

HELP MEET URGENT REFUGEE EMERGENCY NEEDS IN 2016!!

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is requested to resettle 8% of ALL refugees who enter thru Church World Service offices, and Disciples have assisted in resettling more than 40,000 refugees through Church World Service since the end of World War II. To do that, we partner with our 34 CWS refugee affiliate offices all around the U.S. (See map below & online)—and Disciples have especially worked recently with refugees cultures from Iraq, Burma, Afghanistan, Somalia, Bhutan, Syria, and the Congo.

Due to multiple refugee crises in the world, we anticipate increasing refugee arrivals throughout 2016.

CAN YOUR CHURCH HELP MEET THESE EMERGENCY REFUGEE NEEDS?:

1) ALL CHURCHES are invited to participate as regions, congregations, youth or other groups to compile

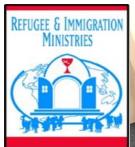


See below & <u>online</u> for more info., and contact our office at <u>sstanley@dhm.disciples.org</u> or <u>202-957-7826</u> so we can assist in working out where and how to deliver them to meet your closest refugee needs!

2) **CHURCHES WITHIN 50 MILES OF ANY PARTNER CWS OFFICE** (see map below) are urged to:



"Pick 3 for Refugees" to serve as a Welcoming Team for newly arriving refugee families! See the flyer below for Welcoming Team roles, and contact our office at sstanley@dhm.disciples.org or 202-957-7826 so we can support your efforts to link with nearby refugees!









Join in a Mission Project as Disciples Churches!

WHAT?:

REFUGEE EMERGENCY HOSPITALITY KITS COLLECTION

Disciples resettle 8% of ALL refugees who enter thru Church World Service each year--and have helped more than 40,000 refugees since the end of World War II.

To do that, we partner with the 34 CWS refugee affiliate offices around the U.S.!

WHY?:

Multiple refugee crises in the world mean we anticipate more arrivals throughout 2016.

WHERE?:

ALL OF OUR 34 PARTNER CWS REFUGEE OFFICES NEED REFUGEE HOSPITALITY KITS throughout the year to help welcome entering families!!

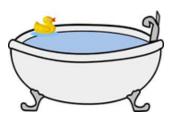
> CAN YOU GATHER THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW?

Contact Rev. Sharon Stanley-Rea, Director of Disciples Refugee & Immigration Ministries, at 202-957-7826 or sstanley@dhm.disciples.org if you can help, and to arrange for delivery!!

BEDDING KITS



BATH KITS



SCHOOL KITS



- 2 pillows
- 2 pillow cases
- I queen (other) sheet set
- I quilt/bedspread

- 2 bath towels
- 2 hand towels
- 2 wash cloths
- 6 bars soap
- 2 toothbrushes & toothpaste

- I backpack, 2 notebooks
- 100 sheets paper
- 2 bottles glue
- 2 packages crayons
- 2 pair scissors
- 4 pencils, 4 pens

(Note: School kit items should be new. Bedding & bath towels may be gently used. Items above are appreciated as a part of suggested "kits" OR in bulk quantities.)

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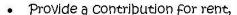
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Welcoming Refugees Through Ecumenical Partnership

A new style of sponsorship is here!! Churches are now asked to consider helping with AT LEAST THREE of the following types of welcoming activities to "sponsor" a refugee family. It's YOUR CHOICE HOW to engage—but DISCIPLES ARE NEEDED AROUND THE U.S. to help resettle over 1,000 refugees annually who enter through our 34 Church World Service partner offices and are assigned to Disciples for sponsorship!



· Set up an apartment for a new refugee or family,







- Gather furniture and household items,
- Stock the pantry with culturally appropriate groceries,





Meet refugee/s at the airport,

Provide a welcoming meal,



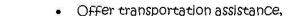


Accompany the refugee/s to a medical appointment,



- · Teach basic English or financial literacy education,
- JOB INTERVIEW
- Assist refugees to prepare for a job







Creatively "tour" the refugees around your neighborhood.

There are more refugees in the world now than SINCE World War II.

Please contact Rev. Dr. Sharon Stanley-Rea, Refugee & Immigration Ministries Director, at sstanley@dhm.disciples.org or 202-957-7826 for more information about refugee engagement options in your area! To download the "Co-Sponsorship" form go to www.discipleshomemissions.org/ Community-Group-Commitment-form-CWS-EMM-LIRS-FY15.pdf.



As Disciples, our national Refugee & Immigration Ministries office is located in National City Christian Church in Washington, D.C.

We partner with Church World Service refugee affiliate offices in 34 locations around the U.S. for refugee resettlement.

See which offices are closest to YOU:



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