Want to make a tremendous difference in the lives of people around the world? In the coming months, tens of thousands of refugees will make their way to the United States after years of waiting. They will have the opportunity to join family members and communities as they restart their lives. These backpacks are one tangible way to welcome unaccompanied minors or families to the United States at one of our local resettlement offices.

CWS welcomes asylum seekers at the US southern border by partnering with 17 border shelters. Shelters who receive asylum seekers released from Border Patrol or ICE, provide them with food and shelter, and arrange transportation for them to reunite with their families. Most asylum seekers arrive to these shelters with little more than the clothing on their back.

CWS backpacks provide families with the essentials for their journey: food and water, children’s activities, a blanket, basic hygiene items, and PPE.

As these new neighbors join our communities, we will you join us in welcoming them? Flip over to see the materials needed to fill one of our Welcome Backpacks!
SUPPLIES:

- All-season blanket - 50”x60”
- Backpack - Standard 17”
- Coloring book
- Crayons - 24 pack
- 2 Pads of Paper - 8.5”x11”
- 3 Pens

In a gallon-size ziplock:
- 1 Two-pocket folder
- 5 Fruit leather strips
- 4 Protein bars
- 10 Granola bars
- 6 Fruit & grain bar
- 4 Trail mix pouches - 1.75oz
- 2 bottles of water - 12oz
- 1 travel reusable water bottle - 24oz

In a 2.5 gallon-size ziplock:
- 2 bottles hand sanitizer - 2oz
- 1 Chapstick
- 10 Hair ties
- 1 Small travel hairbrush
- 4 Toothbrush/toothpaste packs
- 3 Packs of tissues
- 10 Disposable masks
- 1 Travel deodorant
- 10 Tampons
- 10 Sanitary Napkins
- 1 Pack of cleaning/baby wipes

For more information about assembling or supporting CWS Welcome Backpacks contact us or scan the QR code below using your phone.