

**Ishmael and Isaac**

(Cleveland, OH)

**General Support****Total Award: \$250,000 over 2 years**

To support Ishmael and Isaac (I&I) in its work to create strong, cooperative relationships between members of the Jewish and Arab American communities in the U.S. (with a particular focus on Palestinian Americans), which can be used to promote peace between the people of Israel and the Palestinian Authority. I&I aims to assist communities on both sides of the Middle East conflict by implementing programs domestically that can impact Palestinian-Israeli relations in the Middle East and by raising funds for projects to meet the needs of Palestinians and Israelis. In its three chapter cities -- Cleveland, Detroit, and New York -- I&I will initiate joint Arab-Jewish programming, convene leadership from I&I chapters to develop and begin implementing shared strategies for bringing American democratic values to the Palestinian Authority, and raise money for projects benefiting Palestinians and Israelis who are victims of the conflict. I&I will pursue its agenda through a series of speaking engagements, educational forums, local relationship building, professional networking, and annual missions to Israel.

**Program Contribution Breakdown:**

**\$150,000** Jewish Life and Values/Contemplative Practice Program: *Goal I, Objective 4*

**\$100,000** Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice: *Objectives I & II*