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ABP Student Club Raises Funds for Workers' Eid Gifts

Doha, October 2, 2014 –The Social Services and Volunteering Club, comprised of 100 students from Qatar Foundation's Academic Bridge Program (ABP), has set some very noteworthy goals for the coming year, including fundraising events that will help those in need close to home and around the world.

Last Thursday on the ABP campus, the club hosted an all-day Bake Sale. Club members brought a variety of confections for the event, which included cupcakes, chocolates, cake, bread, and other sweets. They were met happily by students and teachers who seemed to enjoy the quality and variety of the baked goods. Through sales and donations, the students raised over QR 4,000 by the end of the day. These funds were used specifically to help the club prepare Eid gifts for service workers and security personnel employed in the LAS Building.

Yesterday, an assembly was organized by the Student Services Department and the Social Services and Volunteering Club to recognize and reward all 40 of the workers. Ms. Moza Al Boainain, Assistant Director for Student Services assisted Security personnel Bibek Chaudhary made presentations to the 14 members of the security staff, while Cleaning Supervisor Romer Reynoso recognized his 26 workers. Each recipient was awarded a certificate of appreciation as well as QR 100 in cash.

"This is the first time we have held such an event at the ABP," said Ms. Yasmen Abdulla Al-Qadi, who works in the Student Services Department. "I was so happy to be a part of it."

"These people work quietly in the background every day," she added, "but it's good to bring their efforts into the light and recognize all that they do for us."



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“The Bake Sale was very successful,” reported Ms. Moza Al-Boainain, Assistant Director for Student Services and advisor to the club, “but it is only one of the many activities that club members will undertake this year.”

In identifying their major project, the ABP club decided to focus its efforts on helping to raise the QR 181,000 needed to construct a new school in the African nation of Somalia. The new structure will be called the “Peace School”—a name suggested by a member of the ABP family.

The donations gathered by the Social Services and Volunteering Club, along with others given through Qatar Charity, have put the club’s goal well in reach, with just under QR 46,000 needed to complete the Peace School project.

Other planned activities for the Social Services and Volunteering Club include: teaching Arabic for non-native speakers, an initiative that was launched by Qatar Foundation’s Reach Out To Asia (ROTA), giving out bottled water to workers in the streets and visiting sick children in Hamad Hospital during the Eid holiday.

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The [Academic Bridge Program](#) (ABP) is a center of [Qatar Foundation](#). The mission of the ABP is to provide high school graduates of Qatari high schools (and other similar schools) who meet the admission requirements with the academic and personal skills for success in reputable English language universities around the world, with special emphasis on preparing students for the universities at Qatar Foundation. Since the launch of the ABP in 2001, the program has developed a model curriculum including English, math, science, and computer skills, combined with a wide range of other activities such as debate, Model United Nations, robotics, sports teams, and student government experience. The ABP is fully accredited by the Commission on English Language Accreditation (CEA) in the United States. This makes it easier for ABP graduates to fast track into universities in the United States without a university foundation year.