

St. James Helps Refugees

Giving Tree

Our Social Ministry Committee has linked us with a refugee family from the Congo who now live in Portland due to the sponsorship of Lutheran Community Services Northwest. St. James will be brightening their Christmas with gifts. You are invited to select one or two of the items online, purchase the new item, gift wrap it, and place a tag on the outside indicating the family member and item. Bring your gift to St. James no later than Sunday morning, **December 19**. The items are listed below, but you must sign up online. The sign up link can be found in the weekly devotions. Questions? Email office@stjamespdx.org or call **(503) 227-2439**. Items needed:

35 year old male: gloves, scarf, hat, pants, shirt, and winter coat
(size large)

31 year old female: gloves, scarf, hat, pants, shirt, and winter coat
(size extra-large)

13 year old girl: gloves, scarf, hat, pants, shirt, and winter coat,
(size medium)

12 year old girl: gloves, scarf, hat, pants, shirt, and winter coat
(size medium)

11 year old boy: gloves, scarf, hat, pants, shirt, and winter coat
(size medium)

8 year old boy: gloves, scarf, hat, pants, shirt, and winter coat
(size medium)

1 year old boy: gloves, scarf, hat, pants, shirt, winter coat, and toys
(size 2t)

Other need items: Bath towels, fan, diapers for 1 year old

St. James Surpasses Fundraising Goal

In October, St. James set out to raise \$10,000 for Afghan refugees being settled by Lutheran Community Services Northwest. Thanks to your generous giving, we surpassed that goal and raised \$22,380.





Donations to Afghan Refugees

Afghan Arrivals- Items Needed

More Afghan refugees are arriving in Portland. Lutheran Community Services Northwest has reached out to St. James with a list of items needed by the incoming and already arrived Afghan refugees. Needed Items:

Furniture: sofas, kitchen tables and chairs, dressers, beds with mattresses (new), etc.

Soft Donations: Bedding and clothing (all sizes). New or gently used. Clean.

Other: Diapers, transportation volunteers

If you have any items you would like to donate, please hold onto them. Lutheran Community Services Northwest is currently securing additional storage space for larger items. As we get more information, we will update you on where your donations can be dropped off. Thank you all for your generous giving.

Lutheran Community Services Northwest by the Numbers

In October LCSNW welcomed 32 refugee arrivals, worked with 340 immigrants through their Immigration Counseling and Advocacy program, provided mental health services to 270 individuals, and served 92 clients through their Crime Victim Advocacy program. For more information on your work done through LCSNW, please visit their website at lcsnw.org.

