




Site Overview

CWS first opened an office in Rochester, New York in October of 2023 in response to the immediate needs of refugees fleeing countries all over the world due to war and natural disasters. Since then, CWS Rochester, New York has been working to partner with local faith and community leaders to meet the resettlement and placement needs of refugees.

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3 Ways to Get Involved

- Community Co-sponsorship
- Volunteering
- Donations

Services

Resettlement and Placement Program

CWS Rochester is the first point of contact individuals and families make when they come to the Western NY Region. CWS assists these newcomers with connection to providers and services to meet their basic needs for their first 90 Days in the country. Since opening our doors in October, we have welcomed 45 new neighbors from Venezuela, Syria, and Afghanistan. We are anticipating welcoming another 155 within the year, totaling 200 people served.

Our New Neighbors

Rochester is uniquely suited to support families and individuals of the deaf community, as well as medically sensitive cases. We anticipate welcoming more of our new neighbors within these populations this year.

Let's Make Our Neighbors' House a Home

We want to create a safe and comfortable place for our new neighbors to live before they settle into their new space. Volunteers can help with cleaning and furniture set up.

How to Connect with Your New Neighbors

- Transportation: Teaching families how to access public transportation. Providing rides for shopping trips, to medical visits, or school.
- Education: Enrolling children in local schools and tutoring. Enrolling adults in language programs.
- Cultural Adjustment: Airport pickup, providing a culturally appropriate meal, and teaching families how to use mobile phones and internet.

