

## Meet One-on-One

Looking to serve in a weekly commitment that fits your schedule?  
We have virtual & in-person volunteer options available in many roles!

### Young Adult Mentor

Help a young adult chase their educational and vocational goals by serving as a mentor. Meet up weekly to encourage and coach your mentee as you achieve big dreams together.

### Health Advocate

Join our staff team as they provide holistic care for our immigrant neighbors. You'll be matched with an individual to work on ongoing needs around single parenthood, medical conditions, or other chronic issues.

### Youth Tutor

Build a relationship with a refugee or immigrant family of school-aged children and their parents by assisting with homework, the basics of English, and parenting information. Tutor one-on-one or in a group club setting.

### English Language Tutor

We'll provide training to get you up to speed so you're ready to teach the basics of English to an adult English learner and become friends in the process!

### Friendship Partner

Get to know a refugee or immigrant family and help them adapt to America by providing consistent friendship, assistance navigating American systems, and cultural empowerment, as well as combating loneliness.

### Citizenship Tutor

Assist immigrants in preparing for their citizenship interview and exam in a one-on-one setting. Held via partner sites both in-person and virtually.

## Other Opportunities to Serve

Looking to serve in a class or more sporadically?

### English Language Class Aide

Assist our English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers as they teach English to adult refugees and immigrants.

### Apartment Set-Up Assistant

Help create a home for our new neighbors by donating, delivering and/or setting up furniture & Welcome Kit items to their new homes alongside WR staff.

### Transportation Assistant

Help refugees and immigrants get where they need to go and access American systems. This can include picking up a newly arrived refugee family at the airport, navigating the DMV together, or transporting them to important appointments.

For more information contact our Chicagoland team • [volunteerchicago@wr.org](mailto:volunteerchicago@wr.org)

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# Volunteer as a Group!

## One-Time Opportunities

Looking to serve once or occasionally?

### Conversation Café

Help World Relief English students practice conversational skills and have fun getting to know each other while going through questions provided by our teachers in this 1-hour virtual conversation café!

Ideal group size is 10-20 volunteers and daytime and evening slots are available each month!

Contact our coordinator at [ESLTutorCoordChi@wr.org](mailto:ESLTutorCoordChi@wr.org) for more information and to schedule your group's day of service!

### Job Interview Workshop

Come help students in our Career Preparation Class practice their interviewing skills! Students are advanced English speakers & many have professional degrees from their home countries but are seeking to polish their skills to compete in the American job sector.

Contact Courtney at [cprus@wr.org](mailto:cprus@wr.org) for more information or to schedule your group's day of service!

### Welcome Kit Preparation

Donate and/or prepare welcome kits for newly arriving refugee families in our DuPage location. Get your neighborhood, family, book club, Bible study group, or just a group of friends together to contribute in this tangible and meaningful way!

## Long-Term Team Opportunities

Looking to serve with a team over a longer period of time?

### Good Neighbor Teams

You and a group of 2-6 people can form a Good Neighbor Team to extend welcome to a refugee or asylum-seeker family through practical and relational support. Good Neighbor Teams serve in collaboration with our Immigrant Family Services staff to support families in pursuit of their stated goals, and with the support of our Volunteer Coordinator extend hospitality, offer friendship, and facilitate the building of community. Good Neighbor Teams may partner with newly-arrived refugee families across the Chicagoland region, or specifically come alongside asylum-seeker families in our Chicago site through the HOME Program. Teams commit to partnership with a family weekly for a minimum 6 months.

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# Welcome Kits



Welcome Kits are the small household items that refugee families need in their new home. This tangible “welcome” is a great way to establish a connection between you and your new neighbors.

## Standard Food Items:

- 1 bag sugar
- 1 bag flour
- 1-2 lb. bag rice
- 1-2 lb. bag dry lentils
- 1-2 lb. bag dry chickpeas
- 1 quart of cooking oil
- 1 box of teabags
- black pepper & salt
- 1 jar of instant coffee

## Cleaning Items:

- 1 bottle of all-purpose cleaning spray
- 1 toilet brush
- 1 liquid laundry detergent
- 1 broom & dustpan
- 1 vacuum or manual push sweeper

## Miscellaneous Items:

- 1 plastic laundry basket
- 1 pad of paper
- 1 box of envelopes
- 5 pens/pencils
- 1 electric fan
- 2 light bulbs
- 1 calendar
- 1 small toolkit
- 1 travel sewing kit
- 1 book of “Forever” stamps
- 1 flashlight with batteries

## Bedroom Items:

- 1 Full-sized blanket & sheet set
- 2 twin-sized blankets & sheet sets
- 4 standard-size pillows
- 1 alarm clock
- 25 hangers

## Kitchen Items:

- 1 set of mixing bowls
- 1 set of baking pan/dish (at least 1)
- 1 sauce pan/pot & 1 frying pan
- 1 set of cooking utensils
- 1 set of sharp knives
- Measuring cups and spoons
- Med/Lg cutting board
- Manual can opener
- 3 kitchen towels
- 3 dishcloths
- Silverware for 4
- Dishes for 4 (plates & bowls)
- 4 drinking glasses
- 1 bottle of dish detergent
- 2 O-Cello type sponges
- Kitchen trash can & liners
- 1 roll of aluminum foil
- 1 roll of plastic wrap
- 2 rolls of paper towels
- Rice or Pressure Cooker

## Bathroom Items:

- 4 towel sets (bath, hand & washcloth)
- Shower curtain & hooks
- 1 bottles of shampoo
- 2 bars of soap
- 4 toothbrushes
- 1 tubes of toothpaste
- Spray deodorant (for teens & adults)
- 1 box feminine supplies (No tampons)
- 1 package disposable razors
- Shaving cream
- 1 package toilet paper
- 2 boxes of tissues
- Small trash basket and liners
- Diapers & wipes (children 0-3)

# Additional Item Donations

## Furniture Items

All furniture needs to be clean, gently used, in good repair, and from a smoke-free environment. We retain the right to refuse any donation that does not meet our standards. We may be available to pick up furniture donations, depending on availability - contact our Donations Coordinator for more information.

- Couches/loveseats (NO fold-out couches or recliner couches)
- Armchairs
- Over-sized chairs and ottomans
- Dining room tables and chairs
- Lamps (table or floor - that take standard bulbs)
- Cribs (NO drop-side)
- Dressers
- End tables
- Coffee tables
- Small microwaves

## Other Needed Items

- Winter Coats
- Hats, scarves, gloves
- Diapers (baby and adult sizes)
- Formula & baby food (unused and unexpired)
- Backpacks
- School supplies
- Pack-n-Plays
- Car Seats (must be new)
- Bicycles
- Bicycle Helmets (must be new)
- Gift Cards for Amazon/Aldi/Walmart/Uber or chain gas stations

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Donations are accepted at our World Relief DuPage office:  
191 S. Gary Ave., Suite 130  
Carol Stream, IL 60188  
Drop-off times are: M - F from 9 am - 4 pm

Please contact Bob Johnson, Donations Coordinator  
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