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Catholic Charities Atlanta receives a 3-year grant to support Refugee Youth Services

ATLANTA, GA (July 2023)-Catholic Charities Atlanta (CCA) announces the expansion of services within their Refugee Youth Services programs. The current myriad of refugee programming supports families as they integrate into their new communities and become self-sufficient. Youth services include an elementary-based After-School Program and a Mentoring Program for children and young adults. Additionally, CCA provides wraparound support to their families to address challenges and grow resilience. These two programs provide a stairway for children who enter the U.S. at a young age to develop critical skills, graduate high school, and go on to realize their dreams as adults.

CCA is able to add three minibuses to its fleet to improve children's access to programming as well as provide opportunities to that will provide transportation assistance to give youths opportunities to get to and from activities such as college visits, water safety classes, cultural experiences, and mentoring outings.

The final portion of the grant will add capacity through CCA's database, adjusting workflows and processes, and improving functionality and report capability. This will maximize the amount of time staff can spend with the children, but also pull-out meaningful data that can be better utilized.

"With this generous gift from the The Goizueta Foundation, CCA continues their commitment to helping refugee youth successfully integrate into their new lives in Metro Atlanta. Building on CCA's program support, youth create bi-cultural identities and achieve academic, social, and emotional goals, which put them on a trajectory for self-sufficient adulthood." states CEO, Vanessa Russell.

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Catholic Charities Atlanta provides transformative services that enable families to overcome barriers and achieve self-sufficiency.

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