

# Join Our Co-Sponsorship Program in Utica

Make a difference by sponsoring a new refugee family in your community!

**Co-Sponsorship is a special relationship between a local resettlement agency, a community group, and a refugee family**

**Co-Sponsors walk alongside and support a refugee family for 3, 6, or 12 months in the U.S. and serve as community guides and friends**



**JOIN US!**

## Requirements:

- Commit to 3, 6 or 12 months of supporting a refugee family.
- Sign a written commitment with your local resettlement agency to provide friendship, encouragement, and support.
- Fundraise toward a specific monetary goal for support of the refugee family.
- Groups are made up of 6-10 people from your faith community, neighborhood group, company, alumni association, or others.
- Support case managers who complete official paperwork, schedule initial medical appointments, and enroll refugees in public benefits.
- All team members must attend Co-Sponsorship training and complete a background check.



Learn more information and sign up for the Co-Sponsorship Program

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