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World Relief Sacramento Announces New Office Director, Mark Dandenaeu

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Today, **Mark Dandeneau** was announced as the new office director of World Relief Sacramento. Mark is an experienced senior executive for both for-profit and nonprofit organizations, having served California's most vulnerable populations for more than 20 years. Mark will continue the hard work of **Kerry Ham**, who was promoted to divisional director with World Relief, U.S. Programs.

"Early on in life, I made a commitment to a continuous lifestyle of learning, growing and developing, both personally and professionally, in service to the world's most marginalized," said **Dandeneau**. "I am eager for the new experiences, insights and opportunities that this position with World Relief Sacramento will provide."

Before joining World Relief Sacramento, Mark worked with children in foster care and fought for healthcare equity throughout the state of California. A Los Angeles native, Mark received his bachelor's degree in Social Work from California State University, Los Angeles. He soon went on to the University of Southern California, where he received his master's degree in Social Work.

"I have found it extremely rewarding to provide a lifelong career of service," said **Dandeneau**. "I am amazed at the incredible work being accomplished by World Relief Sacramento in defending and protecting the most vulnerable. Together, we will act as a community of welcome for our immigrant neighbors by helping them to flourish and find a sense of belonging as they rebuild their lives."

Mark and his family have lived in the Sacramento area for over 20 years. In his free time, he enjoys traveling and spending time with his wife and two daughters.

World Relief Sacramento has been a welcoming community for immigrants and refugees since its opening in 1989. World Relief Sacramento is part of a national network of offices through which over 400,000 immigrants and refugees have been welcomed into this country.

To learn more about World Relief Sacramento, visit <u>https://worldrelief.org/sacramento/</u>.

About World Relief

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years, we've partnered with churches and community leaders in the U.S. and abroad to bring hope, healing and transformation to the most vulnerable.

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