WRAP Programs

Children’s group
Ages 5-12 years old - trips to local museums, science fairs, and other community based activities

Youth group
Ages 12-19 years old - meets weekly or biweekly, peer leadership and mentoring, also community activities

Education Program
Weekly in-person and remote educational programming, advocate for children in public schools, partner with area colleges and universities for tutoring, and college application assistance

Mentoring Program
Medical, nursing, graduate, and undergraduate students are paired with a refugee teen, to benefit both teens and mentors with mutual learning and relationship building

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WRAP is a community-based “network of individuals committed to assisting refugees and resettled migrants achieve sustainable self-reliance through mentoring, advocacy, and educational assistance.”

WRAP primarily serves Burmese refugees and the newly arrived Afghan refugees in the Worcester Area. Leadership of WRAP lives in the community and has lived experience with the process of migration.

They work alongside and collaborate with many other entities in the Worcester area, including colleges and universities, in both the graduate and undergraduate programs.

Through a variety of programs, including those for youth which are highlighted in the next panel, refugees and resettled migrants are offered support and care in a culturally sensitive and kind way.

See the panel on the right to find out how WRAP aligns with System of Care values and principles.

What is WRAP?

WRAP aligns with System of Care values and principles

Cultural competency
WRAP is staffed primarily by people with lived experience as migrants or refugees, and so the program is inherently culturally competent. Even more, it promotes cultural competence in the Worcester community through the mentoring program, where the mentees are mentored, but at the same time the mentors are learning about their mentee’s culture and life.

Community based
WRAP is primarily staffed by people who live in the community of the persons served. The activities supported by WRAP are all based in the community.

Strengths-based care
The activities of the children’s group and youth group are meant to foster interest and growth for these kids, drawing on their interests and new experiences.

Prevention/Early Intervention
By connecting these children both with each other and with the community at large, WRAP plays a large role in providing places where, if a child is struggling, they will be noticed. Also by connecting them with a community, they help provide a barrier against the inherent mental struggles associated with entirely new surroundings, a new culture, and new experiences.

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Transition age supports
WRAP has services in place to assist college-aged youth with the application process, college prep, and with scholarship assistance. They also have bi-monthly discussion groups for college students to discuss their experiences and struggles.

Services are individualized
WRAP has services specific to each age range, and also strives to pair mentors with mentees of similar interests.

References:

How WRAP aligns with System of Care values and principles

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