



Relife **nw**
Flourishing Beyond Resettlement

STORIES OF PROGRESS

2026 Mid-year Report



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THE LAST 6 MONTHS

Over the past six months, Relife NW has continued walking alongside refugee women and their families as they settle into life in the U.S. This season has been marked by steady progress, growing relationships, and meaningful steps forward. It has been busy! The families are learning English, exploring new opportunities, strengthening their homes, and building a deeper sense of belonging in their new communities.



Direct Family Support

Your partnership enabled Relife NW to continue providing high-quality, individualized support to refugee families through mentoring, ESL support, transportation assistance, healthcare navigation, employment coaching, business coaching, and practical life assistance. During this period, we provided more than 109 hours of direct and indirect family support, helping families grow in confidence, develop practical skills, and build meaningful connections as they work toward stability and long-term flourishing in their new communities.

Families continue to adapt well to life in the United States. While uncertainty in the broader immigration landscape remains a source of concern, the families we serve are steadily moving forward. They are working hard, raising their children, learning English, and building stability for the future. Over time, many have moved beyond immediate survival needs and are beginning to think more intentionally about long-term goals and opportunities.





ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT & FUTURE PLANNING

A meaningful area of growth this season has been economic empowerment. Three families are now exploring small business opportunities, including a restaurant concept, security services, and real estate. Relife NW has walked alongside them through coaching, mentorship, and practical guidance, including research on licensing requirements, business structures, training pathways, and other resources needed to help them take next steps with confidence. We have certainly learned a lot about setting up small businesses.

Language development remains central to long-term opportunities (jobs, friends, community). Most individuals served are currently participating in ESL programs ranging from Level 1 to Level 5 (with Level 8 generally required for technical school or university-level study). While English acquisition is a long journey, families continue making steady progress toward independence and expanded opportunity.



OUR MISSION

Relife NW serves refugee women and their families so they can flourish beyond resettlement through mentorship, coaching, and skills-building, rooted in the love of Christ.

IT TAKES TIME

One participant is also receiving ongoing driving instruction and support as she works toward obtaining her driver's license. While the process has taken time (more than expected) and is still ongoing, it has created meaningful space for relationship-building, mentoring, and vocational exploration.

Together, we have discussed potential future pathways in healthcare-related fields such as medical assisting, interpreting, and other roles that align with her previous experience as a midwife in Afghanistan.



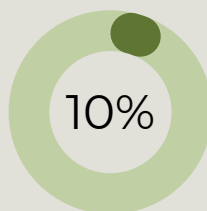
We have also been privileged to share in meaningful family milestones. One family hosted a large celebration after receiving U.S. citizenship, while another welcomed us into their home for a birthday gathering filled with Afghan hospitality, food, and traditional dancing. During that celebration, Naomi and her daughter were even invited to learn Afghan dancing, a joyful and unforgettable moment of cultural exchange and connection. They looked a bit awkward, but had huge smiles on their faces!

RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

Beyond practical support, your partnership has helped create space for deepening relationships and cultural exchange. One family with four children was introduced to games using dominos and dice, which became opportunities to practice English, learn cultural rhythms, build problem-solving skills, and simply enjoy being together as a family.



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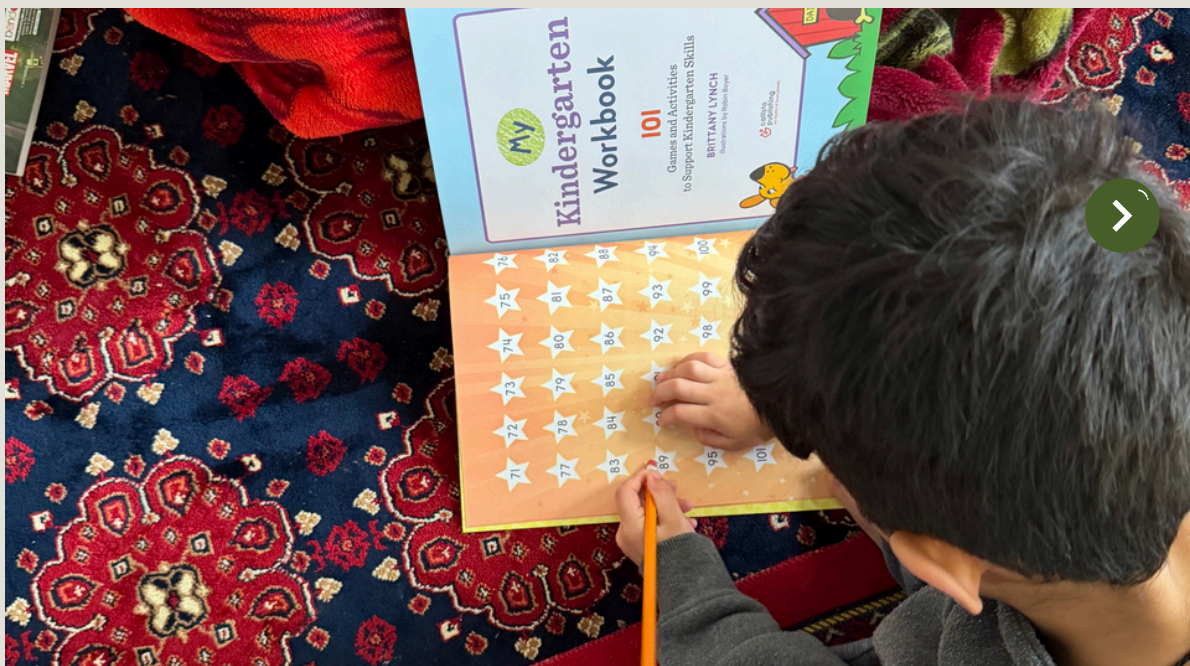


Dollars spent on administrative costs

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PRAYER, DISCIPLESHIP & SPIRITUAL CARE

A significant focus of this season has been strengthening a “Community of Support” around refugee families. Through ministry partner coaching, church engagement, and community collaboration, we invested more than 20 hours equipping churches, volunteers, and partners to serve effectively, including disciple-making training that integrates both practical care and spiritual formation.

During this time, we connected with four churches to explore partnership opportunities. While these relationships are still developing, they represent important future capacity for expanded refugee support.

Through this growing network of partners, Relife NW is now indirectly supporting an additional five refugee families beyond those served directly. This brings the total number of families impacted to nine.

Prayer, Discipleship & Spiritual Care

A dedicated rhythm of prayer has also taken shape, including a monthly prayer gathering for those serving refugees or interested in getting involved. This has created a growing network of encouragement, support, and intercession for both families and those walking alongside them.

We are also partnering with a ministry leader supporting a Kurdish family who has chosen to follow Jesus. Together, we are developing a Discovery Bible Study group with the long-term vision of discipleship and, as God leads, potential church planting. This reflects the heart of Relife NW to support both the practical and spiritual flourishing of refugee families.

Looking Ahead

Overall, your partnership has enabled Relife NW to provide consistent, high-touch support to four refugee families while also expanding reach, relationships, and long-term capacity. Families are gaining confidence, building skills, pursuing economic opportunities, and deepening community connections.

At the same time, Relife NW is continuing to strengthen its volunteer base, church partnerships, and ministry infrastructure to ensure that refugee women and their families can continue to flourish through relational care, practical support, and a growing community of people who walk alongside them with love and consistency.

From Naomi Federiuk

Every time I am out doing driving lessons, sitting around a table playing games, helping with English practice, or stepping into another family milestone, it truly feels like you are right there with me, cheering me on and helping make these moments possible.

Your partnership is not distant; it is present in the everyday steps of progress and growth. I am honored to continue this journey with you and look forward to what God will continue to do through these relationships in the months ahead.



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