



Migration and Refugee Services
7800 Detroit Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44102
Phone: 216-281-7005

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://ccdacle.us1.list-manage1.com/subscribe?u=1c3a8a34f10e1180e1d6d5b7e&id=fccb8494dc>
- Following our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ccmrs/>
- Checking our website: <http://ccdacle.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://ccmrscleveland.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 say 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. You can also ask them to support or not support specific bills. See the "Justice for Immigrants" webpage for current bills that may affect immigrants.

Donations and Monetary Support:

You can donate directly to our immigration legal services program online through the Cleveland Foundation at https://www.clevelandfoundation.org/give-now/?existing_select=migration-and-refugee-services-legal-fund-xfund. You can also mail monetary donations to support all MRS programs to: Tom Mrosko, Director, Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services, 7800 Detroit Ave. Cleveland, OH 44102 (Please make checks payable to Catholic Charities). To donate items, check what is currently needed on our website at <http://ccdacle.org/migration-and-refugee-services/how-you-can-help/donations>.

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 Diocese:

Marcy Kaptur – OH 9

<https://kaptur.house.gov/>

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

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

Anthony Gonzalez –OH 16

<https://anthonygonzalez.house.gov>

Washington, DC Office
1023 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-3876

Strongsville Office
13477 Prospect Rd., Suite 212
Strongsville, OH 44149
(440) 783-3696

Tim Ryan – OH 13

<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 – OH 11

<https://fudge.house.gov/>

Washington D.C. Office
2344 Rayburn HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515
202-255-7032

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

David Joyce- OH 14

<https://joyce.house.gov/>

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

Mentor Office:
8500 Station St., Suite 90
Mentor, OH 44060
440-352-3939

Bob Gibbs- OH 7

<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

Jim Jordan- OH 4

<https://jordan.house.gov/>

Washington D.C. Office:
2056 Rayburn HOB, Washington, D.C. 20515
202-225-2676
Norwalk Office:
13 B East Main St. Norwalk, OH 44857
419-663-1426