

With the news out of Afghanistan in the past few weeks, many of us are looking for ways we can respond personally in the ways of the gospel. Chicago resettlement agencies are currently waiting on the arrival of Afghan refugees and will continue to need extra support in the coming weeks. If you'd like to get involved, consider one of the following:

1. **Donate money.** Financial donations allows agencies in Chicago such as [Refugee One](#) and [World Relief](#) as well as [Episcopal Migration Ministries](#) to deliver aid needed to families quickly. There will likely be opportunities soon to also donate home furnishings as families get resettled, but for now, money is essential to their efforts.
2. **Contact your local government officials.** [Email your elected officials](#) (via Church World Service) or dial (202) 224-3121 to connect directly with your elected leaders.
3. **Volunteer.** Many agencies are at capacity for volunteers, but if you speak Dari, Farsi, Pashto, Swahili, Rohingya, Arabic, or related languages, [Refugee One could use your help](#). Reach out and let them know.
4. **Stay informed.** Your parish leadership will continue to seek opportunities for us to respond to this crisis as the hands and feet of Christ and will pass on information as it becomes available. [Email Deacon Meghan Murphy-Gill](#) if you'd like to collaborate on ways to help.