



Arrive  
Ministries

PROGRAM GUIDE



Extending welcome,  
pursuing transformation.



# Our purpose is life transformation for refugees, immigrants, and the Church.

Arrive Ministries is a **refugee resettlement agency** providing essential services and practical assistance to refugees and immigrants to advance self-sufficiency. We **mobilize volunteers**, in partnership with local churches, to **extend love and friendship to our new neighbors** to promote thriving in a new homeland. We rejoice in our opportunity to welcome, serve, and walk alongside refugee and immigrant neighbors.



12,000  
Refugees Resettled

5,000  
Volunteers

50+  
Countries of Origin



MATTHEW 23:35  
I was a stranger and  
you welcomed me.



## Our Approach

Together, we experience welcome, build connection, and cultivate growth.



## Our Mission

Live out God's command to welcome refugees and immigrants

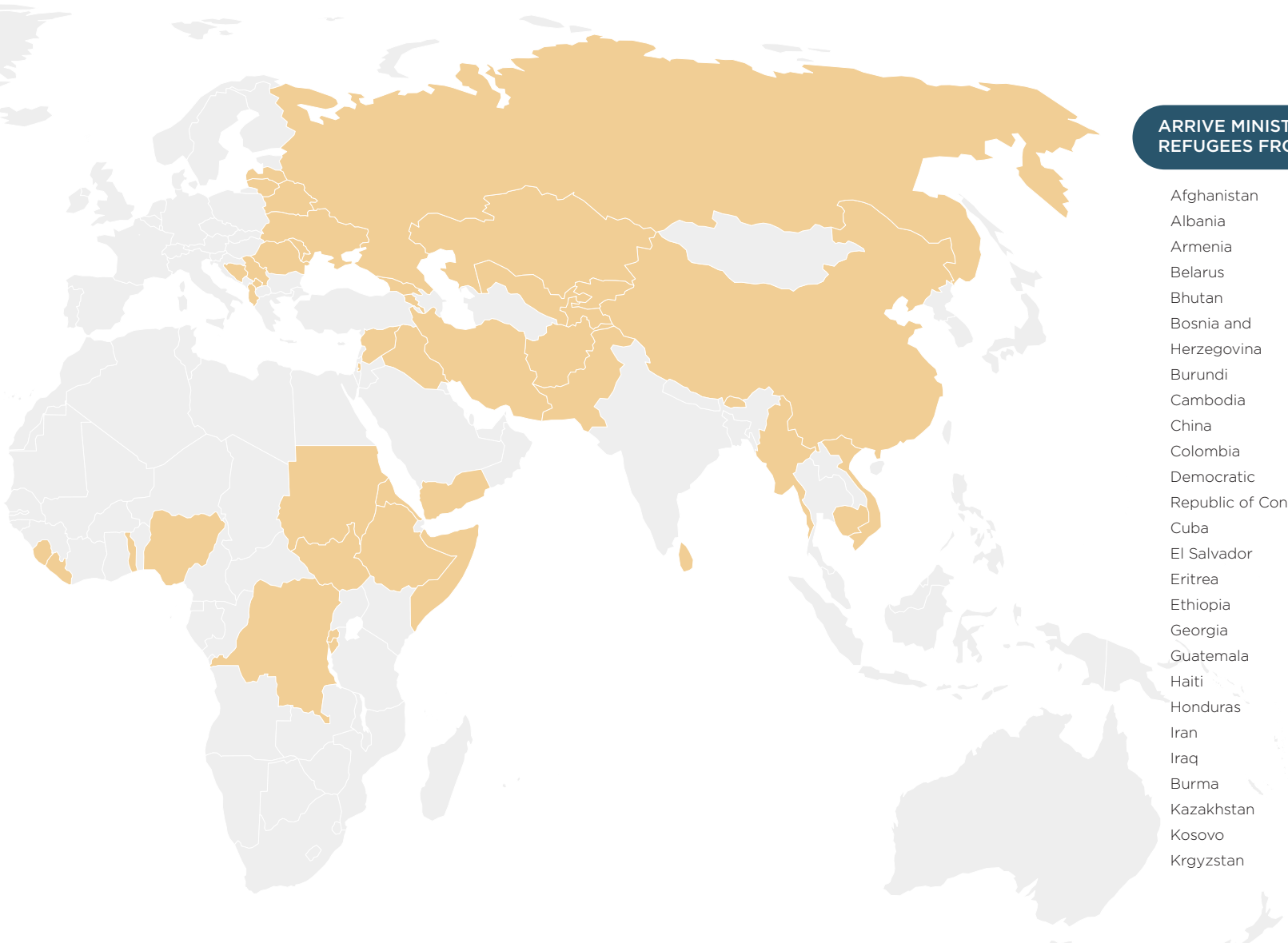
Arrive Ministries functions as the Minnesota affiliate of World Relief, a global Christian humanitarian organization. Arrive Ministries is a subsidiary ministry of Transform Minnesota, a regional church network based in Richfield, MN.

# Refugees are near to God’s heart.

Refugees are people forced to flee their country of origin due to persecution based on their race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group or political opinion. These individuals did not choose to leave their homelands, but were forced to seek safety in a neighboring country where they obtained refugee status.

→ ON AVERAGE, REFUGEES WAIT 17 YEARS BEFORE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RESETTLE TO THE UNITED STATES

→ REFUGEES REMAIN ONE OF THE MOST VETTED FORM OF IMMIGRANTS TO THE U.S.



ARRIVE MINISTRIES HAS RESETTLED REFUGEES FROM 51 COUNTRIES

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|------------------------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan                  | Laos         |
| Albania                      | Latvia       |
| Armenia                      | Liberia      |
| Belarus                      | Lithuania    |
| Bhutan                       | Moldova      |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina       | Nicaragua    |
| Burundi                      | Nigeria      |
| Cambodia                     | Pakistan     |
| China                        | Palestine    |
| Colombia                     | Romania      |
| Democratic Republic of Congo | Russia       |
| Cuba                         | Rwanda       |
| El Salvador                  | Sierra Leone |
| Eritrea                      | Serbia       |
| Ethiopia                     | Somalia      |
| Georgia                      | Sri Lanka    |
| Guatemala                    | Sudan        |
| Haiti                        | South Sudan  |
| Honduras                     | Syria        |
| Iran                         | Tajikistan   |
| Iraq                         | Togo         |
| Burma                        | Ukraine      |
| Kazakhstan                   | Uzbekistan   |
| Kosovo                       | Venezuela    |
| Krgyzstan                    | Vietnam      |
|                              | Yemen        |

There are nearly **38 MILLION** refugees in the world.



## OUR PURSUIT

# The local church is God's agent for transformation, justice, and mercy for the vulnerable.

Through partnerships with the local church, employers, volunteers, and supporters, we witness lives being transformed from their first day in Minnesota throughout their journey.

Refugees and immigrants move from merely surviving to thriving, reaching key milestones that restore hope and create lasting impact like becoming a U.S. Citizen, achieving home ownership, graduating from college or a career advancement program, reuniting with family members through legal pathways.



More than **200 CHURCHES** are partnering with Arrive Ministries to extend love to their new neighbors.



OUR PROGRAMS

# Life transformation isn't transactional, it's a journey nurtured by loving relationships.

At Arrive Ministries, we are committed to empowering our refugee and immigrant neighbors for the long term. Volunteers provide practical support for our new neighbors, resulting in mutual friendship. Together, we are committed to assisting our new neighbors as they adjust to life in the U.S.

WE SEE THE INTERSECTION OF OUR WORK  
OCCURRING IN THREE CRITICAL AREAS AS WE:

1

Experience Welcome

2

Build Connection

3

Cultivate Growth

## Experience Welcome

PROGRAM AREA

1



PROGRAMS

- Case Management** assists individuals who are in a high-vulnerability category.
- Immigration Legal Services** assist eligible immigrants to obtain employment authorization, green cards, U.S. Citizenship, and family reunification.
- Community events** include multicultural worship nights, Listen events, summer picnics, park gatherings.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- Donate household items
- Become a volunteer interpreter
- Attend an event or interest meeting



# Build Connection



## PROGRAMS

**Good Neighbor** connects immigrant families with volunteers who provide friendship and practical support for one year.

**Classes for Churches** equip local churches to love our refugee and immigrant neighbors practically, socially, and spiritually.

## WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- Become a Good Neighbor volunteer
- Host or participate in a class
- Pray and advocate for a thriving U.S. Refugee Admission's program

# Cultivate Growth



## PROGRAMS

**Education programs** assist immigrants as they integrate into a new culture through workshops, classes and tutoring.

**Employment services** assist refugees and immigrants in achieving long-term self-sufficiency.

## WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- Teach English
- Provide technology tutoring
- Become an Employment Mentor
- Partner as an Employer





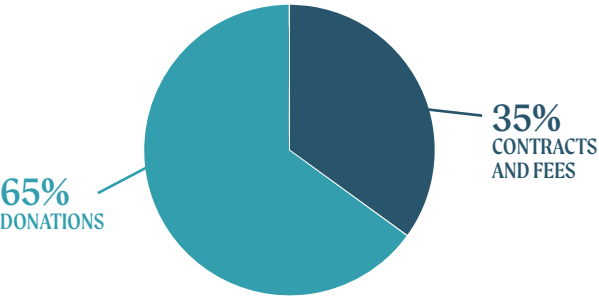
# Our reach impacts communities across the state.

We empower the Church across the state of Minnesota to walk alongside refugees and immigrants. We operate out of our headquarters in Richfield as well as in three outstate sites: Willmar, St. Cloud, and Rochester.

LOCATION OFFERINGS INCLUDE:

- SEWING AND ARTS EXCHANGE
- COMMUNITY ORIENTATION WORKSHOPS
- PARK GATHERINGS
- HOUSEHOLD SETUP

# We value our diverse network of committed partners and supporters.



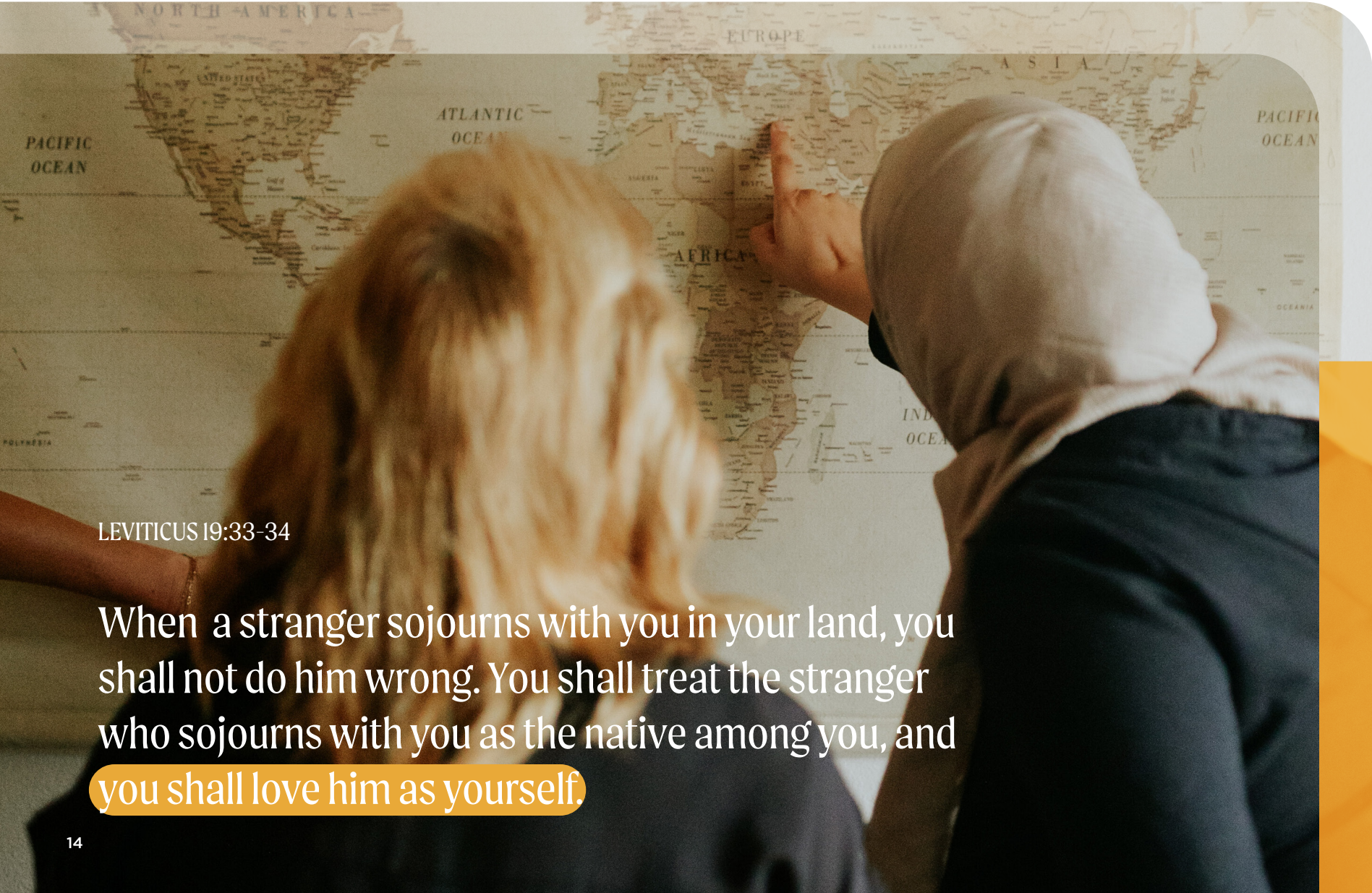
OUR NETWORK INCLUDES:

- CHURCH & INDIVIDUAL DONORS
- BUSINESSES
- FOUNDATIONS
- GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS
- IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES FEES





OUR INVITATION



LEVITICUS 19:33-34

When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself.

Join us.

We believe everyone has something valuable to contribute and learn from befriending, assisting, and advocating for our refugee and immigrant neighbors.

VOLUNTEER  
WITH US



PARTNER  
WITH US  
FINANCIALLY



STAY  
CONNECTED







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