

Assisting Afghan Refugees from The Office of Governmental Affairs and Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM)

Below is information you can share regarding supporting EMM efforts to resettle Afghan allies. They have three relevant webpages:

<https://episcopalmigrationministries.org/afghan-allies/>

<https://episcopalmigrationministries.org/resources-afghan-allies/>

<https://episcopalmigrationministries.org/donate-afghan-allies/> - see language below

Emergency Appeal: Neighbors Welcome: Afghan Allies Fund

EMM has launched an emergency fundraising campaign called *Neighbors Welcome: Afghan Allies Fund*. At the present time, the most urgent need is for donations to the special fund for Afghan allies, which will be used to support housing and basic needs for arriving Afghan families. Please donate here: <https://episcopalmigrationministries.org/donate-afghan-allies/>

Recording of our August 27 Webinar: Neighbors Welcome

On August 27, OGR/EMM broadcast an excellent webinar called “Neighbors Welcome: Episcopal Migration Ministries Responds to Afghanistan”. You may watch the recording here [<https://vimeo.com/593490579>]. The follow-up information is here [<https://mailchi.mp/4de3c3aba448/webinar-follow-up-neighbors-welcome>].

Language to share with others

Language that can be used and shared with congregations/dioceses/friends & family is available here: <https://mailchi.mp/1268e3513e1a/support-afghan-allies>

Note: There is no EMM affiliate in our area however International Rescue Committee, based in Turlock, is resettling refugees. If your congregation would be interested in donating to their efforts or providing more tangible means of support (material assistance, hosting families, etc.) contact Jonathan Partridge at jonnymustardseed@gmail.com. Jonathan is a member of St. Francis in Turlock. For more on IRC see <https://www.rescue.org/united-states/turlock-ca>