#### **INTERFAITH REFUGEE MINISTRY**

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Refugee Ministry Family Needs: Thanks to the generosity and help of many, our 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> families are now settled in permanent housing. Below are some ways that you can get involved with the ongoing resettlement effort. Please email Susan Fedors at Ensemble@stjohnsec.org or Scott Geist at AllSaintsHallBand@stjohnsec.org if you can help or have questions.

### ITEMS NEEDED:

- A 3-seat sofa in good condition
- A laptop in good condition
- <u>Diapers and wipes</u>: Disposable diapers are needed in the following sizes:
  Boys' nighttime pull-ups/training underwear in size Large (Ninjamas or similar); Diapers in Boys' size 5 (any brand) and wipes. Contact Susan Fedors for diaper pick up or order here to ship directly through the following link: Amazon Wish List

## TIME and TALENT

- "FAMILY TEAM" MEMBERS: 1-2 more people are needed for this team coordinating our newest family's needs, troubleshooting issues, and helping coordinate the efforts of other volunteers. Will join members from our partner churches.
- **Drivers** For shopping, medical appointments, errands, school-related, etc. for a family located in Laurel (child safety seats are provided)
- Coordinator for the drivers, liaison with the mother, and manage a Sign Up Genius which will already be set up.
- English Language tutors or conversation partners
- Coordinator for medical appointments and needs
- Visitors, playground trips, library visits, etc.

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<u>MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS</u> in any amount are very much appreciated (to assist with rent, utilities, wifi, household and personal items not covered by food stamps, halal meats, and uncovered medical expenses)

To give on St. John's website:

https://onrealm.org/StJohnsEpiscopa52919/-/form/give/now Fund=Outreach; Memo=Refugee Ministry

- Baby wipes
- Diaper donations may be ordered and sent through the following link:
   Amazon Wish List

#### Additional needs:

- Job leads for an HVAC apprenticeship (candidate is enrolled in HCC HVAC program and needs to gain HVAC work experience while in training; has resume)
- Entry-level job leads for a dental assistant in Howard County who already has a resume (former dentist from Afghanistan who recently completed HCC dental assisting program)
- Please pray for refugees, asylees, and migrants, as well as for the safety of family members who have been separated f

# **About the Interfaith Refugee Ministry**

- We are made up of seven partner congregations, Christ Episcopal, SJEC,
   Columbia Jewish Congregation, New Hope Lutheran, First Lutheran, First
   Unitarian of Baltimore, Patapsco Friends, and Wesley Freedom Methodist
- 33 people have been assisted by this ministry in 2024.
- Our goal is to do what we can to help these families and individuals become self-sufficient, and they are all working very hard to do just that.