

Help Immigrants and Refugees Host a Donation Drive for Refugee Families

Migration and Refugee Services relies on the support of our donors to help meet the urgent needs of our clients. See a current list of our most needed items. Please only donate items specifically listed here; this will help our donations staff and volunteers serve our clients as respectfully and equitably as possible.

This list encompasses the items that we need the most. Our list of needs is constantly changing so please check back in with our staff if you have questions about a donation you would like to make or how and when you can make your donation. You can contact us at 571-364-8010 or <u>MRSdonations@ccda.net</u>.

Current Top Needs:

- New bath towels and wash clothes; Please NO hand towels
- Trash cans tall indoor trash cans and small waste baskets
- Laundry detergent, High Efficiency (HE) only and please NO bulk sizes
- New dish sets (dinner plate, bowl, cup); we are NOT accepting used dish sets at this time
- New sets of silverware; we are NOT accepting used silverware at this time

Gift cards:

- Gift cards to stores such as Dollar Tree, Walmart, Target, IKEA, and Visa (which can be used at multiple stores) for purchasing items for newly arrived refugee families
- Grocery store gift cards to Giant, Safeway, Food Lion, Aldi, or Shoppers Food Warehouse
- Metro cards to help clients get to interviews and work (amounts of \$40 or less preferable)
- Tracfones with minutes cards for client contact and needed in case of client emergency

New household items as listed below:

- Bedding: twin and queen size sheet sets and blankets/comforters (please no throws). We CANNOT accept used bedding, ONLY new. Pillows also needed, ONLY new
- Brooms with dust pans (please NO mops)
- Baking dishes clear, pyrex baking or casserole dishes. We cannot use cookie sheets or pie/cake/muffin tins
- Mixing bowls, plastic kind are best
- New kitchen utensil sets, please NO used
- Kitchen knives general purpose, please NO steak knives or knife blocks
- Floor lamps with light bulbs
- Alarm clocks that do not require batteries
- Shower curtains and rings; bath mats also appreciated
- School supplies backpacks filled with school supplies are the most helpful but so are general school supplies such as notebooks, pens and pencils, and folders
- Hand can openers electric can openers NOT needed
- 100, 60, or 40 watt light bulbs

Items we are currently not accepting:

Diapers, any types of clothing, infant or toddler toys, car seats, cribs with drop-down sides, and bassinets. All donations are accepted at the discretion of MRS staff.