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BEYOND90

BRIDGING THE GAP TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY



A Refugee is...

someone who is unable to return to their country of origin because of a well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group, or political opinion.

Refugees are fully vetted and have a clear path to citizenship upon entering the U.S.

2020
Highlights

244
FAMILIES

21
COUNTRIES

864
SERVICE
VISITS

>3500
HRS SERVED

Join Their Journey

Do you, like us, get a hollow, uneasy feeling when you hear there are nearly **26 million refugees**, around half of whom are **under the age of 18**? *"How can I do anything about that?"* It's such an enormous task.

In 2014, we were going through the same anguish as we volunteered to be refugee friendship partners through World Relief Jax. When our refugee family was struggling knowing how to pay their rent and called for assistance, how could we say anything other than **"Yes, we can help."** After that experience and seeing the magnitude of the need, we made the decision to sell our condo and move into an apartment complex where refugees were living. We started serving in any way we could. This decision led to the organization of Beyond90 in 2017. Since then we have opened a Refugee Service Center and acquired homes to rent to refugee families.

Hellen Keller so aptly said, **"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."** It is the collective effort of many individuals like you and us that brings the change this world needs. Please never underestimate the importance of your individual involvement and support. Beyond90 needs you to help us be the hands and feet of this mission. Together we can do so much!



Barton and Lori Chelf
Founders

Why Beyond90?



"One night, when I was nine, men with guns came and threatened to kill us. They forced us off our land." Colombia's multi-decade internal conflict had forced more than five million people out of their homes. A few years later, Amparo's father was kidnapped and tortured.

When her mother died, Amparo took over caring for her sister who is in a wheelchair, needs help eating and cannot communicate

with words. As ongoing conflict ensued, her oldest son was also murdered.

All Amparo could think about now was giving her surviving son and sister a safe life with a positive future. She fled and applied for refugee status and was admitted into the United States.

But settling into this new country was not easy. After the initial ninety-day support period provided to her as a refugee, Amparo still needed a lot of assistance. "I didn't know how to do anything here. Beyond90 helped me get financially stable and gain full legal guardianship of my sister. They spent a lot of time with me."

Amparo is currently getting paid as the long-term caregiver of her sister and is focusing on learning new skills like banking and paying bills on her own. "I am so thankful for my new life,"

Our Programs

REFUGEE SERVICE CENTER

Refugee families from all over Jacksonville are able to come to the service center seeking help in numerous areas, such as public assistance, referrals to community partners, re-employment, household management and more.

SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM

In response to requests from the refugee community, Beyond90 offers classes in Computer Literacy, Driver Readiness, Sewing and ESL, Civics and Citizenship.



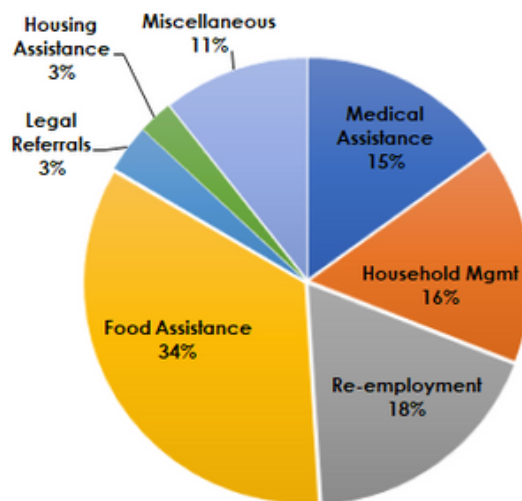
Classes

CRISIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Due to the stress a person in crisis experiences, Beyond90 oversees their case plan to gain access to necessary resources, provide advocacy, transportation, financial support and more. Our dedicated team is committed to the client's success.

HOUSING

Housing is one of the major barriers to avoiding falling into poverty. Beyond90 has three properties that provide housing to refugee families as part of our program of self-sufficiency.



Services

Community Support



Community Events



Food Giveaways



Refugee Christmas



Diaper Giveaways



Clothing Giveaways

How Can You Help?

DID YOU KNOW?

- **100%** of donations support refugees
- **\$20** one-time sponsors 1 refugee in computer literacy
- **\$40** monthly sponsors 1 refugee in ESL, Civics and Citizenship
- **\$40** one-time sponsors 1 refugee in Driver Readiness
- **\$80** monthly sponsors 1 family in self-sufficiency program

DONORS

Beyond90 continually depends on the generosity of our community. Every single gift, large and small, makes a difference.

RECURRING DONORS

Recurring donations make it possible for Beyond90 to meet the growing demands and provide uninterrupted programs and services to refugees. Recurring gifts at any increment allow us to successfully plan and are crucial in helping us implement our annual goals.

Dear Friend,

We are so grateful for your support whether it be your time or your monetary donations. When you partner with us, you also join in their journey to become self-sufficient and rebuild their lives. This year has been an especially hard one for everyone, and we know there are many great organizations that need assistance. That's why we are truly appreciative that you have chosen Beyond90 to place your valuable resources.

We're thankful to have weathered 2020 without having to eliminate any services and that's in large part because of your generosity. While we are thankful for all that we have been able to accomplish this year, we are still feeling the impact of COVID-19 in our ability to meet the needs of the community.

We invite you to partner with us so we can continue to meet and expand our ability to serve the community during this difficult time. **Please donate \$50, \$100 or \$250 - or whatever amount you can afford!** We are extremely blessed by your financial support. You truly have carried us through this season.

Sincerely,
Barton and Lori Chelf