



Tucson Refugee Ministry

Connecting the Body of Christ to the Refugees of Tucson

Announcements

Volunteer Information Night

This training is for anyone considering getting involved in refugee ministry and also for long-time volunteers who have never been equipped for what you do.

**Monday, January 25th
6:00-9:00pm**

Please RSVP if you plan to come!

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T.R.M. BIG NEEDS

Baby Shower

Coordinator:

prepare and equip church groups to provide baby showers for refugee mothers

Welcome Basket Coordinator:

take small groups of people to visit newly arrived refugee families and deliver the basket the group has made

Full Time Staff:

Looking for (desperate for) a married couple or individual who want to do international ministry in Tucson and raise their own funds... gifts in teaching or administration or church planting would be ideal

THANKSGIVING ENGLISH CAMP

We greeted, we taught, we sang, we played, we danced and we laughed as we linked arms with many dear people that God has brought from far corners of the earth and all the way to Thanksgiving Camp! International campers and American volunteers shared an incredible day together and went home with some beautiful memories and many new friends.



68 international campers from Iraq, Turkey, Bhutan, Burma



40 American volunteers from churches all over Tucson

Adult Learning Activities:

food in a box, home repair, Thanksgiving vocabulary, jewelry making and more

Fabulous Children's Program:

Pilgrims, Indians, Mayflower and every song to go with it

Childcare: little ones were cared for so mom would not have to worry

Teens: the guys visited a scary cave and the girls decorated themselves in henna and jewelry

Big Group Time: campers of all ages participated in crazy songs and games and even a scavenger hunt that helped improve their English



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JOBS FOR REFUGEES

Would your church be interested in hiring a refugee to do some temporary work on your grounds or to help someone in your congregation? What if T.R.M. helped to supplement some of their hourly wage?

Please contact our Job Development Specialist to learn more about this opportunity to bless so many refugee families who are unemployed and on the verge of eviction.

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We also have two Iraqi refugees who are skilled in upholstery and can convert that torn and dirty chair into a beautiful Christmas present!



And remember you can visit www.tucsonrefugeeministry.com anytime to invest in this ministry online or to give a year-end gift that is tax deductible.

THANK YOU

to those of you who attended and/or contributed toward our T.R.M. FUND-RAISER that was held on October 26th!

About 225 people attended this special event and learned about how Tucson Refugee Ministry is making significant connections between Christian and refugee communities, educating and mobilizing believers to love and serve the nations that God is bringing to our doorstep. We raised \$12,000 thanks to you, almost meeting our goal of \$14,000 to keep our budget on track this year.

We had a fabulous team who planned and executed the event, with many guests commenting that they couldn't believe this was our first fundraiser. We are so thankful for many new partners who gave their precious pennies from their pocket, and also new volunteers who have indicated that they would like to get involved!!



All Christmas activities and announcements were sent out by email at the beginning of December. If you would like to subscribe to our e-newsletter and help us save money please send email to cherie@tucsonrefugeeministry.com.

A special thank you to all our faithful ministry partners over the past year! Without you, refugees would still be invisible in Tucson and churches would still be buying passports to reach the nations. May all of those who come here from the far corners of the earth be filled with the knowledge of Jesus whom we celebrate this season!

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Tucson Refugee Ministry