How You Can Help Syrian Refugees

Contact Your Local Resettlement Agency to Volunteer and Support Resettled Syrian Refugees

• If you're interested in supporting a resettled Syrian refugee family, please see how you can help by <u>contacting your local resettlement agency</u>. There is no way to host a refugee family in your home but many ways to assist and show your support.

Donate Money to Organizations Working with Syrian Refugees

• The Center for International Disaster Information has many organizations listed here.

Urge the U.S. to Admit More Syrians

• Call the White House at <u>202-456-1111</u> and say: "The U.S. must show leadership in responding to the global refugee crisis, including in Syria. I urge President Obama to increase refugee resettlement from 70,000 to 100,000 this coming year, as well as an additional 100,000 Syrian refugees."

Urge Congress to support resettlement

- Ask your Senators and Representatives to urge the administration to show leadership in response to the global refugee crisis by increasing resettlement numbers to 100,000 and an additional 100,000 Syrian refugees
- Urge your Representatives to co-sponsor H.R. 1568, The Protecting Religious Minorities Persecuted by ISIS Act.
- Meet with your Senators and Representatives in their home offices Sept 21-25, Oct 12-16, Nov 9-13 & beyond
- Call your Members of Congress: 202-224-3121

Use the <u>**RCUSA Local Congressional Visit Toolkit</u></u> to help you with your advocacy!</u>**

Have your voice heard!

- Write an Opinion Editorial or Letter to the Editor of your local paper about the need to welcome more Syrian refugees.
 - See Welcoming America's <u>Reframing Refugees Messaging Toolkit</u> for messaging tips, templates for a letter to the editor, links to other messaging resources.
- Utilize social media to educate people about your community's support for resettlement use the hashtag #WelcomeWorld
- **Host events** in your community to educate people about the crisis in Syria, the need for U.S. leadership, and how the resettlement program works.

Share stories & photos of welcome!

• Share stories and photos of your community extending welcome to Syrian refugees on social media and through the MoveOn campaign: <u>http://front.moveon.org/pres-obama-americawelcomes-syrian-refugees/#.VfmKgdJViko</u>.

Follow RCUSA on Social Media to learn about new opportunities

- <u>RCUSA Twitter</u>
- <u>RCUSA Facebook</u>

Participate in the <u>White House Campaign #AidRefugees</u>