



African Community Volunteer Sites

Africa Faith and Justice Network

The Africa Faith and Justice Network (AFJN) advocates for responsible U.S. relations with Africa. AFJN stresses issues of peace building, human rights and social justice that tie directly into Catholic Social Teaching. AFJN advocates for USA policies that will benefit Africa's poor majority, facilitate an end to armed conflict, establish equitable trade and investment with Africa and promote sustainable development.

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(Take the H4 or H2 bus towards Brookland Station to Michigan Av & Franklin St)

African Immigrant and Refugee Foundation

The African Immigrant and Refugee Foundation assists Africans who come to the United States by supporting their cultural, linguistic, employment, and mental health needs through counseling, survival skills training, African cultural awareness education, and cultural competence training for care givers.

Contact: (202) 234-2473 / volunteer@airfound.org / www.airfound.org

1525 Newton St NW, Washington DC 20010 *(Take the H4 or H2 bus to Columbia Heights Station)*

African Wildlife Foundation

The African Wildlife Foundation (AWF) is the leading international conservation organization focused solely on Africa. AWF works to conserve land, protect species and empower people by training and conservation professionals and working to improve livelihoods while conserving wildlife.

Contact: (202) 939-3333 / africanwildlife@awf.org / www.awf.org

1400 16th St NW, Suite 120, Washington DC 20036 *(Nearest Metro Station – Dupont Circle)*

Africare, Inc.

Africare is dedicated to improving the quality of life in rural Africa through the development of water resources, increased food production, health services, and refugee assistance. The organization currently operates more than 220 programs, including many development education programs in the United States

Contact: (202) 462-3614 / development@africare.org / www.africare.org

440 R St. NW, Washington, DC 20001 *(Nearest Metro Station – Shaw Metro Station on the Greenline)*

Arlington Academy of Hope (AAH)

AAH is a volunteer, non-profit organization based in the United States that helps children in rural Uganda to reach their full potential. By creating model schools and clinics, AAH provides education and healthcare programs, local development opportunities, and community outreach to improve the quality of life and transform poor villages into self-sustaining communities.

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www.arlingtonacademyofhope.org / PO Box 7694, Arlington, VA 22207

Corporate Council on Africa

The Corporate Council on Africa (CCA), works to strengthen and facilitate the commercial relationship between the United States and the African continent. CCA works closely with governments, multilateral groups and business to improve the African continent's trade and investment climate, and to raise the profile of Africa in the US business community.

Contact: (202) 835-1115 / cca@africacncl.org / www.africacncl.org

1100 17th St NW, Washington DC 20036 *(Nearest Metro Station – Farragut North)*

Debt AIDS Trade Africa (DATA)

DATA is an advocacy organization dedicated to eradicating extreme poverty and AIDS in Africa. The Washington, DC office works with political, media and faith leaders to raise awareness in the U.S. about the toll extreme poverty is taking in Africa and how lives can be saved and communities stabilized.

Contact: (202) 639-8010 / data@data.org / www.data.org / 1400 Eye St NW, Washington DC 20005
(*Nearest Metro Station – Farragut North*)

Ethiopian Community Development Council, Inc. (ECDC)

ECDC has been serving refugees and immigrants from diverse cultural backgrounds while maintaining a focus on African newcomers. ECDC has a proven track record of developing and implementing culturally-sensitive and linguistically-appropriate socio-economic development programs and services that respond to the changing needs of African and other newcomers.

Contact: info@ecdcinternational.org / (703) 685-0510 / www.ecdcinternational.org,
901 S. Highland St., Arlington, VA 22204

Fihankra Akoma Ntoaso (FAN)

FAN's goal is to bring a Positive Youth Development perspective to DC youth in foster care that provides young people with formal and informal opportunities to nurture their interests and talents, acquire new skills, and gain a sense of personal and group recognition in an atmosphere of hope.

Contact: (202) 889-5000 x114 / info@fan-dc.org / www.fan-dc.org
1227 Good Hope Rd SE, Washington DC 20020 (*Nearest Metro Station – Anacostia on the Greenline*)

Global Youth Partnership for Africa (GYPA)

GYPA is dedicated to fostering understanding, appreciation, and respect between young American and African leaders: tomorrow's global decision-makers. The Washington, DC office coordinates cultural exchange programs for American youth to travel to Africa and also directs educational and fundraising campaigns that raise awareness about HIV/AIDS, economic development, post-conflict reconstruction, and the use of sports to achieve social change.

Contact: (202) 756-4601 / info@gypafrica.org / www.gypafrica.org
1101 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Suite 601 Washington, DC 20004 (*Nearest Metro Station – Metro Center*)

Immigration and Refugee Services of America (IRSA)

IRSA serves refugees, immigrants, and others in migratio by providing refugee resettlement, immigration counseling, and other supportive services to ease the burden of transition both for the newcomers and the communities receiving them. Agencies provide asylum representation and advocate on behalf of the rights of immigrants and refugees.

Contact: irsa@irsa-uscr.org / (202) 797-2105 / www.irsa-uscr.org
1717 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036
(*Nearest Metro Station – Dupont Circle*)

International Rescue Committee (IRC)

The IRC's Public Health Program (located adjacent to the Silver Spring Metro station) provides physical and mental health services to the IRC's beneficiaries. Most refugees have experienced harsh conditions and traumatic experiences, with access to little or no medical care during the years before resettlement. As such, the Public Health Program offers a variety of programming in public health awareness, access, and advocacy. They hope to find volunteers to assist with research of local health options, design curricula for and facilitate health promotion workshops, mentor refugee clients with specific health concerns, to translate/interpret, or to help compile educational materials or first aid kits.

Contact: volunteerdc@their.org / (301) 562-8633 / www.theirc.org
8700 Georgia Avenue Suite 500, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (*Nearest Metro Station – Sliver Spring*)

Phelps Stokes Fund

The Phelps Stokes Fund addresses the educational needs of the urban and rural poor of Africa, the African Diaspora, and the United States with particular attention to the needs of people of color. The Fund believes that true education depends on a fundamental respect for human dignity, the development of the full capacities inherent in each human being, and the cultivation of social harmony.

Contact: (202) 371-9544 / info@phelpsstokes.org / www.phelpsstokes.org
1400 Eye St NW, Suite 750, Washington DC 20005

Refugee Council U.S.A.

A coalition of U.S. nongovernmental organizations focused on refugee protection, Refugee Council USA provides advocacy on issues affecting the protection and rights of refugees and displaced persons in the United States and worldwide. Focusing on adherence to international standards of refugee rights, promotion of the right to asylum, political and financial support for UNHCR, and promotion of durable solutions, including resettlement to the United States.

Contact: (202) 541-5402 x04 / www.rcusa.org / info@rcusa.org
3211 4th Street, N.E., Washington DC 20017

Refugees International

Refugees International generates lifesaving humanitarian assistance and protection for displaced people around the world and works to end the conditions that create displacement. It offers unpaid internships throughout the year for those seeking work experience in the humanitarian field. The opportunity exists to gain experience in congressional and governmental, advocacy, communications, development, research, peacekeeping, or a general internship.

Contact: www.refugeesinternational.org / ri@refintl.org2001
S Street NW Suite 700 Washington, DC 20009. (202) 828-0110

Roots to Freedom

Roots to Freedom supplements mainstream schooling with seminars, dialogues, symposiums, cultural exchanges and leadership development. These programs serve as a vehicle to engage children to critically examine and understand the connectedness between past and present. Roots to Freedom also recognizes the need for reinforcement beyond academia through our mentoring program. Mentoring assignments are community based and provide support in overcoming obstacles in day to day living.

Contact: (202) 558-2367 / info@rootstofreedom.org / www.rootstofreedom.org

The Ark Foundation of Africa

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(202) 832-5420 info@arkafrica.org www.arkafrica.org

ARK strives to serve all East African children facing a daily struggle to survive. We emphasize education and self-sufficiency in the communities where we work. By sharing information and training individuals and groups, ARK encourages communities to support themselves and to share their experiences and successes with others. This process allows entire families and communities to gain the skills necessary to ensure a more sustainable future. To foster dignity and self-reliance, ARK and its program partners provide a range of comprehensive services, including: family counseling, financial support for grandparents caring for orphans and other vulnerable children, health education, nutrition information, food assistance, academic support and job training.

The Crimes of War Project

The Crimes of War Project is a collaboration of journalists, lawyers and scholars dedicated to raising public awareness about the laws of war and their application to situations of conflict. It promotes understanding of humanitarian law among journalists, policymakers, and the public, believing that knowledge of the legal framework governing conflict will lead to greater pressure to prevent breaches of the law.

Contact: (202) 638-0230 / office@crimesofwar.org / www.crimesofwar.org
1325 G St NW, Washington DC 20005

TransAfrica Forum

TransAfrica Forum promotes diversity and equity in the foreign policy arena and justice for the African World. TransAfrica Forum serves as an educational and organizing center that encourages progressive viewpoints and advocates justice for the people of Africa and the African Diaspora. The organization promotes solidarity with the oppressed and supports human rights, gender equity, democracy, and sustainable economic and environmental development practices in Africa and other countries where people of African descent reside.

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