

## **NDNU to Provide Temporary Housing for Afghan Refugee Families**

NDNU has proudly joined **Every Campus a Refuge** (ECAR), and starting this month, we will provide much needed temporary housing to refugee families from Afghanistan.

We are the first university in California to join the ECAR organization, and we hope to inspire other campuses to open their doors as well. We are partnering with the [International Refugee Committee](#) (IRC), which has been helping to settle refugees for many years.

NDNU will provide temporary housing for no more than 36 Afghan refugees on campus for up to 90 days, with the option to extend an additional 60 days upon mutual agreement with NDNU and IRC.

Here are some details:

- IRC provides comprehensive services for refugees, including case management, provision of food and clothing and cultural orientation.
- Participants undergo an extensive vetting process through several U.S. federal government agencies and security systems.
- Evacuated Afghans were granted humanitarian parole for two years and are connected to legal referrals to pursue permanent status.
- NDNU provides 24/7 campus security.
- NDNU commits to coordinating closely with local law enforcement to monitor and report potential threats to refugee safety.

Perhaps Hallmark #3 says it best: **We advocate for and act on behalf of justice and peace in the world.**