

You Can Support Economic Advancement for Refugee and Immigrant Women in Colorado!

Donate!

The work of The Women's Foundation of Colorado benefits all 2.8 million women and girls in the state. When you give to WFCO, you support our 23 grantee partners, research, and public policy to strengthen economic opportunities for women and their families.

You can also consider charitable contributions to organizations on the frontlines of supporting refugee and immigrant women. Consider supporting agencies such as:

- African Community Center (specify gift for use in Denver)
- Asian Pacific Development Center
- Casa de Paz
- Colorado Legal Services and/or Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network
- Hispanic Affairs Project
- International Rescue Committee (specify gift for use in Denver)
- Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains (specify gift for use in refugee and asylee programs)
- OneMorgan County
- Research entities like the Colorado Fiscal Institute

Buy!

When purchasing items, support a local business that supports refugee and immigrant women.

- Zahraa www.zahraaphotography.com
- Picture Me Here www.picturemehere.org
- RBazaar www.rbazaardenver.com
- We Made This www.wemadethis.com/shop
- A Little Something www.refugeecrafts.blogspot.com
- Comal www.focuspoints.org/comal

Volunteer!

Check out www.corefugeeconnect.org for a list of agencies that may need your time. Are you also a lawyer, accountant, or skilled in another area (like tax preparation)? These skills may also contribute to newcomer communities.

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Share!

Refugee resettlement agencies welcome new refugee families every month. Do you have extra household items, clothes, or other items to share? Contact [International Rescue Committee](#), [African Community Center](#), and/or [Lutheran Family Services](#). They also have handy Amazon wish lists! Are you a landlord or do you know one? Agencies are always looking for affordable housing for clients. You could also contribute through the [Open Home program at Airbnb](#).

Share stories!

Refugees and immigrants contribute to our civic, social, and economic life. You know that; we know that. Do your friends know that? Share messages that honor all the assets that refugees and immigrants bring to Colorado. You can also request a speaker from the [Colorado Refugee Speakers Bureau](#) at your next event or as part of your social and civic club activities. Speaking their truth and their stories is a powerful expression of belonging for many newcomers; giving space to storytelling provides mutual benefit for refugee and immigrant storytellers and their audiences.

Hire people in jobs that honor their skill levels!

Are you a business owner, part of an innovative company, participant in business associations? Hire from the bilingual, multicultural, diverse immigrant and refugee community, and bring important perspectives into your workplace. Review your hiring practices to ensure they take into account diverse experiences; publish your opportunity in diverse locations; and work with your teams to recognize competency and skills first in the hiring process. Work within your existing workplace to ensure equity and an environment that supports employees from all walks of life.

Participate in policy making and advocate for immigrants

Encourage all our elected officials to continue the US's history as a place of refuge and opportunity. Much can be done locally and federally! In fact, you can learn to advocate for the issues that matter to you by joining The Women's Foundation of Colorado's third annual Lobby Day on March 5. Register at www.wfco.org/lobbyday.