**Volunteer Position Description**

**Title: Host Home**

**Purpose:** World Relief matches newly-arrived refugees with American Host Homes that can assist the family in learning English, adjusting to American culture, and preparing them for self-sufficiency.

**Responsibilities:**

* Host new refugee families in your home for 1-20 days immediately following their arrival at Spokane Airport.
* Provide meals for the refugee family for the duration, or invite the family to make their own meals in your space.
* Begin basic cultural orientation in your home (appliances, cooking, cleaning, etc).
* Communicate consistently with Volunteer Coordinator (and Case Worker) about refugee needs.

**Extra opportunities:**

* Greet the family at Spokane airport upon their arrival (when applicable).
* Continue Cultural Orientation through short outings such as: grocery store(s), bus rides, post office, library, thrift store, downtown or neighborhood sight-seeing and/or parks.
* Assist case worker in providing transportation to medical, Social Security, DSHS, and other important appointments.
* Facilitate “donation procurement” from your church or neighborhood community, on behalf of refugee family. Gather/sort basic items for family’s first apartment or NW climate. (See [www.worldrelief.org/spokane](http://www.worldrelief.org/spokane) , under “donations” for sample list, or request more info).

**Requirements:**

* Flexibility
* Willingness to share your home with people of other cultures and religions
* Attend a volunteer training www.worldrelief.org/spokane/get-involved/volunteer and conduct a home site visit with our Volunteer Coordinator
* Passing Federal Background Check
* If transporting: Washington State driver’s license, driving record check, and insured vehicle

**Recommended Trainings:**

[Embracing Cultural Differences](https://worldrelief.thinkific.com/courses/friendships-embracing-cultural-differences-spokane)

[Navigating Friendships](https://worldrelief.thinkific.com/courses/navigating-friendships-spokane)

Use promo code wrspokane to discount the training to free

*For more information, or to request an application contact:*

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