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Care Center

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Opening hours:
Tuesday and Thursday 12.00 to 18.00

The "Care Center" for refugees is a joint project aiming to restore the dignity and hope of people seeking a safe haven in Greece, after having been exposed up to this day to violence and life-threatening situations in their home countries. The "Care Center" is guided by Christian principles and values and operates under the auspices of the Greek Evangelical Alliance (PES) in co-operation with a number of local churches. It is supported by AGAPE and other Christian nonprofit organizations.

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Refugee Care Center Activities

Children programs: We often have the joy of hosting groups of individuals who engage refugee children in creative activities: games, theatrical plays, etc.



Foreign Language Courses: The first English Language course was successfully completed, while there were also launched Greek and German language courses for beginners.

Women's Creative Activities -

Sewing Courses: The Ladies visiting the Center are thrilled with the sewing lessons, as they have the opportunity either to create something of their own or have tailored for them a piece of clothing they like.



Refugee Volunteering: Quite often we give to some refugees willing to serve, the opportunity to participate in our activities as volunteers. It gives them encouragement and also facilitates their adaptation to our way of living.

Food and Cloth Distribution: In cooperation with the Central Fruit and Vegetable Market of Thessaloniki (Social Plate), with local bakers and shops, as well as courtesy of other organizations, we distribute on weekly basis food and clothing to the refugees.

Music Events: In collaboration with musicians from Greece and abroad, mini concerts are organized for the entertainment of the refugees.

Snacks and beverages: Every Week, our volunteers prepare sandwiches, snacks, treats and drinks for the visiting refugees.

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16.717

persons were offered free meals, were given clothes and essentials, and had the opportunity to hear a short message from the Bible.



890

persons used the washing machines and tumble dryers.



2.771

persons were able to take a hot bath

Volunteers

Our volunteers are the pillars essential for the operation of the refugee Care Center. It is their love for people, their consistency, faithfulness and their excellent spirit of service, that make things function properly. They truly practice the Love of Christ among the refugees.

However, there are still many needs, and so, if you would like to help with the operation of the Refugee Care Center, you can find out more by calling Irene Anastasopoulou at 0030 6907646546 (mobile phone) or by sending an e-mail to: coordinator@carecenter.gr



“...and on Earth peace”

Last Christmas we had the joy of once more organizing a festive Event. About 450 persons for the first time in their life had the opportunity to take part in a Christmas celebration and follow with great interest the program we had prepared.



The true meaning of Christmas was explained in a simple and understandable way in three different languages.

In addition, a group from the



Greek Child Evangelism Fellowship presented the Nativity story to our little friends with the help of a puppet play and the musical group “Crescendo Hellas” played and sang traditional Christmas Carols and songs.



After the performances we offered our guests, young and old, Christmas delicacies and gifts.

Through the financial support of brethren from the Czech Republic we were able to distribute parcels with small gifts and basic necessities to 120 children, 120 families and 30 homeless people. This was our way to show what Christmas is about, the celebration of God’s Great Gift to us.

Moreover...

We are particularly happy because last year we were able to organize two discussion groups with the participation of refugees, who had the chance to learn for the first time about the principles, the ethical values and the doctrines of the Christian faith. A very important element was that through these groups, the foundation was laid for the development of friendships, bonds of mutual understanding and support among the participants. In the hope of establishing contact with refugee facilities in our area we visited families in the location of Volvi, who received us with great joy.



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Prayer points

We pray that God

- will touch and mobilize volunteers able to help us in every activity of our Care Center on a permanent basis.
- will give us the opportunities to expand our ministry to the refugee camps close to us.
- will provide the rest of the amount required for purchasing a vehicle we need for the function of the Care Center. (Transfer supplies etc.)
- will continue to touch the hearts of the people who visit our Center.

Finally, we thank God for His precious protection and for the care He provides for all of us - collaborators and volunteers – at the Refugee Care Center.

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You can financially support the Refugee Care Center (RCC) and its efforts using the following means of payment:

- Alpha Bank: IBAN: GR6301404120 412002001000244
- PayPal: Agape E-mail: info@agape.gr

Reason : RCC and your name and surname

