

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE ACTION FOR
REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS**



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Dear All at Tresham Church,

Thank you so much for your donation of £212.55 towards the work of GARAS following the church's recent Christmas Carol Service.

GARAS works with people on the asylum seeker route to refugee status, as well as with those coming to Gloucestershire on one of the so-called Safe Routes, such as the Ukrainian and Afghan schemes, amongst others. We are delighted that a family recently arrived from Lebanon, having had their flights postponed several times due to the current conflict there. They left their home country of Syria many years ago, and have lived in refugee camps and other temporary places since that time. Having been given an original flight date that then was cancelled due to the situation, and having had several subsequent flights also postponed, we were very pleased to welcome them to Cheltenham earlier this month.

The Resettlement Team will work with this family to help them to settle into their new accommodation and their new community – with a lot of contact in the initial few weeks and months, tailing off as the family integrate into their new life.

Generosity such as yours, helps all of our clients to know that they are welcomed by the local community – which is such a helpful thing following the riots of the summer.

Yours gratefully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adele Owen".

Adele Owen
Director



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