CREATING A MORE WELCOMING MOSQUE FOR CONVERTS

ISPU researchers asked American Muslims:

What would a DYNAMIC, INCLUSIVE, and WELCOMING mosque look like?

“A sense of true brotherhood & sisterhood”
“Programming that is relevant & meaningful”
“Caring, supportive, & accessible leadership”
“A place where you feel spiritually & physically safe”

What would this look like for CONVERTS?

1. A Convert-Care Committee
A committee helps facilitate the integration of converts into the community. Converts should be well represented on the committee.

2. A Mentoring Program
A mentor helps support a new convert—sharing meals, doing activities together, and answering questions.

3. Convert Support Groups
Support groups provide a space for discussion of issues that converts might be facing, as well as exploring Islamic knowledge.

4. Access to Educational Material
Educational packets that include basic information about Islam and resources should be made available to every convert.

5. Dedicated Social Events for Converts
Convert programs can present the basics of Islam in a consistent and systematic fashion.

6. Educational Programs
Social events help converts develop friendships in the Muslim community.

7. Convert Family Events
Inviting family members to the mosque helps familiarize them with Islam and the Muslim community.

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