



Guide to Raising Awareness and Funds

Collateral Repair Project

Welcome to Collateral Repair Project! This guide will provide you with background material and informational flyers in order for you to make an activity happen that will benefit the refugees CRP serves. Whether you host an event, raise 200 dollars, or 2,000 dollars, you can make a difference for the lives of urban refugees in East Amman!

How Can You Help?

The **best place** to start is something that will be **fun** and **enjoyable** for you. Here are just some ideas of events that people have done before:

- ❖ Run a Half Marathon
- ❖ Throw a Super Bowl or Oscars Party
- ❖ Host a Potluck
- ❖ Organize a Garage Sale
- ❖ Connect with Local Organizations and Networks
- ❖ Plan a Bake Sale
- ❖ Sponsor a Yoga Class
- ❖ Fundraise at a Local School
- ❖ Host a Quiz Night
- ❖ Soup for Syria House Party

“We had a great time gathering together for a cozy potluck on a cold afternoon. It was easy to organize, and everyone was more than happy to help out with such a great cause that doesn’t get nearly enough attention.” – Beth Martin (Ottawa, Canada)



"We managed to raise over \$12,000 by setting ourselves up for a ridiculously challenging goal of running the Palestine half-marathon, and having friends and family who believed in the importance of that goal. Each year the Right to Movement organizes a marathon in Bethlehem to celebrate Palestine's most often restricted human right - movement. The money we raised by participating in this marathon was through the urgency of the situation, and the solidarity of our friends and family."- Sarah Naim

“For my daughter’s 7-year-old birthday party, we encouraged parents to donate whatever they would have spent buying a present to kids abroad where it will make a big difference.” – Jennifer Ross (New York, USA)



Soup for Syria Dinner Party, Amman, Jordan



“I sincerely hope that others will be inspired to give a home-based awareness and funds raising evening a try”-Kathy Sullivan, coordinator of Soup for Syria

“We hosted a party for our friends to support CRP. The evening was a tremendous success. It was super easy, fun and a profound experience too. The work that CRP does is inspirational – positive and important.” – Nick and Tamara Brinckman (Toronto, Canada)

To Get Started!

Are you ready to help us help urban refugees? Do you want to tell your friends about the work CRP does in a quick and easy way? Find our Annual Report which you can print, email, and share with family and friends. We typically put resources out at events which give a great overview of our work.

Read our Annual Report: [Here](#)

CRP is on Vimeo. Check out two short videos filmed on location at our Family and Resource community center in East Amman. [“Welcome to CRP”](#) shows what an average home visit is like and [“Little Refugees”](#) showcases the stories of our littlest beneficiaries.

We are happy to be a resource! Any of our staff and board members would be happy to Skype in at one of your events to give an overview and answer any questions you or your friends might have. We also have a PowerPoint with photos available to show during an event that allows people to see where we work and who we work with. Just give us a heads up and we would be happy to be a part of your event. Email info@collateralrepairproject.org to get started, today!

Show Your Commitment: Become a Partner in Repair, Today!

We work with the most vulnerable urban refugees fleeing violence and armed conflict to guarantee they are given basic life necessities to ensure their survival. Success goes beyond just giving emergency assistance. When you become a Partner in Repair, CRP can provide beneficiaries with not only food but a community environment where they can nurture a safe and welcoming atmosphere. Your commitment to helping urban refugees will leave a lasting legacy of hope for thousands of people.

Show your commitment and benefit our work directly, sign up to become a **Partner in Repair**, our monthly donor program! Monthly giving is *crucial* to us at CRP, as it provides us with a predictable source of income. This means we will know exactly how much money will be available for monthly food vouchers, personal hygiene kits, fuel vouchers, and center activities. This kind of reliability is crucial as we operate on a shoe-string budget.

Sign up today: [Here](#)

About Us

Collateral Repair Project (CRP) was started in 2006 by two American women who wanted to establish an organization that allowed for a direct connection between citizens of coalition countries and innocent Iraqis who suffered from the consequences of war.

They decided to set up Collateral Repair Project in Amman, Jordan, where many refugees were relocating. Much of CRP's early work was charity related, but as the organization grew it ran numerous programs focusing on community building, education and emergency aid. Activities have greatly expanded over the years and CRP now serves Jordanians as well as Iraqis and other nationals fleeing their countries' violence, particularly Syrians who are part of the huge refugee influx into Jordan. Read [more](#) about us.

“To be called a refugee is the opposite of an insult; it is a badge of strength, courage, and victory.”

-Tennessee office of Refugees



Photo Credit: Sumaya Agha



CRP prides itself on our longstanding relationship with the local community. This is thanks in part to our diverse staff who understands the local culture, customs, and language.

Our commitment to serving the urban refugee community in Amman has earned us recognition in [National Geographic](#), [Huffington Post](#), and [Arab American Institute](#)

Our Programs

Where we work:

CRP operates in the low-income neighborhood of Hashmi Shamali, East Amman, Jordan, home to thousands of Iraqi and Syrian refugees and impoverished Jordanians. Since our founding in 2006, our organization has been a bedrock of support for the local and refugee populations residing here. Through our commitment to helping those in need and our outstanding relationships with our community, thanks in part to our local staff, CRP is able to help those in need quickly and confidently.

Family and Community Resource Center:

Our [Family Resource and Community Center](#) is at the heart of our community building work. It serves as a safe haven for refugees to begin rebuilding the social ties they have lost after fleeing their home countries. This vibrant center is run by refugees who want to give back to CRP and their community.

CRP is a place where members of the community come together to learn new skills, connect, and support each other, rebuild community, and heal. All of our community center programming is volunteer-led. Many classes, including [English](#), [Computer skills](#), [Yoga](#), and [Health and Wellness](#), are led by volunteers who are refugees or members of the local community.

CRP programs bring people together around shared interests. Our weekly [Dominoes Night](#) gives men an opportunity for recreation and social connection, an important step for many in rebuilding a sense of community



[Hope Workshop](#) is a women's craft collective that meets weekly at CRP to craft, chat and share strategies and technical expertise regarding new products and marketing opportunities.

Most of the people we serve have undergone trauma in their home countries and they are our utmost priority. [Trauma Release Exercise \(TRE\)](#) classes, [Health and Wellness classes](#) led by a local nurse and doctor which focus on diet, health and stress management, and [Yoga](#) classes for men and women are the core of our psycho-social wellness activities.

Emergency Assistance:

Our [Emergency Assistance Program](#) is the most crucial aspect of the work we do at CRP. It serves as a means for refugees who have lost everything to begin to live their lives with a dignity they have not had since fleeing their home countries of conflict. When refugees come to us, they have little more than the clothes on their backs and have been put on long wait lists at other big name organizations. We are their only hope for a stable future.

CRP carefully [assesses](#) individuals and families to ensure they meet our eligibility criteria for assistance. To verify eligibility, CRP conducts [home visits](#) and [interviews](#) with beneficiaries. The trust we have with our community to conduct such home visits is thanks to our amazing local staff whose communication skills and background knowledge are truly one of a kind.



The emergency assistance we offer is [monthly food vouchers](#), [personal hygiene kits](#), [fuel vouchers](#), [carpets](#), [blankets](#), [bedding](#), and [fans](#).



Thank You!

We hope that this guide will help you on your journey to help us help urban refugees in Amman. No effort is too small, you can make a difference! As always, we at CRP are happy to provide you with any assistance you may need. We cannot thank you enough for taking the time to read through our guide and consider helping us in our journey to help those who need it most.

Thank you!