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Quarterly Report : Stabilizing lives of new Refugees with Housing Support & Culturally Integrating them for a stronger future



PRERNA's programs have been uniquely setup to help build a strong foundation for the new refugees on arrival towards self-sustenance. These past few months, we have been rather hectic with an influx of 28 new refugees across Eritrea and Afghanistan, where our volunteers have been

tirelessly working to find them a new home, help them with their applications and support them financially to get their initial break in resettlement. We are excited to announce that all the new refugees have been placed in their homes and as of Oct 20th, 2018, we were able to close on providing all furniture, supplies, clothing, kitchen and basic household supplies to settle them in. Furniture was moved in, everything including the internet and wi-fi connections was set up and we took a trip to a local store to purchase basic household supplies. Our team leads are working actively to enroll the new children in school, set the family members up with medical checkups, and have also found employment for their adults.

We also conducted an amazing potluck on Sep 8th, 2018, our annual gettogether that we do as part of our cultural assimilation activities to help embrace all of the new refugees with hope, inspiration and motivation to rebuild and succeed in the US.

The Baking event created as part of another cultural engagement on Sep 29th, 2018 where the mission to increase the participation of women and girls was also a wonderful experience, boosting the confidence amongst housewives to strive and have more of a voice in a new society.

We give a huge thanks to our all-volunteer team members who contributed their time and muscle to make this happen. If you are interested in joining PRERNA to help local refugees in the U.S., please contact us at volunteering@prerna4refugees.org.

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Thank you again for empowering refugee families to thrive in the U.S.

With gratitude,
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