Commission for Intercultural Ministries Refugee Resettlement Update 3/15/22

Churches preparing to welcome Afghan refugee families in the Diocese

St Mary's, Napa, is finalizing their Sponsor Circle application.

Three additional parishes in the Diocese are exploring the formation of a Sponsor Circle or a Good Neighbor Team.

More Circles and Teams are needed. Please prayerfully consider.

For more information about Sponsor Circles Click here.

For more information about Good Neighbor Teams Click here.

Advocate for the Refugees

Afghan Adjustment Act:

The Afghan Adjustment Act will provide a pathway for Afghan refugees to apply directly for a green card. Currently, many refugees must apply via the asylum program, which is extremely backlogged and jammed.

Please write your Senators and Representative to pass an Afghan Adjustment Act. To do so, click below and follow the prompts on the Episcopal Office of Government Relations Action Alert page. Add your own message as a person of faith to the body of the letter created by the OGR.

Thanks for advocating for our new Afghan neighbors.

Urge Congress to Support the Afghan Adjustment Act

Ukrainian Refugees

Senator Padilla's office is committed to providing assistance for Ukrainian refugees and their families. <u>Click here</u> to access the resources at his office.

World Relief is also preparing to resettle new Ukrainian refugees in Sacramento. Click here for information.

Advocate for Refugees: Urge Congress to Speed up the Visa program for Ukrainian refugees. Write your Senators and Representative.

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