

# OUR MISSION

is  
to Love & Care

For those seeking refuge  
from war-torn countries



- WITH THE HEART OF JESUS -

# Oasis International

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## Red Cross Certification

We were blessed to have Lisa Davis train our staff on First Aid, CPR and AED. We are all now certified through the Red Cross. Lisa has been our intern over the summer. She is getting her degree in Emergency Management. She has written an Emergency Operations Plan for Oasis International, giving us a plan for Medical Emergency, Evacuation, Severe Weather/Tornado Sheltering, Shelter-In-Place and Lockdown. We are so blessed to have her answer so many questions about our preparedness of any of these problems that may occur. Thank you so much Lisa.



## Hebrews

13:1-2

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

## A NEW SCHOOL YEAR!



We are so blessed by these wonderful people who are going to be a part of our ELL program this year! We have 54 students from 11 countries in 5 levels of English and one citizenship class. These classes meet twice a week. We love our students and pray that they will learn English and build relationships with their teachers and child care workers. We have 31 teachers and 16 child care workers; some teach on Tuesday and some on Thursday. We are

so blessed to have most of our teachers and child care workers picking up our students and their children.

This is definitely the "extra mile" ministry. Our volunteers literally drive 1,779 miles to and from their homes each week and then drive through St. Louis to pick up their students. That is love, dedication and compassion for the students who are mainly moms with babies and toddlers who would normally stay home and not be able to get out of their homes, be with other people and learn English.

## Hayden Stephens-Eagle Scout



Hayden Stephens is a remarkable young man. He learned to speak Arabic when his family lived in Saudi Arabia. When his family moved to St. Louis he wanted to use his Arabic and his love for soccer. As his Eagle Scout Project, he chose to do a Soccer Camp for refugee children. He also wanted to make sure every player received a soccer ball at the end of the camp. Soccer balls were donated and given to each player. Hayden chose to go to one of the roughest areas of St. Louis to give these refugee children a fun day.



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For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command:

“Love your neighbor as yourself.” Galatians 5:14

## Winter is Coming!

It may be hard to think about now with the heat wave we've been having, but winter is right around the corner. Refugees really struggle in the winter time without the right clothes and ample home-heating. Please look through your closets for any gently used coats, gloves, hats, scarves, blankets (not throws) or other warm clothing that could be donated. Invite your church to do a coat drive. Raise money with your bible study to purchase a space heater to donate. We need as much support as possible to clothe and warm our refugee families! To the right is a photo of the space heaters we would like to bless our refugees with and a link to the Sear's website where they can be purchased. We thank you in advance for your support and work to love the refugees of St. Louis.



<http://ow.ly/rjNG30e5sud>

*'Truly I tell you,  
whatever you  
did for one of  
the least of  
these brothers  
and sisters of  
mine, you did  
for me.*

*Matthew 25:40*



We are in need of a toolbox. If you have one to donate or would like to buy us one we would greatly appreciate it. We are praying that God will provide, and we trust that He will!