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Members of the United Muslim Christian Forum Receive Relief Training with the American Red Cross

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The class began with an introduction of everyone and their purpose for being there. It was well appreciated to find people from all walks of life who share the same humanitarian spirit -nurses, military and emergency workers, and laymen who just felt the need to help, or give back to, the community.

After UMCF member Malika Ahmad shared her experience of being a part of the Muslim social service organization Hand to Hands, as well as volunteering in Texas during Hurricane Katrina, she was given a pin that represented the volunteer work done by the American Red Cross during that same period of time. Pins were also distributed to the other Red Cross Volunteers attending the course.

UMCF is looking forward to working further with the American Red Cross, which has also expressed appreciation for other efforts being promoted by the UMCF chapter in Alaska.

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