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ARISE! UKRAINE AND SIOUX FALLS FIRST TO HOST A CLOTHING DRIVE

A 2nd Clothing Drive To Aid Thousands of Ukrainian Refugees

SIOUX FALLS SD--Thousands of Ukrainians are displaced from their homes without the nescessary clothing and shoes many of us often take for granted. Sioux Falls First of Sioux Falls, South Dakota and Arise! Ukraine, a nonprofit dedicated to reaching Ukraine with the gospel, will be hosting a clothing drive to collect gently used clothing for adults and children. Please drop off all types of clothing, shoes, bedding and monetary donations at Sioux Falls First on Friday, September 11th from 5-8 p.m. and Saturday, September 12th from 9 a.m. to 3 pm.

"Although, our nation has been hearing less and less about the situation in Ukraine, it does not diminsh the fact that Ukraine is still facing great opposition and growing poverty among its people. Being a nation of plenty, we are called to support those in need." said Ashley VanWyhe the Communications and Development Director of Arise! Ukraine.

This is not Arise! Ukraine's first clothing drive. Last October, 645 boxes of warm clothing, shoes, and bedding were packed and shipped to Ukraine and the people who received them were grateful.

Paul Logan, Missionary and CEO of Arise! Ukraine, stated,"The gratitude among these people runs very deep. Many are simply living hand-to-mouth, unable to move from the conflict zone for various reasons. They are especially grateful for the high quality of goods that were sent."

Arise! Ukraine and Sioux Falls First hope to double the number of donations for this clothing drive.

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Arise! Ukraine is a South Dakota 501©(3) non-profit that desires to minister the love and salvation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the United States and abroad through the preaching and teaching of God's Word while assisting the poor and disadvantaged with his mercy."