



The Rodriguez-Matos Family

The Rodríguez-Matos Family, a Cuban refugee family, arrived in Holland on December 24, 2016. During their time in Holland, various organizations and churches have provided care and support to the family as they adapted to living in a foreign country. Amaury and Yusleydi, as well as their 4 children have gone through the difficult process of immigrating here as refugees. Amaury, who was a university professor in Cuba, held ideological and political differences with the Cuban government fled Cuba and lived in Brazil.

The Rodriguez Matos family is a happy family, focused on the studies of their children who are actively involved in Holland Public Schools where they are continuing their studies and increasing their mastery of English. They enjoy various sports and outdoor entertainment. Dance and music make their family gatherings and friendships a space for family fun where Cuban food occupies a relevant place and is well appreciated and tasted by those who attend.

When asked about the impact this is having on their family, Amaury said, "The kindness, good treatment, courtesy, hospitality, focus on helping those in need, open arms and heart attest to the values of Holland and its people. For all this to have blessed us... my family and I are immensely grateful!"



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