

ADRA Finland – Migrant Crisis
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Brief Summary	Activities over next three months	Capacity to respond	Funding opportunities
<p>Finland expects to receive about 15 000 asylum seekers this year. This is the official estimation, but the figure might rise even to 30 000-40 000.</p> <p>ADRA Finland together with the FINUC office have send directions to all our pastors and church workers as how to respond and to make contact to the local state owned migration centers.</p> <p>We have encouraged every church to respond locally and to network with the authorities and other actors.</p> <p>We are working closely withe the Helsinki pastoral team. We send a letter to one central reception centre offering accommodation and second hand clothes to the centre and further assistance they may need.</p> <p>There is also the possibility of using the church premises to organise education and get-togethers etc.</p> <p>We took part of the Helsinki Christian churches video campaign "Welcoming refugees to Helsinki". See the link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X6fXSGxyZL0</p>	<p>We are organising integration activities in Helsinki as part of our Compass program language teaching, multicultural discussion group, co-operating with the so called " Let's read together" network which supports immigrant women in integrating Finnish society.</p> <p>Finnish women volunteers offer tuition in literacy and the Finnish language to immigrant women. One group is gathering in SDA international church in Helsinki.</p> <p>We are organising an offering in FINUC churches in September and October to help the network appeal for Serbia.</p> <p>We are finalising our study " Stranger in Helsinki - baseline study of the role of</p>	<p>ADRA Finland staff (2) and church volunteers (SDA and others) + some active pastors.</p>	<p>Church offerings Door to door ingathering (Sympatia) Private donations</p>

	<p>authorities, NGO's and churches in supporting the most vulnerable immigrants in Helsinki. Do the support services meet the needs" The study will be published in the late autumn and will direct the different actors to better coordination, cooperation and resource allocation.</p> <p>ADRA Finland continues its efforts to open an info centre for vulnerable immigrants in cooperation with the other organisations. Searching for the necessary funding.</p>		
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