

Law No. (4) of 2008
Establishing the
Dubai Cares Foundation¹

We Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Ruler of Dubai,

Do hereby issue this Law.

Article (1)

This Law will be cited as “Law No. (4) of 2008 Establishing the Dubai Cares Foundation”.

Article (2)

In implementing the provisions of this Law, the following words and expressions will have the meaning indicated opposite each of them unless the context implies otherwise:

Emirate:	The Emirate of Dubai.
DCF:	The Dubai Cares Foundation.
Board of Directors:	The board of directors of the DCF.
Director:	The director of the DCF.

Article (3)

Pursuant to this Law, a non-governmental foundation named the “Dubai Cares Foundation” is established. The DCF will have an independent legal personality and the legal capacity required to undertake all acts and dispositions that ensure the achievement of its objectives. The DCF may enter into contracts with third parties, sue and be sued in its own name, and appoint any person to represent it for this purpose.

Article (4)

The head office of the DCF will be located in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

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¹Every effort has been made to produce an accurate and complete English version of this legislation. However, for the purpose of its interpretation and application, reference must be made to the original Arabic text. In case of conflict, the Arabic text will prevail.

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Article (5)

By collecting funds and donations within and outside of the Emirate, the DCF will endeavour to achieve the following objectives:

1. to provide aid for the needy worldwide;
2. to support volunteer social work within and outside of the Emirate;
3. to fund and support sustainable human development efforts;
4. to support and empower civil society within and outside of the Emirate in order to achieve human development goals;
5. to assist and empower civil societies worldwide, in particular women and children, by entering into local and international partnerships; and
6. to support worldwide efforts to combat poverty and to protect and enhance human dignity.

Article (6)

The DCF will have a Board of Directors composed of a chairman and at least five (5) members, including the chairman, who are appointed pursuant to a decree of the Ruler. The DCF will be managed by a Director appointed by the chairman of the Board of Directors.

Article (7)

The DCF may establish branches in any country around the world in order to communicate its mission and goals to higher levels through its activities and direct meetings and communications with various corporations and other organisations.

Article (8)

The Board of Directors will develop the internal bylaws of the DCF.

Article (9)

The financial resources of the DCF will consist of:

1. gifts, donations, and contributions received by the DCF and accepted by the Board of Directors; and
2. returns on the investments of the DCF.

Article (10)

The DCF will have an administrative and technical body comprising a number of employees and administrators.

Article (11)

The Director will prepare the annual budget and regulate the accounts and records of the DCF. Such budget, accounts, and records will be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval.

Article (12)

This Law will be published in the Official Gazette and will come into force on the day on which it is published.

Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Ruler of Dubai

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