

THE ZOMI COMMUNITY IN OREGON

Who are the Zomi?

What challenges are they facing?

How can I help?



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VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE, POVERTY & PERSECUTION

The Zomi community needs our help right now.

The Zomi community is an ethnic minority group from Myanmar, Bangladesh, and India. A predominantly Christian group, the Zomi have been the target of intense religious and political persecution, causing many of them to flee and resettle in Oregon as refugees since 2009. The Zomi are also heavily marginalized and at higher risk for human trafficking, exploitation, and poverty throughout Malaysia. Making matters worse, the military junta seized power of Myanmar in a coup d'état on February 1, 2021, threatening the Zomi with horrific violence and oppression.

Most Zomi refugees start their journeys in Malaysia or India where they often wait a decade or more to be resettled and reunited with their families. In Oregon 100% of Zomi are refugees, all of whom live below the poverty line.

The Zomi are active community members, and advocacy is a large part of their cultural values. Today local Zomi members are organizing in resistance to the military coup in Myanmar, where children and youth have been disproportionately attacked and killed.

You can make a difference today.

Join us for our multi-faith prayer service on April 17, 2021, or contact ZCCP President Francis Kham at (971) 340-3975 or zomicatholicpdx@gmail.com for opportunities to support the Zomi community.