How Many Refugees Are There Worldwide?

1 in every 95 people on earth has fled their home as a result of conflict or persecution.

At least 82.4 million people have been forced to flee their homes as a result of persecution, conflict, violence, human rights violations and events seriously disturbing public order. Among them are nearly 26.4 million refugees, around half of whom are under the age of 18.

*2020 data obtained by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

Housing Need

We welcomed a Congolese family of 5 last month. After almost 30+ combined hours of phone calls and prayer from multiple staff, we finally found a three-bedroom triplex close to a bus-line that was within their budget.

This example highlights one of our greatest challenges: finding safe, sanitary and affordable housing. Sometimes we are given only two weeks’ notice before a refugee family arrives.

Do you know a property manager or owner we should talk to?

If so, fill out this form or email housing ideas here.

Follow our Neighbors of MN series on social media. #neighborsofmn
Meet Chris!

Chris Nelson joined Arrive Ministries in May as our Development Director. Chris firmly believes fundraising is a ministry.

“Simply put, fundraising is about communicating the amazing work happening at Arrive and inviting people to join in,” says Chris.

Chris and his wife, Colleen have been married for 20 years, and have three active kids plus a yellow lab. In addition to his roles as dad, husband, youth soccer coach, and development professional, Chris is a pastor’s spouse. Pastor Colleen Nelson was recently installed as the Lead Pastor at Bethlehem Covenant Church in South Minneapolis.

Chris likes to play racquetball, fly fish, tie flies for fishing, walk in the woods with God and split wood for his fireplace. Say Hi to Chris!

Upcoming Events

Summer Picnics with our refugee friends are back!

Invite Your Refugee-Background Friends!
Bring a dish to share!

St. Cloud: July 22, 6-8PM
Riverside Park, St. Cloud

Register for St. Cloud

Twin Cities: Aug 10, 6-9PM
FOR Parks Shelter, Roseville

Register for Twin Cities

Volunteer Interest Meetings Online

July 20, 7-8 PM
August 19, 7-8 PM

Learn about the refugee journey, the work we do at Arrive Ministries and ways that you might get involved!

Connect: Relational Language Learning 4-Day Course

Bethlehem Baptist Church
Aug 10-13, 9AM - 3PM Daily

Learn how to better connect with your immigrant neighbors by learning their heart language using the GPA Approach.

Get Involved

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