

2022 COMMUNITY EVENTS

ACE SHOPPE — One Thursday a month and by Appointment

The ACE Center provides lightly used clothing, household, hygiene and personal care items to assist New American Families. Community Members may select several items or a modest pre-assembled package for FREE. Registration is required visit on line at www.acefornewamericans.org to sign-up to participate.

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World Refugee Day 2022 — June 20th

This day is meant to recognize the adversities refugees face each year, while celebrating their courage and strength to overcome them. The event features guest speakers vocal performances, dance performances, ethnic foods and refreshments.

SAT Preparation Program — Mondays 1:00–3:00pm, June 27–July 25

Students take part in our SAT Preparation Program where students will work one-to-one with a tutor on individualized areas of need after completing an orientation.

Summer Work Help Sessions — Tuesdays 1:00-3:00pm, June 28-July 26

Students will receive assistance completing assigned summer work packets.

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7 vs. 7 Soccer Tournament — Saturday, July 16th & August 27th

Friendly soccer tournament. Registered teams should be comprised of refugees and/or immigrants from their ethnic community. Games to will be held at Cawley Stadium, 424 Douglas Road, Lowell, MA 01852. Prizes will be awarded.

6 vs. 6 Volleyball Tournament — Saturday, July 30th

Friendly volleyball tournament. Registered teams should be comprised of refugees and/or immigrants from their community. Games to will be held at Pailin Volleyball Court, Lowell, MA 01852. Prizes will be awarded.

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After School Drop In Program — Mondays & Wednesdays, 3:00–5:00pm

The after school drop-in program is for students 9-18 years of age during the regular school year. The first hour of each meeting will be dedicated to homework and academic enrichment. The second hour will include social activities for those who have completed their homework. Refreshments and nutritious snacks are available.

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Post High School Preparation Program - 3:00-5:00pm

High school students are invited to explore options for post-graduation life including college, university, trades, business, military service and more. Students will be encouraged to set goals and develop plans to meet them. This program will also cover life skills such as budgeting, time management, and living with a roommate. Students will meet one Thursday a month. Space is limited to the first 12 students registered.

Instructional Learning Program - Monday & Wednesday 4:00-5:45pm

Classes such as "Messy Science," "Fun with Math," and "Exciting Stories" for children 6–8 years old. Each class will meet once a week for six weeks. Snacks will be available. New classes will be offered every six weeks. Students must be signed in and out of the program by a parent, a parent designated adult, or a sibling 14 years of age or older.

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Immigration Legal Assistance (Monthly)

An immigration attorney and accredited representatives will be available on the second Tuesday of each month to assist with solving immigration problems and to answer questions about immigration forms and processes.

Family Festival — Saturday, September 17th, 4:00-6:30pm

This will be an outdoor event for our ACE Community. There will be a bouncy house, games, crafts, food, drinks and fun for the entire family. Mark your calendar and watch your email or visit www.acefornewamericans.org for details coming later this summer.

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School Supply Distribution

Backpacks with school supplies will be distributed to students from the refugee and immigrant communities. Students must be registered in advance to participate.

Citizenship Course

In this comprehensive two-day workshop, our Executive Director Mar Imsong, who is an Accredited Representative for immigration, will walk participants through the steps of gaining US Citizenship. Following completion of the class, students will be offered one-on-one assistance in finishing the process.

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Gala and Silent Auction — Saturday, November 5th, 6:00–9:30pm

This event is held each year to raise funds to support the ACE Center for New Americans programs and recognize its supporters. It was a chance to commune and enjoy an evening of food, fun and entertainment. Guests dine on a menu of ethnically diverse foods while being and being entertained. Concurrently, participants perused offerings in the silent auction and gift card raffles.

New American Christmas Party

An afternoon of holiday cheer and a visit from Santa Claus. Volunteers prepair a hand-picked bag of items personalized for each man, woman, and child within a family. Bags contain a set of towels, hygienic items, winter apparel (hat, mittens, or scarf) along with other items, including but not limited to, blankets, toys, games, new clothing, footwear and more. Registration is required to participate.

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