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# African Community Volunteer Sites

#### Africa Faith and Justice Network

The Africa Faith and Justice Network (AFJN) advocates for responsible U.S. relations with Africa. AFJN stresses issues of peace building, human rights and social justice that tie directly into Catholic Social Teaching. AFJN advocates for USA policies that will benefit Africa's poor majority, facilitate an end to armed conflict, establish equitable trade and investment with Africa and promote sustainable development.

**Contact:** (202) 817-3670 /www.afjn.org

3025 4th Street NE Suite 122, Washington, DC 20017

#### African Immigrant and Refugee Foundation

The African Immigrant and Refugee Foundation assists Africans who come to the United States by supporting their cultural, linguistic, employment, and mental health needs through counseling, survival skills training, African cultural awareness education, and cultural competence training for care givers.

Contact: (301) 593-0241/ volunteer@airfound.org / www.airfound.org

11350 Baroque Road, #100 Silver Spring, Maryland 20901

#### African Wildlife Foundation

The African Wildlife Foundation (AWF) is the leading international conservation organization focused solely on Africa. AWF works to conserve land, protect species and empower people by training and conservation professionals and working to improve livelihoods while conserving wildlife.

Contact: (202) 939-3333/africanwildlife@awf.org/www.awf.org

1100 New Jersey Ave SE Suite 900, Washington, DC 20003

## Africare, Inc.

Africare is dedicated to improving the quality of life in rural Africa through the development of water resources, increased food production, health services, and refugee assistance. The organization currently operates more than 220 programs, including many development education programs in the United States

Contact: (202) 462-3614 / info@africare.org / www.africare.org

440 R St. NW, Washington, DC 20001

#### The Ark Foundation of Africa

ARK strives to serve all East African children facing a daily struggle to survive by emphasizing education and self-sufficiency. By sharing information and training individuals and groups, ARK encourages communities to support themselves and to share their experiences and successes with others. To foster dignity and self-reliance, ARK and its program partners provide a range of comprehensive services, including: family counseling, financial support for grandparents caring for orphans and other vulnerable children, health education, nutrition information, food assistance, academic support and job training.

**Contact:** (202) 832-5420 / www.arkafrica.org /

1002 Maryland Ave NE, Washington DC 20002

# Arlington Academy of Hope (AAH)

AAH is a volunteer, non-profit organization based in the United States that helps children in rural Uganda to reach their full potential. By creating model schools and clinics, AAH provides education and healthcare programs, local development opportunities, and community outreach to improve the quality of life and transform poor villages into self-sustaining communities.

Contact: Cortney Kamin/(703)879-6034 /courtney@aahuganda.org/aahuganda.org

3100 Clarendon Blvd, Arlington, VA 22201

## Corporate Council on Africa

The Corporate Council on Africa (CCA), works to strengthen and facilitate the commercial relationship between the United States and the African continent. CCA works closely with governments, multilateral groups and business to improve the African continent's trade and investment climate, and to raise the profile of Africa in the US business community.

Contact: (202) 835-1115/cca@africacncl.org/corporatecouncilonafrica.com/

1100 17th St NW Suite 1200, Washington DC 20036

# Ethiopian Community Development Council, Inc. (ECDC)

ECDC has been serving refugees and immigrants from diverse cultural backgrounds while maintaining a focus on African newcomers. ECDC has a proven track record of developing and implementing culturally sensitive and linguistically appropriate socio-economic development programs and services that respond to the changing needs of African and other newcomers.

**Contact:** volunteer@ecdcinternational.org / (703) 685-0510 / www.ecdcus.org /

901 S. Highland St., Arlington, VA 22204

#### Fihankra Akoma Ntoaso (FAN)

FAN's goal is to bring a Positive Youth Development perspective to DC youth in foster care that provides young people with formal and informal opportunities to nurture their interests and talents, acquire new skills, and gain a sense of personal and group recognition in an atmosphere of hope.

Contact: (202) 380 9390 / info@fan-dc.org / www.fan-dc.org /

2815 Stanton Rd SE, Washington, DC 20020

## Institute for East African Councils on Higher Education (IEA Councils)

IEA Councils is a nonprofit group that works with high school students of East African heritage who are immigrants or the children of immigrants. IEA Councils is a strong advocate of educational access and persistence, and delegates appropriate representatives at our sites to ensure proper guidance, support and resources. The importance of education at IEA Councils is exemplified by the culturally personalized assistance we provide to ensure that East-African communities residing in the United States cultivate their full potential.

Contact: info@ieacouncils.org/ (202) 9976684/ www.ieacouncils.org /

3636 16th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20010

#### Refugee Council U.S.A.

A coalition of U.S. nongovernmental organizations focused on refugee protection, Refugee Council USA provides advocacy on issues affecting the protection and rights of refugees and displaced persons in the United States and worldwide. Focusing on adherence to international standards of refugee rights, promotion of the right to asylum, political and financial support for UNHCR, and promotion of durable solutions, including resettlement to the United States.

Contact: Sarah Seniuk/ sseniuk@rcusa.org/ www.rcusa.org/

1628 16th St NW, Washington, DC 20009

# Refugees International

Refugees International generates lifesaving humanitarian assistance and protection for displaced people around the world and works to end the conditions that create displacement. If offers unpaid internships throughout the year for those seeking work experience in the humanitarian field. The opportunity exists to gain experience in congressional and governmental, advocacy, communications, development, research, peacekeeping, or a general internship.

Contact: www.refugeesinternational.org / ri@refugeesinternational.org / (202) 828-0110 /

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