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Thousands of Afghan refugees are expected to arrive in the United States in the coming days and weeks, and World Relief—a global Christian humanitarian organization that partners with local churches to serve vulnerable populations—has 17 offices across the United States where they aid refugees who will settle there.

#### How Has Our Church Already Helped?

Our Chicago mission team recently served at the World Relief office in Chicago. We helped them prepare for refugee and immigrant families arriving in September. Little did the World Relief workers know that they would be receiving three times the number of families because of the Afghanistan Refugee Crisis!

#### How Can We Continue to Help?

**GIVE:** We would like to help provide furniture and supplies for incoming refugee families in Chicago and Philadelphia. Would you consider donating to this cause? If so, please mark "World Relief" on a giving envelope and place your donation in the offering box.

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