

REFUGEE

BRUSSELS

Christian Center

SUPPORT



For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. Matthew 25: 35-36

THANK YOU

Thank you all for your interest in how Brussels Christian Center is providing Refugee Support in Europe. Over the past year there has been as many as 50,000 Asylum Seeker applications submitted in Belgium. There has been an increase in Refugee Centers throughout Belgium from 50 to 92 this past year and they are currently at capacity. The Belgian Government is in need of more facilities to house long term.

Currently the Belgian Red Cross hosts up to 1000 Asylum Seekers (Refugees) in Emergency Shelters near the Immigration Offices downtown Brussels. Once a refugee is registered, they are moved to long-term Refugee Centers throughout Belgium. Presently, the average time to register is 15 day, but it could be longer depending on each case.

The Assemblies of God World Missions (AGWM) is supporting the relief effort in many ways through Christian Center, Convoy of Hope Europe, Continental Theological Seminary, Breaking Chains, locally based personnel and volunteers. Support efforts include providing front line food and drinks needs, clothing, hygiene items and bibles locally and within Europe; providing volunteers through the StapSteen Children's program and connecting churches and organizations to support each other in the relief efforts.



CURRENT SUPPORT:

- Weekly food, drink, hygiene and clothing distributions outside the Immigration Offices in Brussels.
- Collection of food, clothing and other needed materials and delivery to Germany, Dunkirk, Calais and Brussels for refugees on a regular basis.
- Financial and physical support to host refugees in emergency situations as needed
- Emotional support, through a listening ear and a compassionate heart, to help them through the difficult process of seeking asylum in Belgium.
- Spiritual support through prayer and giving out bibles in a variety of languages
- Volunteers to bring children's activities to long term Refugee Centers in Belgium

FUTURE SUPPORT:

- Programs within long term Refugee Centers for Men, Women and Children.
- Meals within Refugee Centers
- Hosting event days including music, activities, meals and teaching within the centers or external sites
- Support of other churches and organizations as they host or provide services to Refugees
- Support to individuals through building of relationships



HERE IS HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- **By praying:**
- **By volunteering with us:**

CHRISTIAN CENTER REFUGEE SUPPORT MINISTRY TEAM (food and clothing sorting, packing and distributions).

Website www.christiancenter.be/refugee-support, Steenweg op Waterloo 47, 1640 Sint-Genesius-Rode.

Contact Sandy Wiemer or Noemi Szabo ➡ refugeesupport@christiancenter.be

- **By volunteering with these organizations:**

CONVOY OF HOPE EUROPE :

www.convoyofhope.eu

STAPSTEEN CHILDREN'S PROGRAM:

Contact Marina Nel-Schapendonk ➡ marinanelschapendonk@gmail.com

THE RED CROSS EMERGENCY SHELTER :

Contact Lily Vangaever ➡ volontariat.bruxelles@croix-rouge.be

☎ Team Lead 0497 52 58 12. Address: Koning Albert II laan 24, 1000 Brussels

SERVE THE CITY (feeding the homeless and Asylum Seekers):

www.servethecity.be

Contact Nino Ostojic ➡ nino@servethecity.be

VLUCHTELINGENWERK VLAANDEREN (Refugee Work Flanders) :

www.vluchtelingenwerk.be

- **By Providing needed items:**

For the latest needs, contact Sandy Wiemer or Noemi Szabo

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- Clothing
- Food
- Sports equipment for shelters
- Knitting hats, mitts and scarves
- Hygiene products and baby items.
- Drivers for deliveries

- **By donating to the Christian Center Refugee Support Ministry:**

The logo for Christian Center Brussels, featuring the text "BRUSSELS" in a small font above "Christian Center" in a larger, stylized font.

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