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## The End of (Week of) Welcome + I'm hiring.

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### The End of (Week of) Welcome.

There are 65.6M people currently forced from their homes - The largest number in recorded history. They live with uncertainty and insecurity every single day, not just on a recognized day in late June. Representing 1 in 113 humans on the planet, this is not an issue that is going away and the numbers are growing constantly... or to put it in 'social' terms: *Every minute 24 people are forced from their homes. By 2037, it will be one per second.*

For those who have spent years and years fleeing persecution and war, your new community should feel like... a community. That happens when the people around you make you feel welcome. It is not one them, it is on us - the welcomers. The bare minimum we can do is to be the first to put out a hand and say hello. This is why a small group of friends created the Welcome Party and the first ever week of welcome.

This week thousands of people have been organizing and attending tea talks about refugees or action dinners. With 36 hours to go, now is your last chance to get involved.

1. Attend a 20 minute tea or an action dinner as part of the [Week of Welcome](#). If everyone who read this, [downloaded this toolkit](#) and met 2 friends in a coffee shop this weekend- we'd have over 50,000 people talking about welcoming recent arrivals.
2. Go to [Airbnb Open Homes platform](#) to list your home to shelter a family in need, be it a [refugee](#) or [evacuee](#), with temporary accommodation or [share a supper with a recently resettled family](#). (coordinated by Airbnb and the International Rescue Committee)
3. Download a pre-written letter and sign up to support a refugee in your neighborhood. Just [download it here](#), print it out, sign and mail it to a local resettlement organization near you.
4. Tweet, facebook share or inspire others with a social post from the heart. Something like: *Refugees are our new neighbors. Let's meet and find ways to make them feel more welcome* [www.weekofwelcome.org](http://www.weekofwelcome.org)

Want to get involved? Email [hithere@weekofwelcome.org](mailto:hithere@weekofwelcome.org)

Adapted from < <https://www.facebook.com/notes/cameron-sinclair/lets-not-treat-world-refugee-day-like-valentines-day-for-the-displaced/1908934172695417/>>

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**2700 Syrian children now attending Re:Build School**

In November 2013 the [Small Works](#) team (Pouya and I) began working in collaboration with the [Building Peace Foundation](#) and a number of international organization to [design, develop and construct re-deployable schools for refugees on the Syria-Jordan border](#). Every day 2,700 children are being taught in these schools and on World Refugee Day 2017 we are pleased to announce the building of our 10th school in the Za'atari Refugee Camp.

From Re:Build to Otra Nation, want to get involved? Email [c asinclair@me.com](mailto:casinclair@me.com)

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### **Airbnb Human is hiring**

Our team is looking for the following

#### *Program specific consultant*

**Structural/Mechanical Engineer:** West Coast based structural or mechanical engineer with experience in pre-manufactured or large scale industrial design.

Available: Immediately

#### *Full Time or one year consultant*

#### **Community Engagement, program lead:**

Help focus on breaking down bias and create community.

#### **Livelihoods Development, program lead:**

Develop hyper-local opportunities in remote or austere environments.

#### **Transitional Housing, program lead:**

Help recruit homeowners to open their homes to communities in need.

Interested? Email [cameron@airbnb.com](mailto:cameron@airbnb.com)

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### **Week of Welcome by the numbers:**

1900 people have attended or hosted events

300 refugees or former refugees have been involved

80 community led events

18 company led events

15 countries participating

4 refugee settlements participated (in France, Greece, Jordan and Uganda)

**1 day left**

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### **Upcoming Travel**

June 28/30 UK

July 1/9 Greece

July 10/21 Spain

July 22/24 UK

July 25/31 Mongolia

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