah are among the IHCCO's services.

Literary and Artistic Activities

The IHCCO organizes movie shows, game nights, theater and live music performances, and book reading club for adults and children.

Traditional Activities

Celebrating Nowruz (Iranian new year) and Yalda (winter solstice) every year are among IHCCO's activities that include Nowruz festival, "Uncle Nowruz" and "Haji Firuz" performance, also storytelling with "Granny Cold" for children.

The Persian language bridges Iranian-Canadians to Persian cultural heritage through the works of famous poets such as Rumi, Hafez and Saadi. The IHCCO aims to preserve this beautiful language by passing it to the second-generation immigrants, through organizing traditional holidays and programs in the Persian language.



Social Activities

The IHCCO also organizes a variety of social events including barbecues, strawberry picking, visit to historic and natural museums, informative workshops, recreational gatherings, and the social networking groups to connect Iranians living in Ottawa, providing each other with support.

