

What is your name?



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OUR MISSION



We create opportunity
for refugees
fleeing war, terror
and persecution to
build new lives of
safety, dignity,
and self-reliance.

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OUR NAME IS...

Dear Friends,

My name is Melineh Kano and I am honored to write to you as Acting Executive Director of RefugeeOne.

During Fiscal Year 2012 (7/1/11 to 6/30/12), the agency celebrated its 30th Anniversary. It was a year of looking back with pride, looking at the present thoughtfully, and looking to the future with hope.

As we recalled our past, we had the opportunity to re-connect with friends: refugees, as well as people who helped the agency fulfill its mission. We found that, in many ways, RefugeeOne furthers the goal of the founding fathers of the United States: to help people fleeing persecution build lives of safety and self-reliance.

As we scanned our current environment, we evaluated how to effectively manage our role in one of the

nation's most humanitarian efforts. We expanded our Refugee Youth Program's after-school component to five days a week. We began our own in-house mental health program. We made changes in our "back office" functions, improving our accounting procedures and our skills at social media and other e-communications. This skillful management of people and resources allowed RefugeeOne to end the year in the black, no small accomplishment in today's rapidly changing global economy.

The anniversary year ended with Gregory Wangerin joining May Campbell and Mary Caroline Mitchell in our hall of respected leaders. Each laid a solid foundation for new leaders in refugee resettlement to emerge. It is through their work that we look ahead not only with hope, but

with confidence that RefugeeOne will continue to be a beacon of safety and dignity in a world where such qualities are too often in short supply.

On behalf of the RefugeeOne Board, staff and clients, I'd like to thank everyone who assisted in our important and life-saving work during the year. Together with volunteers, we made the world a safer place for some of the most mistreated people on the planet. We came together to help with many voices, but only one vision. *What is our name?* RefugeeOne!

In gratitude,

Melineh Kano
Acting Executive Director

In FY12 RefugeeOne assisted people from forty-nine countries:

Afghanistan	Iran
Argentina	Iraq
Belarus	Ivory Coast
Belgium	Jamaica
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India	Uzbekistan
	Venezuela



OUR NAME IS... AMERICA

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An easy question if you understand English. For most refugees, knowing how to answer is the first step in building their new identity as Americans. A name relays so much: ancestry, religion, ethnicity, membership. From the moment they step off the plane, RefugeeOne helps refugees build lives as Americans who live in safety and dignity. The journey to a new life often begins with the question: "What is your name?"



What is your name? **Pau**

Pau arrived at O'Hare on July 5, 2011. In Burma, he worked his family's farm until **he was targeted for forced labor and torture** for not joining the military. Finding temporary safety in a refugee camp in Thailand, Pau taught himself English in order to get a jumpstart should he be resettled in an English-speaking country.

Just four months after stepping off the plane, Pau was working as a janitor at a gym in the Gold Coast. He became active in the Burmese community and volunteered to translate for newly arriving Burmese refugees. He also began a program at Progressive Truck Driving School. Pau received his commercial drivers license, and enrolled in Progressive's job placement service.

When asked why he wanted to drive a truck, Pau simply replied, "I like to drive." He drove a dump truck for a jade mine, so he is used to handling large vehicles. **"Since I arrived in the United States, in my mind, I've been thinking about my future.** For me, the only way to earn more money is to be a truck driver. My English is not good and I don't have [an American] education."

Thinking of his wife and daughter, still in Burma, he wants to make more money so he will have a nice home when they arrive. Pau's wife works the family farm and, although she has been questioned about his whereabouts, she remains safe. He hopes they will join him soon.

Pau is a living example of RefugeeOne's mission.

PROGRAMS REPORT FY12



Vincent

◀ Vincent Cochotel, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees' Regional Coordinator for the United States and the Caribbean was one of the speakers at RefugeeOne's new educational series. The series, provided free of charge, invites the community to learn more about refugees and resettlement issues.



Afewerki

RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM: RefugeeOne welcomed 356 refugees in FY12. This was lower than the 500 we had planned for: One of the major refugee camps in Thailand was quarantined due to an outbreak of measles; A tsunami closed the major airport where refugees from Burma/Myanmar exited; Syria closed its borders and trapped thousands of Iraqi refugees. Despite all these challenges, refugees are being resettled at more customary rates. The U.S. also began to increase the number of Africans resettled. After slowing for several years, RefugeeOne was happy to see the nation begin to provide refuge to Africans again.

198 refugees took part in English Language Training and 196 were placed in jobs. Of these, 182 remained employed for at least 90 days and 107 received medical benefits through employment.

A NEW PROGRAM TO MEET A GROWING NEED: RefugeeOne used to refer clients with mental health issues to other agencies. Due to cutbacks in state funding, it was taking as long as six months for a new refugee client to be seen by a therapist or psychiatrist. To meet this need, RefugeeOne developed a program that now provides individual screenings for each refugee it welcomes to Chicago. RefugeeOne's Wellness Program is able to identify and treat mental health issues before they negatively impact a refugee's journey toward self-reliance.

EXPANDED SERVICES FOR YOUTH: RefugeeOne's Youth Program expanded its after-school component to five days a week. With this additional day, the program has been able to provide extra services resulting in improvement in English, Math and Reading skills. 180 kids participated in after-school, tutoring, and summer components in FY12.



What is your name?

Yadv,
Yoshika &
Tika Devi

MANY VOICES. ONE VISION.



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Desiré

RefugeeOne's annual gala continued to grow, breaking the \$100,000 mark in FY12. With entertainment, a panel of refugees that spanned the agency's history moderated by WBEZ's Jerome McDonnell, and an upbeat after-party, 300 guests celebrated 30 years of refugee resettlement in Chicago. We were particularly honored to host past Board members, Joyce Allen, Ronald Balsbaugh, Craig Mousin, Georgianna Gleason, Karen Hunt-Ahmed, and Susan Horowitz. Special thanks go to the more than

◀ Desiré Asukulu, from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, who arrived a mere week prior to the gala, took part in a panel presentation of refugees.

50 companies, arts groups and individuals who contributed to the silent auction and to our sponsors: Abercrombie & Fitch, Bridgeview Bank Group, The Eli Cheesecake Company, Hi-Style Furniture Co., Steve and Maureen Meyer, and VedderPrice.



Morikeba

▲ Morikeba Kouyate was raised into a family of Griots (storytellers), in Senegal. He is known internationally for his expert command of the musical instrument, the Kora.



KUD "Bosna"

▲ The KUD "Bosna" group performed traditional folk dances from Bosnia, from which RefugeeOne resettled refugees in the 1990s.

IN MEMORIUM: RefugeeOne mourns the loss of Robert O. Carlsen and the closing of Mayfair Evangelical Lutheran Church of Chicago. Mr. Carlsen, a man of deep faith, connected to RefugeeOne through his involvement at Mayfair. Over the years, Mr. Carlsen, through his generous contributions and genuine interest, and the Mayfair community, through their partnership, made it possible for hundreds of refugees to build lives of safety, dignity and self-reliance. Both will be missed by RefugeeOne.

Statement of Activities Years Ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2011

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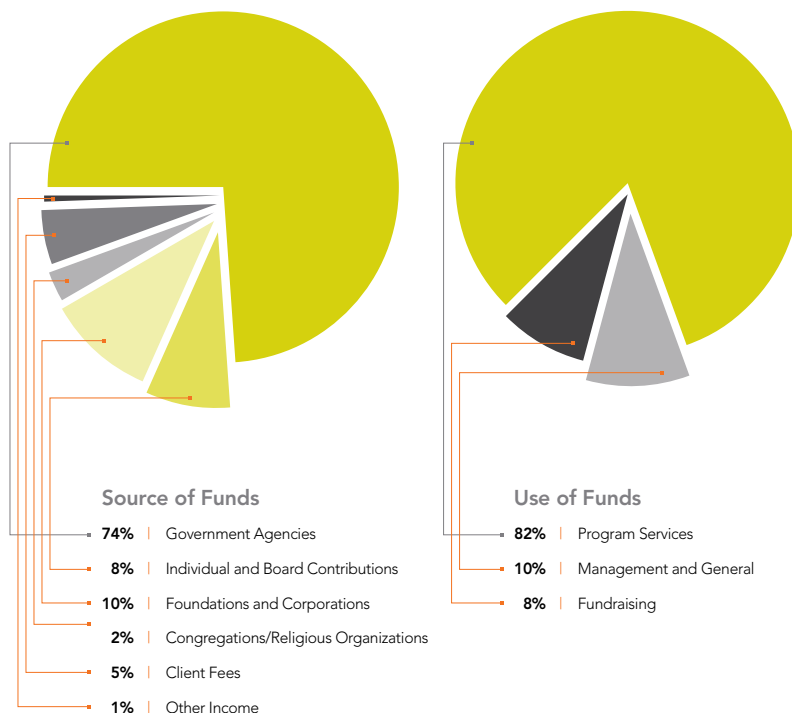
	2012**	2011**
Government Agencies	\$ 2,048,651	\$ 1,947,375
Individual and Board Contributions	219,725	175,563
Foundations and Corporations	277,255	148,182
Congregations/Religious Organizations	76,655	135,969
Client Fees	136,549	120,986
Other Income	13,566	21,510
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 2,772,401	\$ 2,549,585

Expenses

Program Services	\$ 2,272,988	\$ 2,133,733
Management and General	264,279	242,380
Fundraising	229,542	200,267
Total Expenses	\$ 2,766,809	\$ 2,576,380

Net Assets

Change in Net Assets	\$ 5,592	\$ (26,795)
Prior Period Adjustment	(9,100)	
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	471,387	498,182
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 467,879	\$ 471,387



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