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#### A Message From MAC President Dr. Muhammad Babar

Dear Friends and Supporters,

The recent circumstances surrounding the deaths of Ahmaud Arbery, George Floyd and Breonna Taylor reminds us of the depth of systemic racism and oppression that still exists in our society. Our nation can not move forward unless the root causes of centuries-old human indignity and humiliation are addressed. We, as citizens of goodwill, need to strive for criminal justice and police reform that is unfairly targeting people of color.

It is our moral and human duty to stand with the families of Ahmaud, George and Breonna to ensure that justice is served and no other person of color is subjugated to a similar fate. Today, tomorrow and forever, we stand shoulder to shoulder with our African American brothers and sisters in their quest for fairness and equity as there will be no peace without justice.

Please use your voice for good. Join us in working towards a brighter future with peaceful protest and unity towards a common goal. Together, we can change out city and the world for the better.

Peace and Blessings, Muhammad Babar MD, MBA, MSc

#### Interfaith Iftar Dinner Thrives in a Virtual Space

For 10 years, Interfaith Paths to Peace and Muslim Americans for Compassion have hosted an annual Interfaith Iftar Dinner for citizens of all backgrounds to break bread together and learn more about the holy month of Ramadan. These events have blossomed over the decade as community leaders and families from across the state have joined in the celebration.

As the COVID-19 Pandemic has changed so much about our lives over the past few months, so did it change this year's Iftar celebration.



There was no possibility of bringing hundreds of people together in a single space this year, at least not physically. Instead, the dinner was celebrated with families and loved ones in a digital space. For the first time ever, dozens of households used the Zoom video conferencing application to share this special evening with friends new and old.

Read the whole article here!

### MAC Wishes You a Safe and Happy Eid-ul-Fitr

This year, due to Covid-19 pandemic, Eid celebrations were different due to being at home and physical distancing. But, it gives us an opportunity to spend more time with our immediate family and reflect on the purpose of our creation. Let us work together as one humanity to be closer to each other spiritually through service and compassion for all.

Muslim Americans for Compassion thanks first responders, essential workers, healthcare staff and all those who have been on the front lines during this pandemic.





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# MAC and APPNA Deliver Lunches to Louisville Metro Police Department

MAC is honored to work with APPNA to provide lunch to first responders. Dr. Babar and Dr. Saleem met with LMPD Sergeant John Bradley to deliver 100 gift cards for the department.

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# MAC and Doctors for Healthy Communities Share Archive of Community Service

The last few weeks have come and gone so quickly, that sometimes it becomes difficult to pause and recognize the work being done. Muslim Americans for Compassion, in partnership with Doctors for Healthy Communities, has been a leading voice for equal rights and for safety in the time of COVID-19.

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