

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE ACTION FOR
REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS**



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Dear To all at Tresham Church ,

Thank you so much for the amazing gift of £125.50 that you sent to GARAS as a gift. We really appreciate all the amazing support that we receive from Individuals, churches and groups across Gloucestershire. I can't express how much it means to us.

The financial gifts we receive make such a difference to people, often in very practical ways. For instance For example we now have asylum seekers living in Cheltenham who need to get to Gloucester sometimes for support. When you are living on only £37 a week the cost of the bus is expensive so being able to assist with the bus fare is possible because of gifts such as yours. To have this flexibility, as much of our grant funding can not be used this way, makes gifts like this very important, thank you. Just yesterday we met a new client who had arrived here with nothing and needs to go straight to Croydon, your gift means we could help him get there.

I hope you had the opportunity to visit the Light Installation at Gloucester Cathedral during the last few weeks. That was the finale for our 20th Birthday celebrations. It has been an amazing opportunity to look back at what we have achieved and to look forward into the future with the hope that while we are still needed we will still be here!



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Each year will bring its own challenges and 2020 will be no different, so gifts like yours make an enormous difference and help us to make a real difference and face the coming year uplifted by your generosity.

We have also now received over 320 Syrians into Gloucestershire on the Resettlement Scheme. All this along with the challenges of lives broken by their experiences is why it is so important to be able to keep going and we are grateful to all our donors who help us and encourage us through their donations.

Our website (www.garas.org.uk) has up-to date information of our work and suggestions of what people can do to help in different ways. This will be updated with our new address as soon as possible as will our blog, which responds to events and relevant issues, and can also be accessed on our website.

Yours gratefully

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