

# Refugee Care Collective: Restart Kits

Most refugee families arrive in Oregon with few possessions and have to quickly rebuild their lives again. You can help them by providing essential household items, communicating a message of welcome better than anything else initially can. It's a first step in saying:

"You are not alone. We are for you. You are welcome here."

### **How it Works**

Select one set of items below that aligns well with your community. Maybe it's #1. Plates and Bowls, #14. Bedding Sheet Sets, or #18. Mops, Buckets & Dish Soap. We trust that you know your community best. All items below are valuable and we are grateful for whatever you choose.

Whichever number you select below, aim to gather as many of those items as you can. You're welcome to select more than one number, though this model works best when communities prioritize gathering higher quantities of fewer types of items – for example, 50 sets of bath towels instead of 1 of every item below.

Additionally, we respectfully ask that you purchase new items to honor the families we serve. Please email us with any questions at info@refugeecare.org. Thank you for your care of our resettled neighbors!

### Most Needed

### Kitchen

- 1. Plates and Bowls for 6-8
- 2. Glasses and Mugs for 6-8
- 3. Flatware for 6-8 & Silverware Trays for Drawer
- 4. Large Pots with Lids
- Small Pots with Lids, Dish Towels & Potholders
- Frying Pans, Paper Towels & Holders
- 7. Large Carving Knives, Small Paring Knives & Cutting Boards
- 8. Sets of Mixing Bowls (2-3), Spatulas & Can Openers
- Baking Dishes
  (glass or ceramic) &
  Plastic Tupperware or
  Storage Containers
- 10. Garbage Bags & Trash Cans (11–13 gallons)

### 2nd Most Needed

### Bathroom

- 11. Sets of Bath Towels (6) & Sets of Hand Towels (4)
- 12. Sets of Washcloths (6-8)
- 13. Shower Curtains with Rings, Floor Bathmats, & Small Waste Baskets

## Bedding

- 14. Bedding Sheet Sets with Pillow Cases (Twin)
- 15. Bedding Comforters (Twin)
- 16. Pillows

## **Grocery Gift Cards**

17. Gift Cards to Fred Meyer or Target in increments of \$25, up to \$100 per card.

### 3rd Most Needed

### Cleaning & Personal Care

- 18. Mops, Buckets & Dish Soaps
- 19. Brooms, Dustpans & Packs of Sponges
- 20. Laundry Detergent, Bottles of All-Purpose Cleaner Spray & Toilet Brushes
- 21. Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- 22. Bars of Soap, Hand Soaps, Deodorant
- 23. Shaving Cream & Razors, Feminine Hygiene Pads
- 24. Nail Clippers & Files, Eyebrow Tweezers
- 25. Light Bulbs, Packs of Toilet Paper & Boxes of Tissues

### Additional

26. Tea Kettles & Tea (green or black)