

REFUGEE AID

Refugee Aid is a volunteer group of concerned people who assist refugee families seeking asylum in the United States. We are disturbed by the mistreatment of refugee families - desperate people who have taken the initiative to seek a better life for themselves and their children. We are particularly focused on the welfare of refugee children. We believe all people deserve to be treated humanely.

The refugee families we serve have permission from our federal Government to remain in the U.S. with their sponsors while their asylum case makes its way through immigration court. The sponsors provide refugees with air or bus tickets to cities across the U.S. Many families will travel for days with little or no food or money.

We are organizing volunteers into teams to meet the diverse needs. Volunteers can join multiple teams:

- Team 1 Host refugee families (generally for one night)
- Team 2 Provide transportation for refugee families to airports and bus stations
- Team 3 Prepare meals for large groups of refugee families (100-180 people) and take to participating churches
- Team 4 Welcome refugees upon arrival at churches, assist with distributing clothing and other supplies, or help serve meals
- Team 5 Assemble travel kits with snacks, medication, juice boxes, baby needs and other travel supplies
- Team 6 Donate children's and small-to-medium adult size clothing, shoes, outerwear, new underwear, socks and bras, blankets and cold weather items.
- Team 7 Community outreach to offices, churches, organizations, schools, etc., to educate, raise awareness and seek assistance to address the plight of the refugee families

(please reply by email to maryjoandken@icloud.com and identify teams on which you can serve)



Join our next meeting on

January 13, 2019 from 2-4 p.m.

Heritage East Clubhouse
(across the street from 6023 E. Lewis St.)
Scottsdale, AZ 85257

Selene Kressler will be describing how to be approved to visit refugees in detention at Eloy and Florence and/or send them cards and gifts.

NOTICE: If you want to make travel food packs, come one hour early (1 p.m.) with your food supplies (see list below) and one gallon plastic zip lock bags. Little note cards might be nice to slip in the bags.

Travel Food Donations

Family food items needed include:

- Tangerines
- Cheese crackers
- Soft granola bars
- Apple sauce kids squeezes
- Water bottles
- Vienna sausages: small can
- Brunswick tuna salad with crackers
- Bumble Bee chicken salad snack with crackers
- Ritz crackers with peanut butter: 6 crackers in pack
- Austin cheese crackers: 6 crackers in pack
- Trail mix: small bag
- Quaker chocolate soft chew bar
- Fruit cup: individual size
- Snack size and gallon size Zip Lock bags

Donate now to our Go Fund Me site at this link

<http://gofundme.com/az-refugee-aid>

Your contribution can make a huge difference in someone's life.