

Signposting and information

Reflections

Some of the best ways to help could be:

1. Pray
2. Give financially to organisations already working with refugees (click to read 'give safely' <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/regulators-urge-safe-giving-to-support-ukraine>)
3. Consider all refugees
4. Stay informed and share the facts
5. Volunteer

1 in every 95 people on earth has fled their home. Among them are nearly 26.4 million refugees, around half of whom are under the age of 18.*

I want Christian specific refugee information and networks

Jubilee+ which exists to see churches increasingly playing a major role in welcoming, loving and supporting refugees and asylum seeker.

<https://jubilee-plus.org/refugee-network/>

I want to join in with welcoming refugees to Harrogate

The Harrogate District City of Sanctuary
Part of the City of Sanctuary: a movement of welcome across the UK for refugees and people seeking sanctuary, HDS provide on the ground support.

<https://harrogatedistrict.cityofsanctuary.org>

to volunteer:

www.harrogatedistrict.cityofsanctuary.org/?fbclid=IwAR3couE1Tqp28QKEtML9HfgaW7PrsP5zUEjR44kAyiJ9RGHPgRTekEOVetU

Time to Talk - local refugee group

A conversation group for women from other countries living locally to meet and talk in English. Preschool children and babies welcome.

Key Contact

Jenny Travena call 07505 129004 or email info@harrogatedistrict.cityofsanctuary.org

I want funding for a refugee initiative

Grants up to £1500 for local initiatives supporting refugees. www.asdafoundation.org/documents/Refugee-Support-Grant-Group-Guidance.pdf

I want to find local initiatives for refugees in Harrogate

HADCA

Searchable directory, 'Where To Turn Directory' which includes hundreds of local charities, support groups and community activities.

Contact

www.hadca.org.uk/wheretoturn

www.hadca.org.uk/news/supporting-ukraine updated information and sign posting specifically for Ukraine

I want to campaign for refugees

Ask your MP (www.theyworkforyou.com/mps) to stand up for refugee rights

Visit Together with Refugees

www.togetherwithrefugees.org.uk

Visit Refugee Council

<https://act.refugeecouncil.org.uk/campaign/urgent-ask-your-mp-stand-refugee-rights-0>

Visit Harrogate District of Sanctuary

www.harrogatedistrict.cityofsanctuary.org

Add your name to Safe Passage campaigns

www.safepassage.org.uk

I want to signpost refugees to access local food, clothes and furniture, toys

Harrogate District Foodbank

www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/find-a-foodbank

Community Cafe and Community Grocery

<https://resurrectedbites.co.uk>

The Village - 0-6 years baby bank

Free essential needs for new mums, families and children up to 6yrs

www.thevillageharrogate.co.uk

Harrogate Clothes Bank

Free pre-loved clothing, shoes and home items

<https://harrogateclothesbank.co.uk>

Canaan Warehouse

Free furniture and household goods by appointment only

briananderson53@outlook.com

Toy Library

Free 1 year membership to refugees to borrow wide range of toys for all ages. www.hktl.org/library

I want some ideas and training on welcoming refugees to church

Welcome churches exist to inspire, equip and empower the UK Church to welcome every refugee.

<https://welcomechurches.org>

The Sanctuary Foundation specific to supporting Ukraine.

www.sanctuaryfoundation.org.uk

I want to be a local volunteer befriender

<https://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk/volunteer-category/harrogate/>

I want a church Toolkit for responding to refugees

Church of England Afghan toolkit

www.churchofengland.org/resources/community-action/toolkit-supporting-afghan-refugees

Church of England Ukraine toolkit

www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2022-04/Ukraine_toolkit_draft_8.pdf

Methodist Church Ukraine toolkit

www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/prayer/ukraine/ for The

URC resource materials

<https://urc.org.uk/your-faith/prayer-and-worship/praying-for-peace-in-ukraine/>

Elim church resources

www.elim.org.uk/Articles/632002/

Elim_Refugee_Network.aspx

I want information about the Ukrainian crisis

North Yorkshire County Council - Hosts and Refugees

As of 30th March 2022, 184 hosts in North Yorkshire with (46 in Harrogate), had registered with 'Homes for Ukraine'. North Yorkshire Council (NYC) has access to the matching portal created by <https://resetuk.org> and supported by 'The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities'. Refugees appear on the portal at visa acceptance stage. NYC are conducting accommodation inspections and safeguarding checks.

Register as an individual or organisation host sponsor, or to find out about the role of council and sponsors

www.northyorks.gov.uk/support-ukraine

Ukraine Family Scheme

If eligible, The Ukraine Family Scheme allows applicants to join family members or extend their stay in the UK. Some services available may differ from the above scheme. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-ukraine-family-scheme-visa>

Key Contacts

Jonathan Spencer, Project Manager - NY Refugee Resettlement Officer

jonathan.spencer@northyorks.gov.uk

Emma Woods, Environmental Health Officer

01423 500600 Ext: 58149 or email

emma.woods@harrogate.gov.uk

www.gov.uk/guidance/homes-for-ukraine-scheme-frequently-asked-questions for government FAQs

I want to join local refugee social media groups

Visit Homes for Ukraine Harrogate

www.facebook.com/groups/homesforukraineharrogate

Craven Refugee Support Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/709780342489930>

Harrogate District of Sanctuary Group

www.facebook.com/harrogatedistrictofsanctuary for

(N.B. some group are run by local people and not regulated by a charity)

I want some information to help Ukrainians who have arrived

Harrogate District City of Sanctuary

Drop-in for Ukrainians, sponsors and those seeking support to become sponsors.

Monday evenings, 7pm - 8.30pm

Acorn Centre. 101A Station Parade, HG1HB

Association of Ukrainians In Great Britain

The AUGB exists to develop, promote and support the interests of the Ukrainian community in the UK.

Branches in Bradford and Leeds

www.augb.co.uk

Orysia Chimaera, email: fedir.kurlak@augb.co.uk or call: 01274 573577

British Red Cross

a helpful leaflet for Ukrainians arriving in the UK

[www.northyorks.gov.uk/sites/default/files/fileroot/News/2022-03/Information leaflet for Ukrainians arriving in the UK accessilbe.pdf](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/sites/default/files/fileroot/News/2022-03/Information%20leaflet%20for%20Ukrainians%20arriving%20in%20the%20UK%20accessilbe.pdf)



Further signposting and response

Local

Migration Yorkshire

www.migrationyorkshire.org.uk

Refugee Support

www.hullccg.nhs.uk/our-work/current-projects/ccg-of-sanctuary/refugee-support/

Leeds Asylum Support Network

<https://lassn.org.uk/afghanistan/>

National/International

<https://www.unhcr.org/uk/emergencies.html>

<https://www.refugee-action.org.uk/>

<https://www.redcross.org.uk/>

<https://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk/>

<https://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/supporting-refugees>

<https://www.tearfund.org>

<https://www.sciaf.org.uk/get-involved/appeals/741-ukraine-appeal>