

WISH BOOK

CREATE LASTING CHANGE WITH US



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Dear Friend,

Since 2021, we've partnered with a network of local churches and faithful followers of Jesus to move toward the marginalized. Together, we've loved and welcomed our new neighbors to bring hope and change that lasts.

At World Relief, we know you long to see lives transformed — we do, too. That's why we're inviting you to be a part of creating change that lasts in our community.

To make a gift, you may:

- Visit worldrelief.org/western-ny
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Thank you for your love, compassion, and heart of welcome.

Blessings,



Graham Aitken
Office Director



Art & Supplies for School and our Childhood Arts Program

Displacement causes physical, psychological, and emotional trauma. Fortunately, there is hope. A box of crayons or an art kit can help a child reimagine life filled with a new adventure and bring healing to their lives.

GIVE THIS WISH FOR
\$25 per youth

10+
children
enrolled in
Childhood Arts
Program

Children account for
40%
of all forcibly
displaced people





ESL and Childhood Arts Program

Learning a new language and planning for the future during a transitional time is overwhelming. By providing technology, curriculum, and classroom supplies for ESL and Childhood Arts classes, you can support refugees' journeys towards self-sufficiency.

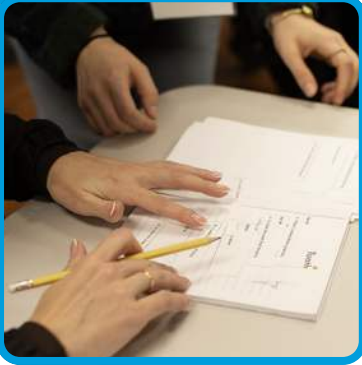
GIVE THIS WISH FOR
\$50 per client



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CONNECT

WELCOME



Provide Direct Care

Provide groceries, bus passes, wifi, and phone cards for families in need.

GIVE THIS WISH FOR \$100 per client

Care Kits

Give the gift of hope and a new beginning. Support a neighbor with a basket filled with toiletries, cleaning supplies, hygiene items, and other household items.

GIVE THIS WISH FOR \$250 per family



Good Neighbor Program

Provide training support and expertise to volunteers who are being mentors and good neighbors in our community.

GIVE THIS WISH FOR \$1,000



1/70
people have
been forced to
flee their homes
globally

Housing


Having a home to arrive to is a way to love a person displaced by war and violence. Together we can help secure homes for those who are displaced. Remember, you cannot have *welcome* without a *we*.

GIVE THIS WISH FOR
\$2,500 per client



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BELONG



Atiqullah's Story

In October of 2021, Atiqullah was flown to a United States Military Base, where he and thousands of other Afghan Evacuees across the nation would begin a complicated existence in the United States.

While beginning his life in Rochester during the harsh winter months, Atiqullah was admirably optimistic and energetic. He was a single man with no wife or children yet found himself grateful that he had only himself to care for during his time of transition. Atiqullah, however, did feel lonely, and he made a point to announce that he wanted to find a wife in the future.

Though alone and unsure of his what his future in the country would consist of, Atiqullah continued to advocate for himself and his needs in his new environment, declaring that he wished to go to college and earn his degree. World Relief Western NY found him a place to live, provided him with “pocket money” for living essentials, and found the resources to give him a laptop for schoolwork.

On December 26th, Atiqullah's brother arrived in Rochester. Happy to be reunited with family. His brother joined him in their apartment and Atiqullah began working at the Vigneri Chocolate Factory to support them. With the money they brought home, Atiqullah and his brother sent as much as they could to their families back in Afghanistan. His brother left behind his wife and children, along with their mother, father, sister and brother.

In partnership, World Relief Western NY, Catholic Family Center, IRAP, and Immigrant ARC hosted a free immigration legal screening clinic for all Afghan parolees. The three options available were the applications for Temporary Protected Status, Special Immigrant Visas and asylum. Atiqullah qualified for asylum. In September 2023 he was approved for asylum and would begin the reunification process to apply to bring his family to the U.S. As Atiqullah continues to navigate life as an immigrant in the US, he now has stability. While so much is left uncertain for his future, ***Atiqullah knows he now has a resting place to call home.***



Your giving ensures sustainability to our work in the Western New York area. Contributions will be used for the purpose specified. If in the judgment of World Relief, such purpose becomes impossible, impractical, unnecessary, or undesirable, World Relief will use contributions for its general purposes.

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