

June 15, 2018

## **Volunteers Needed!**

**Two individuals or organizations needed to oversee**

**Health Care Services and Social Services for our third refugee family.**

Dear RAMP Members and Friends,

I would like to bring you up-to-date on RAMP'S plan for sponsoring a third refugee family. The plan was decided at the June 7th membership meeting.

As you may recall, we had decided to wait until we were in a position to accept a third family. That meant that we had to have a member who could act as a Family Coordinator, responsible to guide the new family through the process of beginning their new life in America.

One of our RAMP members, Tom Graham, a member of the Dover-Randolph Friends Meeting, stepped forward and agreed to serve as the Coordinator for our third family. Tom has had experience, having been a member of the support team that welcomed our second family, Akhtar and Nargis Muniri.

However, in addition to requiring a Family Coordinator, we also knew that we needed two individuals, or organizations (churches, mosques, synagogues or temples) who would take the responsibility to act as coordinator in the areas of (1) Health Care Services as well as (2) Social Services.

Presently we are seeking two volunteers who could fill these spots. The basic responsibilities for both would be to connect the family members to health care services and social service. For the Health Care Coordinator, this usually involves arranging medical and dental appointments for each of the family members, arranging transportation, and in the beginning, accompanying them to and from their appointments.

The responsibility of the Social Services Coordinator is arranging for appointments with various agencies that the family is required to visit. This includes arranging for them to obtain social security, temporary assistance, motor vehicle ID's and, where applicable, green cards. As in the case of the Health Care Coordinator, the Social Services Coordinator will also be responsible for arranging transportation as well as accompanying them to their social services appointments.

For anyone interested in volunteering for one of these coordinator jobs, please contact Tom Graham, at (973) 627-0651 or email him here: [t.grah748@gmail.com](mailto:t.grah748@gmail.com)

I can assure anyone or any group who is willing to take on this responsibility that they will have the full support needed from those who have been through this process with our first two families.

We look forward to hearing from you,  
Gerry Gannon, RAMP Coordinator