SLCHHOME Family • Community • Safety • Prosperity

A Non-Profit Welcoming Refugees to Central Coast

St. Lukes Episcopal Church August 11, 2024

Strategic Planning for Next 5 Years

- **Mission:** Collaborate with refugees from war-torn countries in rebuilding their lives to foster self-sufficiency and connection.
- **Vision**: Build stronger, more compassionate and diverse California Central Coast communities.

Core Values:

- Honor Diversity and Dignity
- Cultivate Community Connections
- Promote Culturally Aware Learning
- Ensure Enduring Impacts



A Community-Wide Organization

- Representatives from across our Central Coast communities in Santa Maria, San Luis Obispo and Paso Robles:
 - 11 Christian churches
 - 3 Jewish congregations
 - Islamic Society of SLO County and Mosque of Nasreen
 - Leader of the Chumash Native American tribe
 - Military veterans

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• Community leaders



Past support from local Episcopal Churches

- St. James Episcopal Church
- St. Barnabas Episcopal Church
- St. Peter's By-The-Sea Episcopal Church
- St. Stephens Episcopal Church
 - Fr. Ian Delinger
- St. Benedicts Episcopal Church
- Episcopal Deanery
 - David Ottesen



Meet the Hazrati and Zekria Families from Afghanistan





And 3 families from Syria: Ibrahim, Makhoul and Ghali





Meet the Safarian Family from Ukraine





A Special Story: Negina Zekria





An Overview



One more Ukrainian family just arrived and two more Afghan families expected in fall of 2024



An Invitation to Our Summer Soiree on September 14

- Financial support from our Community essential to our mission
- Copies of the event invitation are available
- Consider volunteering and making personal contributions

Thank you all so much!

