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Thank you to all who made the Welcome Baskets and Bins a success!

For the first six months of our Year of Mercy, the SC family generously donated bedroom baskets, home baskets and cleaning bins with much needed items for our new refugee neighbors.

Catholic Charities of Southwestern Ohio (CCSWO) collected two and a half truckloads of these items! Since CCSWO will be resettling approximately 300 refugees in Cincinnati this year, these items were greatly appreciated.

OPJCC was the holding area for the donations. Forty-four overflowing baskets and bins full of bedding, cleaning supplies and household items were received. Additional items included a plethora of pillows, blankets, and personal hygiene items, as well as storage bins, lamps, tables, chairs, cookware of all types, a cot, a TV, a dinette set, and a desk.

Monetary donations were also made and were sent to CCSWO's Refugee Resettlement Services to buy any items needed to complete the set-up of households for incoming refugee families.

Again, thank you to all who donated. Your generosity has touched the lives of our sisters and brothers who now call Cincinnati their home.

Peace,

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