

2017 HEROES OF COMPASSION



Mosaic Ministries of South Toledo, David & Kelly Kaiser



Mosaic Ministries is bringing life to South Toledo by fulfilling the physical and emotional needs of the poorest of poor. They offer a 10-week class called Baby University for parents of young children. In this class, parents are given the tools needed to raise the next generation on a solid foundation. Mosaic Ministries provides extra hands for child care and meal prep/serving.

Breakfasts and lunches are provided regularly throughout the week. In addition, dinner is provided twice a week and a partnership has been established with another church to provide dinner on two other nights of the week. Programs are provided for all ages, including children, youth, and adults

Shane & Lona Lakatos, Social Services for the Arab Community



Shane and Lona Lakatos responded to God's call to build bridges connecting the largest per capita Arab community in Ohio (metro Toledo) with sorely needed resources across a broad spectrum and wide divide of community organizations and government entities. Their selfless work continues to demonstrate the love and compassion of their Lord through serving the Arab community without any conditions or expectations. In a time filled with fear for immigrants new to this country, the Lakatos and their work provide the gift of non-anxious presence, accurate information, truly helpful connections with resources and a passion for peaceful justice.

Eugenio Mollo, Immigrant Advocacy Project



Eugenio Mollo has been a tireless advocate and lawyer for immigrants and farm workers for years. In recent years, he has been the managing attorney for ABLE's Immigrant Advocacy Project that is servicing immigrants and refugees including undocumented immigrants and immigrants that need assistance with immigration relief and know your rights. He has also spent countless hours as a leader and champion for Welcome Toledo-Lucas County. He is our current Co-Chair, is the Co-Chair of our Legal Services Committee, and helps drive the direction of the initiative. We definitely wouldn't be where we are without Eugenio, he is smart, strategic, highly-knowledgeable, collaborative, and of course, compassionate.