

Faces of Resettlement Video Lesson Plan for Community Members

Session Title: Welcoming Refugees to Your Community

Objectives	Participants will be able to: ✓ identify ways to welcome refugees to their community
Lesson Time	20 minutes
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">☐ <i>Welcoming Refugees to Your Community Scenarios</i> (samples included); 1 per 2 participants☐ Scissors☐ Flipchart paper (or a board) and marker
Session Note	This activity is designed to follow either of the preceding session plans for community members or to be conducted with other participants who have already seen the <i>Faces of Resettlement</i> video.
Session Preparation	Print, copy, and cut out the <i>Welcoming Refugees to Your Community Scenarios</i> so there is one on each slip of paper.
Activity and Discussion	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ask participants to sit next to a partner. Provide half the pairs with <i>How to Get Involved in Welcoming Refugees to Your Community Scenario A</i> and the other half with <i>How to Get Involved in Welcoming Refugees to Your Community Scenario B</i>. Ask the pairs to discuss the scenarios they have.2. After 5 minutes, each pair with scenario A should form a group with a pair who has scenario B. (Participants should now be in groups of four people.) In their small groups, participants should introduce their scenario and share what each pair discussed. By the end of the Session Warm-Up, participants have all considered both scenarios A and B (first as pairs, then in small groups).3. Bring the full group together and ask participants what similarities and differences emerged through the discussion in terms of what people expected from their neighbors and community members. Record responses on flipchart paper.4. Discuss with the full group ways they might make new community members feel welcome.

Welcoming Refugees to Your Community Scenarios

Scenario A:

You hear from a neighbor that a new family is moving in next door to you soon. You also learn that the family is coming from a different country and that they do not know anyone in the area.

- What would you want to know about this family?
- Would you plan to reach out to them once they move in? Why or why not?
- Would you want them to reach out to you? Why or why not?
- What could you and other community members do to make them feel welcome?

Scenario B:

Imagine that your family and you move to a different country where you do not know anyone.

- What would you want to know about your neighbors?
- Would you want them to reach out to you once you move in? Why or why not?
- Would you plan to reach out to them? Why or why not?
- What could your neighbors and other community members do to make you feel welcome?

