

## **HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR NEW MAINERS**

The Compassionate Housing Initiative has hosted 12 families in Yarmouth homes so far this year. These are newly-arrived asylum seekers who have nowhere to sleep when the shelters in Portland are full.

As the holidays approach, the team has decided that we'd like to provide some Christmas cheer to all of them. Our intention is that we'll give each child a gift and each family a Hannaford gift card. With three churches involved, that means our church would be responsible for eight children's gifts and 4 Hannaford cards. If you are interested in contributing to this effort, please contact Anne Turner at 415-3644 or [annelewisturner@gmail.com](mailto:annelewisturner@gmail.com).

There is currently somewhat of a lull in new arrivals, but we'd also welcome additional folks who are willing to help us to provide a warm welcome when Let me know if you'd like to be added to the list of people who make meals or help with transportation, or if you just want to know more about this amazing project!