

CAN YOU SPARE ANY TIME TO HELP REFUGEES MAKE A HOME IN DAYTON?



After 23 years of unrest and instability, the United Nations has described the ongoing situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo as one of the world's worst humanitarian crises. Men, women and children have been kept in remote, isolated refugee camps where access to schooling is limited or substandard, adults are not permitted to work and there is limited access to human services and medical treatment.

When they arrive here, they face a daunting transition. Language barriers, culture shock and a lack of education and transferable skills mean that refugees can find it almost impossible to thrive.

At Cross Over Community Development we're here to help. Our current project in Walnut Hills, Dayton, OH is targeting 25 families to give them the support they so desperately need. But we need more volunteers!

Our partners at CareSource help with interpretation services, transportation for medical appointments, filling prescriptions, helping to find jobs, and case management. Sadly, many Congolese refugees are not equipped to fully access these essential services. They need help navigating the English language phone system, they fear accepting rides from unfamiliar drivers due to horrific memories of kidnappings back in the Congo, and they struggle with their immigration case management due to language barriers.

CareSource would like to train volunteers to help refugee families navigate its service system. If you can help, please come to a training session at:

**Colorado Ave Baptist Church, 101 Heaton Ave, Dayton 45410
Every other Thursday starting August 1, 2019, 9am–12am**

You don't need an appointment. Just turn up – we'd be delighted to meet you. For more information, please contact catherine@crossovercd.org. Thank you!



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