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Are we accepting individual financial donations?

Yes. All Saints' Episcopal Church in Park Slope Brooklyn is our fiscal sponsor, and will be accepting and coordinating all monetary donations.

I want to raise funds among my family and friends.

Do you have fundraising or marketing materials I can use?

Yes! You can find an individual donor email template and a set of shareable social media materials [here](#). Please only use these approved materials when fundraising for confidentiality reasons, per the instructions of HIAS (our refugee resettlement partner agency).

How and where do people donate?

We have a fundraising goal of \$30K by March 31, 2022. Sponsors can donate funds to the project in two ways:

- **For online donations**, visit allsaintsparkslope.org/giving or click [here](#) for our secure PayPal account. If you donate online, please make sure you write “Refugee resettlement” in the comment section of your PayPal donation. **Comment section will be available after the payment.**

- **Mail checks to:**

All Saints' Church

286-88 7th Ave.

Brooklyn, NY 11215

(Please write “Refugee Resettlement” in the memo line)

Where will the money go?

100% of donations go directly to the refugee family that we are sponsoring. All Saints' will not receive any of the funds, rather they are acting as a fiscal sponsor. All Saints' and HIAS both have financial oversight processes (audits) to ensure funds are properly spent.

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Are you accepting physical items, like furniture or food?

We prefer that donations are monetary so that the volunteer committees can assess and purchase items that the family has identified that they need.

Do volunteer committees get a budget?

Yes, the finance committee will provide an allocated budget to each committee to spend as they see fit. Please see your committee lead for more details.

Can donors know more about the family?

HIAS, our refugee resettlement agency partner, has strict privacy rules about the sponsored family. Volunteers are able to know that we are currently sponsoring a small family from Afghanistan with an expectant mother. However, for non-volunteers and donors, we cannot share that much information and the fundraising materials reflect these rules.

I spent money on goods for the family. How do I get reimbursed and how long will it take?

If it is less than \$200, please email an image of your receipt, the name of your committee, and a short description of your purchase to office@allsaintsparkslope.org. You will be reimbursed within 14 days. If you do not receive your reimbursement, please contact Katherine Slingluff at office@allsaintsparkslope.org or 718-768-1156.

If it is more than \$200, please contact All Saints' before your purchase and they will discuss the process with you.

I have an in-kind donation (monetary or a physical item). Can I get a receipt for in-kind donations for tax purposes?

- **Step 1:** Please notify Maya Chabra (mayachhabra@gmail.com) that there has been an in-kind donation, as we need to record it with HIAS.
- **Step 2:** If you need a letter for tax purposes, please let Katherine at All Saints' know: office@allsaintsparkslope.org

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As a volunteer for Brooklyn Neighbors for Refugees, can I use All Saints' credit card?

Yes. Please contact Steve Paulikas at paulikas@allsaintsparkslope.org for approval and the credit card information.

How long is Brooklyn Neighbors for Refugees accepting donations?

We expect that we will support the family for at least 6-12 months (June-December 2022), or until they are self-sufficient and settled in NYC.