



Long-term Host Home Volunteer (1-6 months+)

Occasionally, Arrive Ministries receives referrals for families in the Twin Cities who may benefit from being connected to one of our volunteer programs and are in need of longer-term housing. These may be individuals or families here with refugee status, here seeking asylum, or here as immigrants.

Arrive Ministries' long-term host home opportunity allows volunteers to host an individual or family while they are in transition or unable to afford a home on their own. Because this is a longer-term opportunity, volunteers are encouraged to be part of the Refugee Life Ministries (RLM) program, by becoming a New Neighbor or forming a Church Team, in order to receive ongoing support and to share the blessing of hosting with others. However, it is not a requirement to be part of a team.

Responsibilities

- Provide free (or low-cost) housing for an individual or family
- Work closely with Arrive Ministries' staff to determine house rules, expectations, and length of stay

Extra optional opportunities

- Research and help the individual/family access local resources: assistance programs, ESL classes, local food shelf, other community activities and events
- Continue cultural orientation through: grocery shopping, riding the bus, sorting through mail, teaching how to drive, doing fun outings
- Help the individual/family with transportation needs

Requirements

- Agree to abide by the Arrive Ministries' Volunteer Agreement
- Pass a Background Check through Arrive Ministries
- Attend a volunteer training conducted by Arrive Ministries' staff member
- Conduct a home site visit with an Arrive Ministries staff member
- Excellent communication with Arrive Ministries' staff through the course of the housing period
- Willingness to share your home with people of other cultures and religions, and those who may speak limited or no English

Time Commitment

- Varies based on individual/family need. The time commitment will be predetermined before connecting a family with the host home.

Contact: For more information, please contact Arrive Ministries' Volunteer Department at 612-746-5633 or email us at mnvolunteers@arriveministries.org.