

— Reconciliation Report —

News and Updates

End of Year Campaign Gratitude

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the IARP community for the generous response to our end of year campaign and Minnesota's 2018 Give to the Max Day.

The IARP team is committed to using our resources and programs to end discrimination, social isolation, and Islamophobia in 2019 and beyond. Your support ensures that our work on behalf of reconciliation can continue through our signature programs such as our women's friendship groups and community potluck to enhance understanding and build inclusive communities.

Thank you!





"Introducing the Iraqi and American Reconciliation Project" Video on YouTube

Please click on the video above to watch our new video, "Introducing the Iraqi and American Reconciliation Project." We are grateful to our partners at Mary's Pence for producing the video as part of a retreat for grantee organizations like IARP in 2018! We encourage our community to share the video with their networks to help introduce IARP to new audiences.



Promoting reconciliation and friendship between the people of the United States & Iraq.

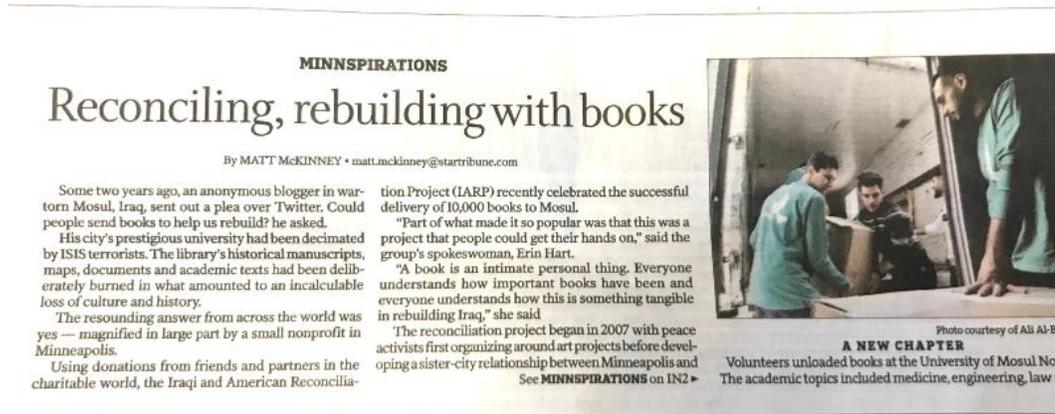
New IARP Website Launched - Now in Arabic!

IARP is delighted to announce the launch of our updated website at reconciliationproject.org!

Thanks to a grant from the Metropolitan Regional Arts Council (MRAC), we were able to work with a professional web developer to streamline IARP's websites into one consolidated website with a new look and feel. **For the first time, our website**

also offers Arabic language functionality for our Arabic-speaking community.

We hope you enjoy this new resource for finding information about upcoming events, current projects, and donation information! ***Also, check out IARP's new Instagram presence (@iarproject) for the latest photos from IARP.***



Books for Mosul Featured in the Star Tribune, local Fox9 News

2018 was a special year for IARP largely because of our incredible Books for Mosul Campaign, which sent a record 10,000 academic books to help restock the University of Mosul library destroyed by ISIS. The IARP community came together on November 17 to celebrate this remarkable project shortly before the holiday season (photos below). The evening included a special video featuring our local volunteers, as well as students and faculty in Mosul who were impacted by the project. **You can see the video [here](#).**

Our Books for Mosul project also garnered prominent media attention in Minnesota during the holiday season:

Fox 9 featured Executive Director Jessica Belt Saem Eldahr in several news broadcasts on November 27 which can be seen [here](#).

The Minneapolis Star Tribune featured IARP's Books for Mosul project in its "Inspired" section on December 15, which can be read [here](#).



Join IARP's Board of Directors in 2019!

Do you feel strongly about the mission and work of IARP? Consider joining our board of directors! Now is an exciting time to join IARP, and we are looking to expand our board by 1-2 members this year.

We are interested in receiving applications from a wide range of community members, and we would welcome applicants with experience or expertise in: fundraising/development, law, Iraq, and arts/arts administration.

We are proud and excited about our community of volunteers and staff and invite you to consider joining our team.

To request an application, please contact jessy@reconciliationproject.org

Welcoming our new Spring Intern

My name is Mathea Pielemeier. I am a junior at Macalester



College studying French and International Studies with a concentration on Community and Global Health. I am originally from Seattle, Washington but I love exploring and living in the Twin Cities during the school year.

I am excited to be working with the Iraqi American Reconciliation Project as a Programs Intern during my spring semester. I look forward to enhancing my understanding of non-profits and gaining insight into Iraqi culture and history through my responsibilities as an intern. I am passionate about human rights and increasing cultural understanding and I am excited to contribute to the IARPs work.

Donate to IARP

Support IARP: We depend on the support of individuals to make our work possible. Please consider [making a donation](#). Donations can also be mailed: 2021 E. Hennepin Ave, Ste 200, Mpls, MN 55413



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