

## **Lajna Dallas worked for Humanity First Chaand Raat Fundraiser**

On October 21<sup>st</sup>, Dallas lajna members worked on and volunteered at a chaand raat fundraiser held by Humanity First. Work on the event began many months in advance and lajna volunteers worked tirelessly to organize the fundraiser. Many made personal donations, collected goods and services from various businesses, made phone calls to potential vendors, decorated the venue, picked up supplies, and sold tickets. 350 tickets were sold and entry was through ticket only. An article was also written by lajna member and sent to local newspapers and was published on [www.neighborsgo.com](http://www.neighborsgo.com) of "Dallas Morning News".

The venue was donated by Holiday Inn Express and the hall was beautifully decorated and set up by volunteers who also worked throughout the day of the event. Some were serving food, some were ensuring cleanliness, others were doing registration, and others were assigned to vendors to ensure all their needs were met. More than 25 lajna members volunteered for the event.

Various local restaurants and caterers donated food items, including delicious desserts. Local salons provided mehndi and threading services, as well as makeovers for women. Many local businesswomen and a few lajna members showcased their beautiful designs and outfits at the event, and several had collections that were exclusive to the chaand raat event. Many donations that were secured from businesses such as hair packages, manicure/pedicure packages, and yoga classes were raffled off in a draw that people could enter for \$1 per entry. There was also a silent auction being carried out that had some amazing items up for grabs like designer outfits, wedding makeup packages, wedding stage setups and two nights Hotel stay in Austin TX.

Alhamdulillah, the event was a huge success and raised funds for Humanity First. Everyone enjoyed the night so much that many have already begun asking about next year's event. The success of the event would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of all the lajna volunteers who worked so hard to ensure it went as smoothly as possible. Please remember them all in your prayers.