



As LSI welcomes and resettles families from across the globe to Iowa, you can show them how welcome they are in our community by coming together with your neighbors, coworkers, faith community, or book club to make Welcome Kits. Many of our refugee families arrive in Iowa with few possessions or supplies. You can help them as they begin to rebuild new lives here and make a home in Iowa.

**Choose one or more of the categories below, clip out the list, place the items in a clear plastic tub that can close, check off all items included in the tub, and put the list at the top of the container. Please purchase new items and do not tape the tub closed.**

**We also encourage you to include a hand-written, unsealed note welcoming the family!** Consider using print rather than cursive, short sentences, and beginner-level words as some new refugees have limited English proficiency.

**Thank you for helping us welcome new neighbors to Iowa!**

Please contact Natalie Rork ([Natalie.Rork@LSIowa.org](mailto:Natalie.Rork@LSIowa.org)) with any questions or to arrange drop-off of your Welcome Kits.



## Meal Service Kit

(dishes and silverware can be gently used)

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

<input type="checkbox"/> Dishes - plates (6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Serving spoons/forks (wooden for nonstick pans)
<input type="checkbox"/> Dishes - bowls (6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Paper towels
<input type="checkbox"/> Cups/glasses - (6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Paper towel holder
<input type="checkbox"/> Teacups/mugs - (4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dish towels (2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Silverware - forks (6-8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Potholders (2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Silverware - knives (6-8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dish soap
<input type="checkbox"/> Silverware - spoons (6-8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Silverware tray for drawer	



## Meal Prep Kit

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

- Mixing bowls (2-3)
- Plastic food storage containers
- Medium pot with lid
- Large pot with lid
- Skillet/frying pan
- Baking dish (glass or ceramic)
- Cutting board (1-2)
- Large chef's knife
- Small paring knife
- Can opener
- Whisk
- Spatula
- Trash can (11-13 gallon)
- Trash bags (kitchen size)

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## Welcome to Iowa Kit

(please place all items in a laundry basket)

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

- Teapot
- Locally themed calendar
- Map of area
- Blanket
- "Welcome" doormat
- Notebook
- Pens
- Hangers
- Umbrella
- Soccer ball
- Chocolate

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## Bathroom Kit

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

- Bath towels (4)
- Hand towels (4)
- Washcloths (6-8)
- Shower curtain & rings
- Floor bath mat
- Small waste basket
- Rolls of toilet paper (4)
- Hand soap

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## Cleaning Kit

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

- Mop and bucket
- Broom and dustpan
- Pack of sponges
- Bottle of all-purpose cleaner spray
- Dish cloths /cleaning cloths (3)
- Toilet brush
- Dish soap
- Laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Light bulbs
- Tissues (2)
- Disinfectant wipes
- Paper towels (2)



## Adult Bedding Kit

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

- Twin or king size comforter
- Twin or king size sheets
- Pillowcases (2)
- Pillows (2)
- Alarm clock (check if need batteries)
- If necessary, batteries for alarm clock



## Child Bedding Kit

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

- Twin size comforter
- Twin size sheets
- Pillowcase
- Pillow
- Stuffed animal



## Baby Kit

\*Please check off each item your kit contains.

- Diapers (any size)
- Baby wipes (minimum 3-pack)
- Diaper cream
- Bottles (minimum 3)
- Blanket/receiving blanket/swaddle
- Baby bath wash
- Baby lotion
- Small baby items -- pacifiers, onesies, rattles/toys, etc.

