

We Stand For Welcome

Simple Steps For Advocating For Refugees

Your congregation can advocate for refugees in our world today. From its earliest beginnings, Church World Service focused on providing assistance and resettlement services to those displaced by violence and discrimination. Today, we use our expertise in refugee resettlement to assist thousands of refugees on the road to beginning a new life in the United States. We also serve refugees where they are, helping them find safety in both urban and camp locations around the world.

Below are a few ideas for how you can engage your congregation to Stand for Welcome.

Educate your Congregation

Check out greateras1.org for updates on welcoming refugees. Put these updates in the church bulletin, make announcements during the service, speak to Sunday School classes or host a fun, youth educational activity.

Tweet Table

Set up a table before church and during coffee hour to encourage the members of your congregation to Stand for Welcome.

Social Media

Spread the word and help others stay informed! Use #GreaterAs1 and #RefugeesWelcome

Write Letters & Make Phone Calls

Use your voice to let your Senators and Representative know that welcoming refugees is a priority.

Schedule a Meeting with your Senator and Representative

It is more important than ever for our national and local policy makers to know that their constituents support refugee resettlement.

Give Generously

We are so blessed and have so much to share. When your congregation hosts an offering for Church World Service, your church is standing for welcome and practicing gracious hospitality. Visit greateras1.org/donate.

Form a Welcome Team

Your congregation can play an incredibly important role in helping refugees adjust to their new environment by forming Welcome Teams. Contact immigration@cwsglobal.org to learn about a local office near you.

