

Additional Resources to Explore

Muslim labor organizations in the United States primarily take the form of **worker centers** and **grassroots advocacy groups** rather than traditional trade unions, as American labor laws require unions to represent all faiths under a secular framework. These groups actively empower Muslim and immigrant workers by advocating for fair wages, safe conditions, and religious accommodations.

Prominent organizations leading these efforts across the country include:

- [**Awood Center**](#): Located in Minnesota, this worker center builds power within the East African community. It is well-known for educating and organizing predominantly Somali Muslim workers at Amazon warehouses in Shakopee to demand safer working conditions, better break times, and religious accommodations.
- [**Muslims for Just Futures \(MJF\)**](#): Operating in the D.C./Maryland/Virginia (DMV) area and Chicago, MJF houses the **Muslim Workers Network**, which provides a safe space for working-class Muslims to organize. They focus heavily on economic justice and operate a mutual aid fund for their members.
- [**New York Taxi Workers Alliance \(NYTWA\)**](#): While a secular union representing 21,000 drivers in NYC, a large majority of its members—and co-founders—are Muslim immigrants. The NYTWA has a strong history of fighting for the civil rights of Muslim drivers, including participating in strikes against the Muslim travel ban and organizing specific labor actions for airport drivers.
- [**Muslim Americans in Public Service \(MAPS\)**](#): A professional and advocacy organization that supports Muslim-American public servants. It fosters community, mentorship, and advocacy for Muslim workers operating within government and public sector roles.

Through advocacy, mutual aid, and community education, these organizations ensure working-class Muslims and immigrant workers have a voice in the modern U.S. workforce.