

# Lane County Refugee Resettlement Program

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

In the near future, various Lane County organizations under the auspices of Catholic Community Services of Lane County will be working with the Department of State's Reception and Placement Program to provide assistance for refugees to settle in our community. The goals of the Reception and Placement Programs are to ensure that newly arrived refugees are placed in a safe, stable environment and are provided with the support needed to successfully relocate. Here are some ways you can help.

**Please check boxes below to indicate your interest.**

- Help with apartment/home set up
- Assemble welcome kits
- Provide housing: Short term \_\_\_\_\_ Long term \_\_\_\_\_
- Help with fundraising
- Donate items \_\_\_\_\_
- Provide storage facility for donated items
- Make a cash donation or give gift cards. Checks can be made out to Catholic Community Services or donate on-line at <http://www.ccslc.org/give-help/donate-money>
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Best way to contact you: Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Affiliation (i.e. organization, faith community, etc.) if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your "How You Can Help" form to Catholic Community Services, 1025 G. St, Springfield, OR 97477 or go online at [www.ccslc.org/refugee-resettlement-program/](http://www.ccslc.org/refugee-resettlement-program/) to apply.

Volunteers acting as mentors, guides, and assistants will also be needed in the process of orienting families to daily life in the U.S. We call these volunteers Cultural Navigators and expect a minimum of one year commitment for these jobs that include: help with airport arrival, help with interpretation and translation, connect with other social service programs and community resources, provide language tutoring and educational assistance, provide transportation and shopping assistance, organize and facilitate social opportunities for refugee family members.

If you are interested in becoming a Cultural Navigator, please go to the Cultural Navigator application form at: [www.ccslc.org/refugee-resettlement-program/](http://www.ccslc.org/refugee-resettlement-program/)

**For additional information email [refugee@ccslc.org](mailto:refugee@ccslc.org)**

***Note: As refugee families arrive in our community and their needs are identified the specific ways to help will become clearer. Volunteers will be contacted as needed.***