



# PHASE 3 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE NEWSLETTER

## *Moving Forward with the Plan*

### NOOR-UL-IMAN SCHOOL

Dear NUI Families and Friends,

Assalam'Alaikum & Ramadan Kareem.

The NUI Board of Directors intends to provide parents and friends with periodic updates on the status of the construction of Phase 3, which is an integral part of the School Building.



### Why Phase 3?

Currently there are no Gymnasium, Cafeteria, and Kitchen facilities for over 600 students at NUI School. To better serve our students, the NUI Board is committed to the construction of the Gymnasium, Cafeteria, and Kitchen portion of the **approved** Phase 3 plan, and is making every effort to start the construction as soon as possible.

The new Gymnasium will provide an indoor play area with a regulation size high school basketball court which will be attached to the main School building providing greater access and security for the students.

NUI will be eager to share these facilities with the greater IS CJ community including Weekend School.



The Cafeteria and Kitchen will be serving lunch to more than 600 students and staff. The Gymnasium, Cafeteria, and Kitchen portion of the approved Phase 3 will be constructed in stages to make sure that sufficient funding is in place prior to proceeding to the next stage.



Construction of an Auditorium is not planned at this time, as the proposed Gymnasium and Cafeteria (dining area) could be utilized for off-hours activities, competitions and community social events.

The NUI Board is evaluating the option of replacing the Auditorium with additional Section 3 classrooms at a future date. The BOD will actively seek stakeholders' feedback on Section 3 classrooms via several venues including surveys, focus-group discussions & town halls.

## **FUNDING**

The construction cost for the Gymnasium, Cafeteria, and Kitchen portion of the approved Phase 3 is estimated to be between \$4.5M and \$5.0M. The Phase 3 project Capital Funding plan envisions a number of avenues for fundraising including the following campaigns:

- Capital Fundraising
- Islamic Loan
- Community Construction Donation
- Engagement with large donors
- Operating surplus into Capital Funding as the need arises

## **NEXT STEPS**

To reach the goal of breaking ground as soon as possible, the following steps have been taken or are pending:

1. Phase 3 is **approved** by the Township and the ISCJ General Body as part of the School Building.
2. The NUI Board hired architects and engineers, and the Code Review for the approved Phase 3 design has been updated.
3. The NUI Board has been waiting for the ISCJ Board to grant its approval in order to move forward with the Township application.