

# WELCOME TO AMERICA! PACK CHECKLIST

**Sign up now** to greet and provide a warm welcome to a refugee family (or individual) when they first arrive in our community! Refugees often arrive in Chicago with only a few personal possessions. Help turn an empty apartment into a home by collecting and delivering all the basic household items the very first day they arrive.

**All items must be new.** (Gifting **new items** to refugees shows respect and provides dignity.)

This is a great project for an individual, small group or entire congregation.

**The following list of items is required by the U.S. Government Office of Resettlement.**



## KITCHEN

- Dishes for 8\*
- Mugs for 8\*
- Dish Rack
- Silverware Tray
- Silverware for 8\*
- 8 Drinking Glasses\*
- Set of Mixing Bowls
- Set of Pots and Pans
- Baking Pans
- Set of Cooking Utensils
- Measuring Spoons
- Measuring Cups
- Set of Sharp Knives
- Can Opener
- Cutting Board
- 3 Sets of Kitchen Towels
- Dishwashing Soap
- 2 Sponges w/ Scrubby Side
- Tall Kitchen Trashcan + Trash Bags
- Aluminum Foil
- Plastic Wrap
- 2 Rolls of Paper Towels
- Tea Kettle

## CLEANING ITEMS

- All Purpose Cleaner Spray
- Can of Scouring Powder
- Toilet Brush
- Laundry Soap
- Broom and Dust Pan
- Laundry Basket

## BEDROOM

- 4 Warm Blankets\*
- 4 Sets of Sheets w/Pillowcase\*
- 4 Pillows\*
- Alarm Clock
- 25 Hangers

## BATH

- 4 Bath Towels\*
- 4 Washcloths\*
- Shower Curtain w/hooks
- 4 Bars of Hand Soap\*
- 2 Bottles of Shampoo
- 4 Tooth Brushes\*
- 2 Tubes of Toothpaste
- Deodorant\*
- 15 Disposable Razors
- Feminine Supplies (pads)
- 4 Rolls of Toilet Paper
- Bottle of Hand Lotion
- 2 Boxes of Kleenex
- Small Trashcan

## FOOD ITEMS

- 5 lbs. Sugar
- 10 lbs. Flour
- 5 lbs. Rice
- 5 lbs. Onions
- 10 lbs. Potatoes
- Bottle of Cooking Oil
- Box of Salt
- Box of Iced Tea
- Jar of Instant Coffee
- Can of Black Pepper
- Case of Coke/Pepsi

## MISC ITEMS

- Pad of Paper
- Envelopes
- Book of Stamps
- Pens/Pencils
- Fan
- Calendar
- Small Tool Kit
- 4 Light Bulbs
- Scissors

\* Once you're matched with a specific refugee family, we will share the amount and sizes needed.