



***MATCHING OPPORTUNITY FOR CHURCHES TO DOUBLE THEIR IMPACT IN HELPING REFUGEE AND IMMIGRANT GIRLS CREATE A BETTER FUTURE***

**Old First Presbyterian Church** believes so strongly in a program that is helping refugee and other immigrant girls in Oakland that the church is matching dollar-for-dollar other congregations' gifts to support the program.

The Vision Project program empowers middle school and high school girls by giving them the skills and support they need to

envison their futures in America and redefine what they and their families and communities thought possible for them. The Vision Project is a program of the **International Rescue Committee in Northern California (IRC)**, part of one of the world's leading refugee aid and resettlement agencies. **Charity Navigator** has awarded the IRC fourteen consecutive 4-star ratings. The IRC in Northern California launched the Vision Project for refugee girls in 2017.

The matching gift offer applies to contributions made directly to the IRC by check and sent to its Oakland office with the Vision Project designated on the memo line:

International Rescue Committee  
 Attn: Stephanie Heckman  
 440 Grand Avenue, Suite 500  
 Oakland, CA 94610

Five churches in our Presbytery have participated so far! The IRC will gladly accept gifts of any amount. Old First will match gifts dollar-for-dollar up to \$500 per congregation and an overall total of \$5,000. To request a match, send Old First a copy of the IRC's thank-you letter acknowledging your church's gift. Act quickly because your match request must be received by November 1, 2019. For more information or to request a match, please contact Bill Campbell at (415) 599 0206 or [williamfcampbell@comcast.net](mailto:williamfcampbell@comcast.net).

