WHAT DOES SANCTUARY LOOK LIKE TODAY

A public commitment to be in solidarity with immigrants, migrants, and refugees to unite for collective liberation

1 ADVOCACY & PUBLIC WITNESS

Advocate for policies that end detention and deportation and promote their full dignity and integration into our local communities.

Engage in local public actions to shift public discourse towards immigrants, Muslims, and refugees, and bring attention to our responsibility to address root causes.

2 ACCOMPANIMENT

Individuals and congregations can provide short or longer term support to immigrants in urgent situations and need of accompaniment. This can include newly arrived migrant families, unaccompanied minors, people facing deportation crisis, those just released from detention centers.

Trained volunteers can help to provide courtroom accompaniment, access to services, translation, rides and concrete and emotional support to help those in a period of crisis.

3 CONGREGATIONAL HOUSING

Short-term respite housing for someone recently released from immigration detention.

Housing for a newly arrived immigrant family seeking asylum.

Depending on the case, housing hospitality could be in the private home of a congregation member, or on congregational property.

4 FREEDOM CAMPAIGNS

Support the public campaigns of individual immigrants fighting to get released from detention.

Connect with targeted communities to help develop relationship and networks of protection.
JOIN OUR MOVEMENT

ACCOMPANIMENT PROGRAMS

- Nueva Esperanza for the newly arrived immigrant
- Freedom Campaigns for individuals in detention
- A Su Lado single-day actions of public witness at court hearings
- Friends Afuera writing letters to the detained

SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship is a commitment to provide housing and food for up to 6 months to a year, post-release from detention.

REGIONAL COALITIONS

- East Bay Interfaith Immigration Coalition
- San Francisco Interfaith Coalition on Immigration
- Peninsula Interfaith Coalition on Immigration
- Multi-faith Immigration Coalition for Action in Contra Costa County

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