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Catholic Charities of California represents the twelve Local Catholic Charities Organizations in California.

Every year, these organizations provide more than 1.5 million professional social services to Californians who need help and hope. Catholic Charities of California is the single point of access to this statewide network.



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CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Students Stand in Solidarity Through One World Cup



Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County has strengthened families and improved economic self-reliance for the poor and vulnerable in Santa Clara County for more than 60 years. Over 500 employees and 1,000 volunteers serve more than 38,000 individuals of all cultures and beliefs through 40 programs at more than 80 sites. Program areas include behavioral health, youth and family services, economic development, employment, financial education, housing, immigration legal services, older adult services, in-home and long-term care, refugee resettlement, refugee foster care, and more. Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County's programs and services are designed to alleviate, prevent, and reduce poverty.

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www.catholiccharitiesscc.org

On the morning of May 6, Archbishop Mitty High School students and refugee youth huddled up on the school soccer field for One World Cup 2017. The teams proceeded to walk hand-in-hand across the field before an audience of over 100 community members in a display of unity, welcome, and solidarity with refugee youth living in the community.

The One World Cup soccer game—organized as a partnership between Archbishop Mitty High School and the Refugee Foster Care program at Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County (CCSCC)—celebrates and welcomes refugee foster youth who have been resettled in the Bay Area. The idea came from Mitty High students who were inspired to advocate for refugee rights following the recent Executive Orders regarding refugees. The students recognized soccer as a worldwide language that could bring people together. Concerned students helped to organize and host the event, which drew over 50 participants, including refugee foster youth living across the Bay Area, from Gilroy to San Francisco.

CCSCC's Refugee Foster Care program is the only program in Northern California that serves orphaned refugee children fleeing terror, poverty, and oppression.

Learn More about Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County's Refugee Foster Care program at: www.catholiccharitiesscc.org/refugee-foster-care



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Catholic Charities Statewide Immigration Network

UPDATES

“TOGETHER AGAIN”

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County’s Immigration Legal Services recently helped an 8-year old Eritrean girl reunite with her grandparents. Jasmine was adopted by her grandparents after both her parents passed away when she was a baby. Jasmine and her grandparents had to flee from their home in Eritrea after the Eritrean military harassed them. After a harrowing escape to Sudan, they then ended up in Ethiopia. After a few years, her grandparents immigrated to the United States after their daughter, Jasmine’s aunt, petitioned for them. Since immediate relatives cannot have derivatives joining them, Jasmine stayed in Ethiopia in the care of a family friend.

In spite of many obstacles, including legal complications, Catholic Charities of Santa Clara’s Immigration Legal Services staff have been working since 2014 to reunite Jasmine with her grandparents. This year, she finally arrived to the United States. The family members are very happy to be back together and now reside in the Bay Area. Catholic Charities staff also helped Jasmine’s grandmother enroll in their Geriatric Care Training program. Soon after, she obtained a job as a caregiver and for Catholic Charities’ Day Break Cares social enterprise.

Learn More about Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County’s Immigration Legal Services at: www.catholiccharitiesscc.org/immigration-legal-services



Catholic Charities of California

PILGRIMAGES

YOU ARE INVITED to attend an Informational Meeting to learn more about pilgrimages organized by Catholic Charities of California.

Please join us!

Meeting Dates:

Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 6pm: In-person Informational Meeting in Sacramento

Friday, October 27, 2017 at 10am: Teleconference Informational Meeting.

A portion of the cost of each pilgrim’s trip also supports the work of Catholic Charities of California, providing crucial services to Californians in need. We hope you will join us!

For details and to RSVP visit:
www.CatholicCharitiesCA.org/pilgrimages

