

Refugee Resettlement Program

New program. Same mission.

Transitional Housing

Experience leading skill-building programs and navigating housing and community resources



Adult Basic Education

Experience serving immigrants and refugees through education and supportive services

HOPE & OPPORTUNITY

Refugee Resettlement

CMC will assist refugees with housing, help them navigate the new culture, and connect them with resources, education, and employment opportunities so that the families become self-sufficient as quickly as possible.

Who we'll help:

families | workers | artists

REFUGEES



whose lives have been interrupted by

genocide | war | terrorism

CONFLICT



ethnic cleansing | persecution

and have lost everything they know, love, and need to **SURVIVE & THRIVE**.

After fleeing to neighboring cities or camps in search of safety, only a fraction are able to establish **NEW BEGINNINGS** in the U.S.

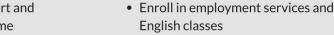
How we'll help:

Pre-arrival

- Arrange for safe and affordable housing
- Set up apartment
- Set up medical appointments

Reception

- Greet family at airport and transport to new home
- Walk through new living space with family
- Provide a warm, ready-to-eat, culturally appropriate first meal



- · Register children for school
- Provide cultural orientation
- Connect to other community services as needed







Services



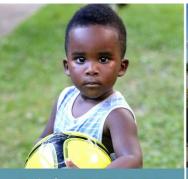


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Refugees are just starting to arrive in

Iowa has a long history of welcoming refugees. In the 1970s, Iowa resettled Vietnamese refugees and assisted East European refugees in the '80s and '90s.

FACT







New HOMES

It's easy for refugees to get to lowa.

Many refugees live in camps for 10 to 15 years before arriving and must complete a series of rigorous interviews and security screenings that can take years.

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Refugees are unable to find employment.

"Once refugees have adjusted to... life after resettlement, they can provide substantial contributions to the workforce and economic development." --Chmura Economics & Analytics

FACT



United FAMILIES



Regained FREEDOM

Refugees receive taxpayer dollars for a long time.

Government-funded support is only available for a limited time. Non-profits (like CMC!) may offer additional support past initial resettlement, but our goal and their desire is for self-sufficiency.

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How you can help welcome our new neighbors:

LEARN

Help dispel myths and create a safe and inviting culture.

Refugees.org is a great place to start!

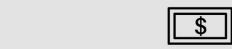


Set up an apartment, provide transportation, cook a warm meal, or teach English! Sign up at cmc-cr.org/resettlement-volunteers



GIVE

Financial resources are always needed to ensure quality services. Visit cmc-cr.org to give online and help kick-start this new program.









Visit **cmc-cr.org** to get involved at the Catherine McAuley Center. For more information on refugee resettlement, visit refugees.org

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