

Horsham Refugee Support Group

Newsletter June 2017

What we do

We are a local group supporting refugees by helping families settle into their surroundings, by introducing them to local facilities and befriending services, providing English lessons. We also provide educating seminars helping to dispel myths.

Updates

West Sussex has now resettled 12 families and we are helping prepare for the next two Syrian families in Horsham District. We now also work with other refugees in the area.

How can you help?

A big thank-you

Thank-you for all your offers of support over recent weeks. Please see the list attached for items that our current families have requested for summer.

We are also looking for chess/draughts/backgammon sets for our English classes and befriending visits.

Arabic driving instructor

An Arabic driving instructor to help someone to get on the road!

Local fishing groups

Would you like to support someone to get back into his hobby?

ESOL teachers

Volunteer ESOL teachers (qualifications not essential, but preferred) to support our English conversation classes from September onwards.

Befriend a refugee/refugee family

We're in need of male befrienders to help dads to integrate and chat to them in English.

All our volunteers are registered through Horsham District Council and will have DBS clearance and safeguarding training before working with these vulnerable families.

Decorators

We don't know when but our next decorating project will take place soon and we'd like to have contacts ready for when the time comes. If you have experience and can volunteer your time, we would love to hear from you. Please email practicalsupport@horshamrefugeesupportgroup.co.uk

What's going on?

Good news from the election!

While on the campaign trail, Theresa May publicly committed to continuing the SVPR scheme. That's **over 14,000 refugees who are now assured of protection.**

Maidenhead
Advertiser

28th May 2017

"The Government's commitment to bringing in **20,000 Syrian refugees by 2020** also came under the spotlight, with the **Conservative candidate telling an audience member she planned to continue with the scheme.**"

Refugee Week

There are a number of events happening in Horsham in Refugee Week, so we have attached a flyer for your interest. Please show your support for refugees by going along. Tied in with this is 'The Great Get Together', also featured in the flyer.



Join us!

We are looking for 2 members to join the core team. One for managing our social media and one for writing content for our various platforms. If you are interested please contact admin@horshamrefugeesupportgroup.co.uk

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