



# Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Green Bay

*Seeing the Face of Jesus in All*

## Welcome Team

**Family Mentor (Within Green Bay Area)** – work closely with our new arrivals to the Green Bay area as they adjust not only to a new city, but an entirely new way of life. Volunteer mentors develop strong relationships with families assisting in many small day to day tasks to make a big impact. This is a job that could be done by a group.

As a mentor to a new arrival, you may:

- Assist with scheduling and attending doctor appointments
- Help with school registration
- Navigate the public transportation system
- Make connections to community resources such as libraries and local markets
- We would like you to spend time with the family/individual at least once a week. During this time, you may help them practice English, take them to the grocery store, or just chat about life in the U.S.

A minimum 3-month commitment is required. Volunteers will be assigned to one family/individual for the duration of their experience.

**(Safe Environment training required)**

**Friend in the Community (Within Green Bay Area)** – this volunteer or group of volunteers would help the Family Mentor by being available at times that the Family Mentor may have other commitments. We would like this person or group to spend time with the individual at least once a week maybe sharing a meal or a chat about things that are going on.

**(Safe Environment training required.)**

**Good Neighbors - (Within Green Bay Area)** – Group or organization who would like to help with small day to day tasks for a short period of time. This maybe a group who would like to work with the refugees for a day or weekend starting with grocery shopping and then showing the refugees how to do some small chores and making and sharing a meal to end the day. **(Safe Environment training required.)**



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**Grocery Shopping Groups – (Within Green Bay Area)** All newly arrived refugees can access food support 5 – 10 days after arrival; however, it greatly assists newly arrived refugees the night of arrival and the week that follows to have fresh basic groceries.

By assisting in purchasing basic food items to be available the day or night refugee families arrive at the area, you are helping not only feed families but creating a sense of “welcome”.

**Transportation Team (Within Green Bay Area)** - Helps drive our newly arrived friends to appointments, daily chores, and other needs.

**(Safe Environment training, proof of insurance and valid driver license required)**

**Work Drivers (Within Green Bay Area)** – Drives to work, home from work or both.

**(Safe Environment training, proof of insurance and valid driver license required)**

## Donation Volunteers Team Members

- **Donation receiver (Within Green Bay Area)** – Helps to accept donations at the Diocese. May spend mornings or afternoon helping to organize donations.
- **Transporters (Within Green Bay Area)** – Transports donation to storage area or to new residents for setting up housing. (Need to have truck or large vehicle).
  - Will need to be able to lift heavy objects.
  - Will be unloading and setting up apartments for our new arrivals.
  - **(Proof of insurance and valid driver license required)**
- **Thank you, helper, (Within Green Bay Area)** – helps to keep track of donations and sending out Thanks you notes or donation slips for tax purposes.

**Volunteer assistant (Within Green Bay Area)** – Work closely with the Community Engagement Specialist and other members of the Catholic Charities staff to contact and schedule volunteers for different duties. This will require a commitment of about **10 - 15 hours per week. (Safe Environment training required.)**



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**Parish Contact** – This person or person would be Catholic Charities main contact for the parish. Information and updates would be shared on a regular basis that could then be shared with the rest of the parish.

**Fort McCoy** – Currently there are close to 13,000 Afghan refugee at Fort McCoy in WI. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) are running Morale, Wellness and Recreation Centers (MWR). These centers are giving the refugee children at Fort McCoy a place to go each day to play and learn some basic English. These centers are manned by volunteers.

**Volunteer at Fort McCoy (Within Green Bay Diocese Area)**– must be willing to travel to Fort McCoy and stay overnight in the surrounding area. You may be responsible for covering the cost of your lodging and food. **(Safe Environment training required.)**

**Support for Volunteer** – Many people are willing to go to Fort McCoy but are unable to cover the expense of the lodging and food. You can help by donating funds to help in this capacity.

## **St. Alban's Advocates**

Join the Patron of refugees, St. Alban, in prayer by spiritually adopting a refugee or refugee family. Offer prayers for their safe arrival and graces needed to adjust to a new life in the United States. You could write letters of encouragement and prayers for them. We would match you with a family and you could meet them, with a staff member, at the airport for their arrival. This would be a good time to give them the collection of letters and prayers. This is a great way to live in solidarity with our sisters and brother refugees!