

# A Chance to Help an At-Risk Afghan Family Move to Safety in NH

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# Hazaras in Afghanistan

- A State-less, Persecuted Shiite Minority
- Descendants of Genghis Khan Mongols
- Physically Distinct
- Educate Girls and Women
- Most Frequent Civilian Targets of Violence

# Before the explosion



After the explosion

Hazara schools and mosques being bombed





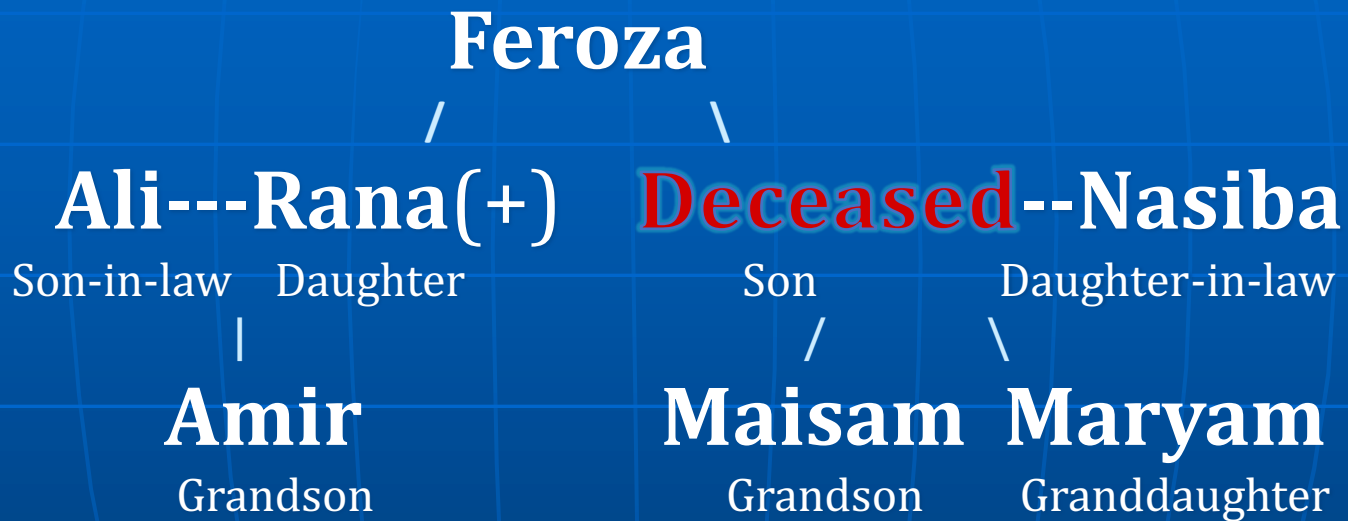
**Mari Abad, Quetta**



# Hazaras in Mariabad, Quetta

- Live in an Overcrowded Enclave
- Live at Great Risk
- Surrounded by:
  - ISIS
  - Al Qaeda
  - Pakistani and Afghan Taliban
  - Many Who Believe They Will Go to Heaven if They Kill Seven Hazaras

# The Family





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- Have Refugee-Seeking Status with UNHCR
- Have no ID Cards that would enable them to:
  - Have Bank Accounts
  - Receive Money Transfers
  - Use Intercity Transportation
  - Buy Cellphone SIM Cards
  - Pursue Higher Education
  - Get Vaccinated
  - Vote
- All but Feroza Are Being Tutored in English



**Feroza, Maisam, and baby Amir (~2018)**





**Rana and Nasiba with Amir (~2019)**

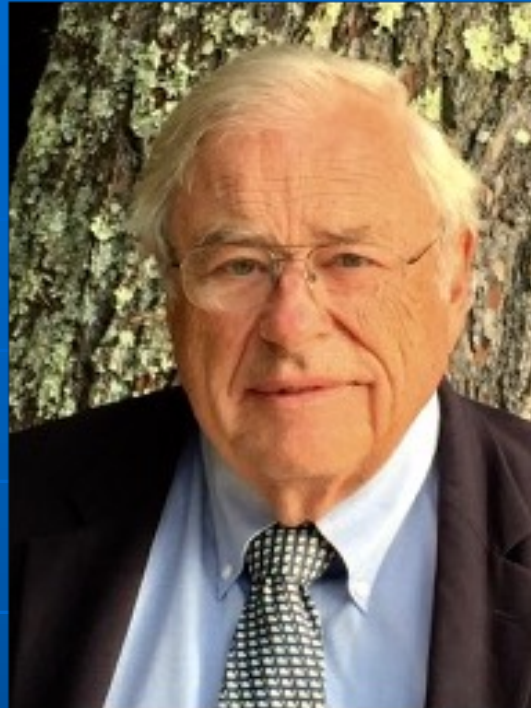


**Ali (~23 yrs old)**



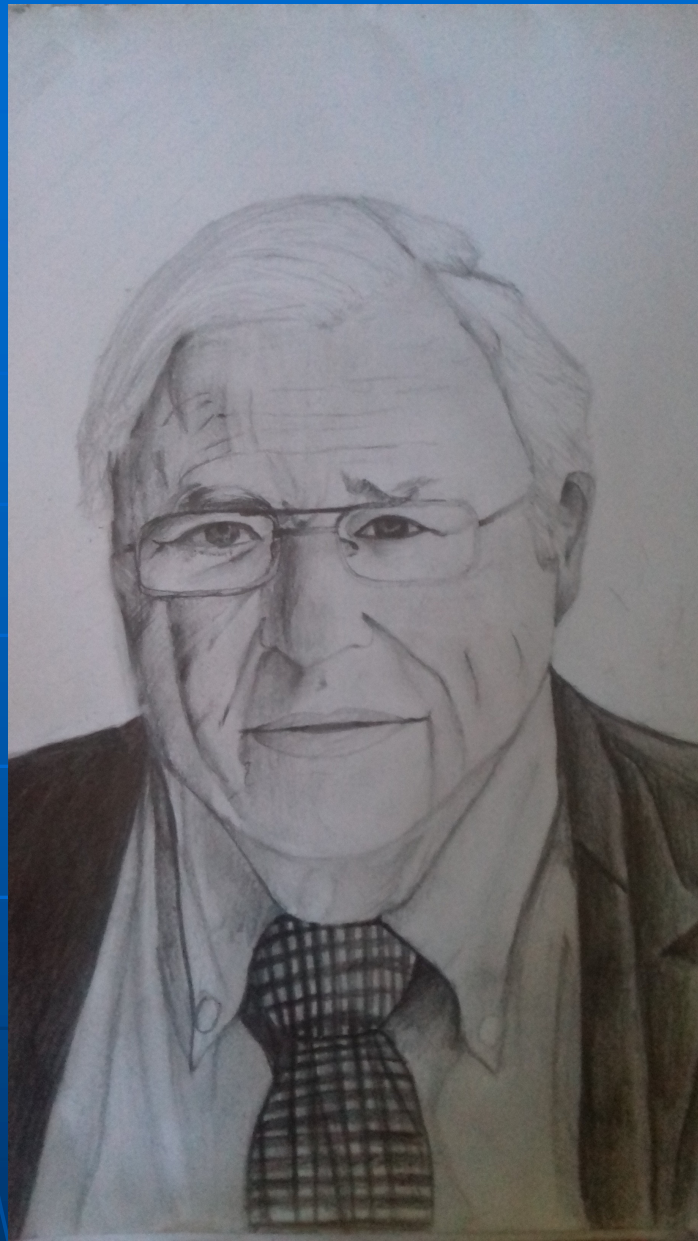


**Maisam (~13 yrs old) and Maryam (~10 yrs old)**



**Picture Warren Sent to Maryam**





**Maryam's (11 yrs old!) Picture of Warren**



**Painting by Maryam**



**Amir** (4 yrs old)



# Proposed Welcome Corps Group

## Wolfeboro Area

Marge Mueller

Grace Trites

Warren Muir

Sarah Day

## Manchester Area

Amadou Hamady

Tina Proulx

Heidi Traeger

Mark Traeger

# Welcome Corps Responsibilities

Airport Reception

Financial Support

Housing

Basic Necessities

Documentation

Benefits and Services

Health Services

Education & Childcare

Language

Translation

Cultural Connections

Orientation

Employment

Transportation

Transition from Sponsorship

Reporting/Feedback

# Group Application and Approval

- Identify Group Members and Support - Done
- Group Member Applications- Underway
- Prepare Welcome Plan- Underway
- Raise \$12,000 – All Saints Afghan Refugee Fund Established
- Submit Group Application for Approval



# Preparation for Arrival

- Secure Housing and Utilities
- Identify and Supply Basic Necessities
- Plan Airport Arrival and Transportation to Housing
- Raise \$30,000 – All Saints Afghan Refugee Fund Established

# Settlement and Transition to Self-Sufficiency

1. All the Other Welcome Corps Responsibilities
2. Help Address Unanticipated Needs
3. Ongoing Friendship and Networking

# **Sarah and Warren Will Keep the All Saints Community Informed**

- News About the Family and their Conditions
- Welcome Corps Status
- Fundraising Status
- Introduce You to the Family  
(When Appropriate)
- Hopefully, their Anticipated Arrival Date
- Settlement Needs
- Expected Dates of their Visits to All Saints