How Can You Help Refugees and Immigrants?

Stay in touch with our office:
We communicate frequently about what our most urgent needs are.
You can stay in touch with us by:
- Signing up for our quarterly newsletter:
  http://ccdocle.us1.list-manage1.com/subscribe?u=1c3a8a34f10e1180e1d6d5b7e&id=fcb8494dc
- Following our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/ccmrs/
- Checking our website: http://ccdocle.org/migration-and-refugee-services

Volunteer with Migration and Refugee Services:
We utilize volunteers in many ways. We need mentors and tutors for the clients we serve, we sometimes need help setting up homes for refugees, and we sometimes need help around the office or with special projects. Our needs change over time, so please be as detailed as possible on your volunteer application, it will help us place you in the role best suited for your skills. All volunteers are required to complete an orientation session and a background check.
You can apply to be a volunteer here: http://ccmrsclleveland.formstack.com/forms/volunteer_application

Contact your political representatives:
Catholic Charities does not speak out on behalf of a political candidate; rather we speak out on behalf of an issue. Regularly contacting your political representatives and voicing your support for immigrant and refugee issues helps us spread the word that we want our community to be one that welcomes the stranger.
You can utilize the United States Conference of Catholic Bishop’s Justice for Immigrants website to connect with your political representatives or learn about the Catholic Church’s position on issues:
http://justiceforimmigrants.org/category/action-alerts/
Or you can write or call your representatives personally (see back for a contact list).

What do you saw when you reach them? Just be honest about how you feel. Ask them to support immigrants and refugees in all ways. Ask them to work toward comprehensive and compassionate immigration reform. Ask them to maintain family unity. Ask them to support those that are fleeing persecution.

Monetary Support:
Monetary donations can be sent to:
  Tom Mrosko, Director
  Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services
  7800 Detroit Ave. Cleveland, OH 44102
  (Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities)

***At this time we are not accepting donations of coats or household items due to a lack of newly arriving refugees.***
How do I contact my elected officials?

All Ohioans are represented by the same two senators:

**Rob Portman**  
http://www.portman.senate.gov/  

Washington D.C. Office:  
448 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington DC 20510  
202-224-3353

Cleveland Office:  
1240 E 9th St  
Room 3061  
Cleveland, OH 44199  
216-522-7095

**Sherrod Brown**  
http://www.brown.senate.gov/  

Washington D.C. Office:  
713 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington DC 20510  
202-224-2315

Cleveland Office:  
801 W Superior Ave  
Suite 1400  
Cleveland, OH 44113  
216-522-7272

Your representative in the House depends on where you live. You can put your zip code in this website to determine who represents you: http://www.house.gov/representatives/find/

Common contact information for those living in the Cleveland area:

**Marcy Kaptur**  
http://www.kaptur.house.gov/  

Washington D.C. Office:  
2186 Rayburn Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
202-225-4146

Cleveland Office:  
17021 Lorain  
Cleveland, OH 44111  
216-767-5933

**Jim Renacci**  
https://renacci.house.gov/  

Washington D.C. Office:  
328 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
202-225-3876

Parma Office:  
7335 Ridge Road, Suite 2  
Parma, OH 44129  
440-882-6779

**Tim Ryan**  
https://timryan.house.gov/  

Washington D.C. Office:  
1126 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515  
212-255-5261

Akron Office:  
1030 Tallmadge Ave  
Akron, OH 44310  
330-630-7311

**Marcia Fudge**  
https://fudge.house.gov/  

Washington D.C. Office:  
2344 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
202-255-7032

Warrensville Hts. Office:  
4834 Richmond Rd., Suite 150  
Warrensville Heights, OH 44128  
216-522-4900

**David Joyce**  
https://joyce.house.gov/  

Washington D.C. Office:  
1124 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
202-225-5731

Painesville Office:  
1 Victoria Place, Room 320  
Painesville, OH 44077  
440-352-3939

**Bob Gibbs**  
https://gibbs.house.gov/  

Washington, DC Office:  
2446 Rayburn HOB  
Washington, DC 20515  
202-225-6265

Ashland Office:  
110 Cottage St.  
Ashland, OH 44805  
419-207-0650