Many refugees arrive to the United States with next to nothing. Help them rebuild their lives by putting together a Welcome Kit that will provide them with essentials to help them begin again with hope and honor.

**How to Create a Welcome Kit**

1. Place the items in a CLEAR plastic tub that can close (except oversized items such as brooms, trash cans, and diapers, indicated by an asterisk below).
2. Label the top and sides of the container with the Welcome Kit name. Please do not tape the tub closed.
3. Please purchase NEW items. Please also tape the top of all liquid bottles so they don’t spill!
4. We encourage you to include a hand-written, unsealed note welcoming the family.
5. Drop off the Kits & items on a Collection Day. Please check the Welcome Kits page on our website for dates, times, and location of upcoming Collection Days.

**Personal Care Kit**
- Toothbrush (4)
- Toothpaste (2)
- Shampoo (2)
- Conditioner (1)
- Deodorant (4 men’s, 4 women’s)
- Bars of soap (3)
- Razors (4)
- Shaving cream (2)
- Feminine hygiene pads
- Body lotion
- Q-Tips
- Notepad & pens

**Kitchen Kit 1**
- Dishes (plates and bowls for 4)
- Cups/glasses (4-6)
- Tea cups/mugs (4-6; clear glass preferred)
- Plastic cups (4)
- Silverware (4 sets)
- Silverware tray/holder for drawer

**Kitchen Kit 2**
- Large skillet
- Small pot with lid & large pot with lid
- Baking dish (9x13)
- Baking sheet (17x11)
- Wooden spoon
- Spatula
- Ladle
- Oven mitts (2)

**Kitchen Kit 3**
- Tea kettle (safe for stovetop)
- Mixing bowls (2-3)
- Large carving knife
- Small paring knife
- Cutting board
- Can opener
- Plastic tupperware
- Dish towels (2)
- Hand soap
- Trash can (11-13 gallon)*

**Bedding Kit**
- (please bundle items or place in clear plastic bag or tub)
- Twin Comforter
- Twin Sheet set including pillowcases
- Standard bed pillow

**Bathroom Kit**
- Hand soap
- Rolls of toilet paper (8)*
- Small waste basket
- Floor bathmat

**Cleaning Kit**
- Laundry basket (place your items in here!)
- Iron
- Broom and dustpan*
- Pack of sponges
- Toilet brush & scrub brush
- Kitchen cleaner spray
- Bathroom cleaner/scrub
- Laundry detergent
- Light bulbs
- Tissues (2)
- Cleaning towels and/or rags
- Dish soap & dishwasher detergent
- Trash bags (13 gallon)
- Napkins
- Paper towels
- Paper towel holder

*Indicates item that will not fit into Welcome Kit container. Please include item separately at drop-off.

**Other Items Needed**
- Lamps (floor lamps preferred)
- Small kitchen appliances (e.g. rice cooker, coffee maker, toaster)
- Vacuum cleaners
- Tablecloths (all sizes)
- Soccer balls

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