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## STUDENT CHALLENGE

### HELP SUPPORT REFUGEES IN CLEVELAND

US Together, the refugee and immigrant resettlement and social service agency, is launching the peer-to-peer campaign to raise funds that will help newcomer refugees and immigrants while strengthening US Together's ability to serve Cleveland's refugee community. Our Goal is to raise \$10,000 this Fall fundraising season.

US Together is preparing to welcome more than 400 refugees in Cleveland this year. The majority of them have fled Afghanistan, others have been in refugee camps or walked treacherous roads to escape wars, violence and persecution in their countries of origin.

In America, refugees tremendously enrich our communities. By helping them in the beginning of their journey communities will later benefit from thriving refugee businesses, robust employment, consumer spending and creation of new jobs. Our former and current clients are business owners, farmers, tailors, artisans, scientists, engineers, teachers, and tireless entrepreneurs. All they need is just a helping hand in the beginning of their journey. Open your hearts and they will return the favor.

#### BY GIVING YOU RECEIVE!

To show our appreciation of refugees and to introduce them to welcoming communities, US Together is organizing the *Making Home Refugee and Immigrant Art Exhibition*. *Making Home* will feature three exciting events throughout the month of November at Current Gallery and will share the artwork of 10 local refugee and immigrant artists.

**US Together Student Fundraising Challenge** provides an opportunity for students to contribute to welcoming refugees and to increase UST capacity to serve them. *Involvement in professional activities, such as fundraising, will give you an opportunity for leadership development, create connections with our numerous community partners; and enhance the quality of your future applications or resume.* The goal of the Challenge is for each student group to raise at least \$250. All student groups who participate in this challenge and help us reach our goal, will be recognized at our Making Home Art exhibition event, between November 5 and November 19, 2021. The UST Director will acknowledge the accomplishments of each participant at our opening night event and present each participant with the Certificate of Appreciation.

Fundraising group organizers who reach platinum, gold or silver fundraising level will be recognized in the following way:

1. **Platinum Winner:** \$1,000 to \$1,500
  - UST provides a College Letter of Recommendation (for high schoolers) or recognition letter (for college students)
    - Certificate of Achievement signed by US Together, HIAS<sup>1</sup>, and Senator Sherrod Brown
    - Giftcard
2. **Gold Winner:** \$500 to \$999

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<sup>1</sup> HIAS is the global humanitarian refugee protection and resettlement agency



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- UST provides a College Letter of Recommendation (for high schoolers) or Recognition Letter (for college students)
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  - Gift card

**3. Silver Winner: \$250 to \$499**

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- Certificate of Achievement from US Together
- Giftcard