Canucks Family Education Centre, in partnership with the Britannia Community Services Centre and many other individuals and organizations, is fundraising to save an international family who is fleeing an extremely unsafe situation in the Middle East, and we need your help!

We are working with one of the Canucks Family Education Centre (CFEC) students, Fatemeh Zamani, to help bring her only surviving sister, husband and 4 children to the safety of Vancouver.

This Vancouver Sun article (<u>https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/family-endures-great-loss-to-come-to-canada-surviving-member-still-not-safe-and-sound</u>) details the devastating series of events that led to the deaths of five of Fatemeh's closest family members - mother, father, two brothers and a sister.

The family is currently living outside of Afghanistan and through the efforts of a number of individuals and partners we were successful in raising \$33,000 to begin the process for refugee sponsorship. The Canadian Memorial United Church will submit an application to the Canadian government, February 2020. This 1-year sponsorship period pays for the family's housing, food, clothing and other necessities, once they arrive in the Vancouver area.

Not included in this amount is the cost of sustaining the family in the undisclosed country where they have sought asylum (rent, food and other essentials); airline tickets to fly to Vancouver; and other costs associated with travel once the application is granted.

PLEASE HELP US SAVE THIS FAMILY!

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE:

Online

https://ca.apm.activecommunities.com/vancouver/Activity_Search/265252

Or Mail a cheque or bank draft, made out to *Canucks Family Education Centre* - Memo line: Zamani Family Settlement Fund, to Britannia Community Services Centre, 1661 Napier Street, Vancouver, V5L 4X4

Or in person, at Britannia Community Services Centre Society - Information Building - 1661 Napier Street, Vancouver. Britannia will provide a charitable tax receipt, upon request.

Thank you, on behalf of the *Zamani Family Settlement Fund* - Jean Rasmussen, Founder & Executive Director - Canucks Family Education Centre. For more information I can be reached at 778 321-3487 or jean.cfec@gmail.com