About the Dallas Responds Respite Center

In response to requests from Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins and the Dallas Office of Welcoming Communities and Immigrant Affairs, Faith Forward Dallas at Thanks-Giving Square, a collaborative convening of many of the area's multi-faith clergy and non-profit organizations has brought together the volunteer resources necessary to respond to help our border cities handle the overwhelming influx of legal asylum seekers by acting as intake and respite centers, compassionate caregivers, and expediters/facilitators of their travel.

Donation Needs

We are receiving support and donations from many communities. To help streamline donations from the community, we are maintaining a list of current needs.

You will find the most current list by clicking here: https://www.thanksgiving.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Donation Needs List.pdf

Where to Donate

We will be accepting donations at Oak Lawn United Methodist Church in Dallas Monday – Saturday from 12 – 6 pm beginning on Saturday, June 8th. There is a separate donation entrance location at the back of the parking lot near the playground entrance. Please looks for signs.

Please do not leave donations by the door outside of the designated hours.

How You Can Help Make our Respite Center a Success

While we cannot be successful without your generous support, we have a few suggestions that will help ensure we are able to provide compassionate care to asylum seekers in an organized, well-run center:

- Pre-sort and clearly label donations as you're able
- Follow the list of donation needs and donation don'ts (above link to donation list)
- Donate during the designated hours

Thank You!

Thank you so much for your interest in donating! Without the support of people like you, we would not be able to provide compassionate care to the asylum-seeking families arriving at our new center.