

# Ways to help in Minnesota:

## *Give:*

### <http://www.more-empowerment.org>

MORE supports immigrants and refugees living in the **Twin Cities area** through education, social services, and mental health services (MORE, n.d.). Donations of **clothing or household items** are welcome. Donated items are made available each week for immigrants and refugees to take whatever they may want or need. Financial donations also accepted.

### <http://arcrelief.org>

American Refugee Committee responds to global humanitarian crises through Emergency Response, Shelter, Health, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, Camp Management, Social Enterprise, Protection, Education (ARC, n.d.). You may give **financial donations**, or view the “Many Ways To Give” tab at top of page.

### <http://www.mnchurches.org/refugeeservices>

The Minnesota Council of Churches Refugee Services coordinates volunteers to help new refugees thrive and feel at home in MN and accepts donations of household items to help families furnish their first home. Financial donations also accepted.

### <https://www.leg.state.mn.us/leg/districtfinder>

Contact your Minnesota representatives.

## *Stay informed:*

### <http://greateras1.org/learn/information-materials>

The Church World Services created #GreaterAs1 – a resource to unite people in support of refugees. They provide information to educate yourself (click on “LEARN” at top of page) and information on ways to advocate for refugees (click on “ACT” at top of page). They also provide a resource brochure specifically for **educators** (under “additional resources”).

### [http://www.aft.org/sites/default/files/im\\_uac-educators-guide\\_2016.pdf](http://www.aft.org/sites/default/files/im_uac-educators-guide_2016.pdf)

The American Federation of Teachers joined with United We Dream’s Dream Educational Empowerment Program, the National Immigration Law Center, and First Focus to publish a resource guide specifically to inform **educators** working with immigrant and refugee children.

### <http://aclu-mn.org>

The American Civil Liberties Union **of Minnesota** focuses on litigation, public education, and lobbying to defend civil liberties in Minnesota (ACLU, 2014). See “Immigrant Rights”.

### <https://www.nilc.org>

The National Immigration Law Center’s website provides up-to-date reports on national policy, as well as information detailing immigrants’ rights concerning issues such as employment health care, and filing taxes.

### <http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org>

The Advocates for Human Rights website provides human rights training and education resources. Their “Take Action” resources include salon toolkits – and more – for standing up to hatred in the United States.