

*Refugees
Welcome*



REFUGEE 101 / RISE

Understanding the Definitions and History of Refugee, Asylee Status and Humanitarian Parole



What qualifies someone as a
refugee?

What images come to mind?

REFUGEE

To be considered a refugee the individual must be...

- ▶ Fleeing their country and have crossed into another country's border
- ▶ Experiencing persecution
- ▶ Unable to return home due to the fear and persecution propagated in their home country
- ▶ Fear for their life & wellbeing



PERSECUTION IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

Religion

Social Group

War

Political Views

Nationality

Race Divides

Other types of immigrant status

Humanitarian Parolee

Citizens or nationals of Ukraine granted access to U.S. due to urgent humanitarian reasons or for significant public benefit, known as Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees

'Typical' Refugee

Special Immigrant Visa: Iraqi's or Afghans who were employed by the US military and resettled legally in the United States

Asylum Seeker

Someone who's claim as a refugee has not been definitively evaluated

Migrant

Someone who chose to move to increase their family's prospects for a better life

THE REFUGEE VETTING PROCESS

Screenings involve these government agencies
and take up to 36 months



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Homeland Security



Federal Bureau of
Investigation



Department of
Defense



Department of
State



United States
Intelligence Community



Department of Health
& Human Services

Rescue.org



How long it takes for a refugee or newcomer to be integrated and resettled ?

3 years ?

5 years ?

10 years ?

As of today, 88% of the world's refugee population comes from just six countries

Ukraine, Syria, Afghanistan, South Sudan,
Myanmar, and Somalia

Role of Resettlement Agency - JFS Delaware RISE



Arrival - 90 Days Initial Resettlement Program

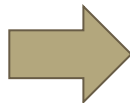
CASE MANAGEMENT WILL...

- Perform Intake & Housing/Safety Assessment and Orientation
- Sign family up for initial benefits (WIC, SNAP, TANF, RCA, Medicaid)
- Schedule Medical Appointments
- Enroll children in school

Continued Case Management After 90 Days

(P.C) Preferred Communities - Intensive Case Management (2 months - 2 years)

- Client has three or more goals they work on



Emigre (5 Years) State Refugee Program

- Client has less than 3 goals they need to work on

CASE MANAGEMENT WILL...

- Link client to immigration services and legal pro bono services
- Renew Employment Authorization cards
- Renew Benefits
- Adjustment of Status Assistance
 - 1 year of residence

The goal is for our
client's to reach one
main outcome: **SELF SUFFICIENCY!**

What would **self sufficiency** look like in these areas of life?

- HEALTH
- EMPLOYMENT
- HOUSING
- FINANCE
- CULTURAL ADJUSTMENT

Important Transitions in Client's Timeline

1. Start/End of any Case Management Program
2. ESL classes beginning (Literacy Delaware and/or ELI)
3. Employment
4. School for children or continued education for adults
5. Navigating benefit enrollment & loss/gain of social service benefits

Case Managers will...

- Communicate with Volunteers on actionable items
Welcome Team volunteers can assist during these transitions

ESL Checklist

Welcome Team

- Provides tutoring
- Provides client classroom items as needed (ex; backpack, notebooks, pencils/pens)
- Volunteer tutor/liaison reminds client of homework deadlines and corresponds with UD/ELI about classroom materials
- Transports client to class if needed

CASE MANAGER

- Enrolls client in ELI and Literacy Delaware
- Ensures client has appropriate technology
- Ensures client understands when & where class is

Employment & Finances Checklist

Welcome Team

- Employment Volunteer assists with resume and cover letter
- Utilizes social capital to help the client obtain employment
- Signs client up to workforce development programs
- Provides budgeting templates and helps ensure client understands how to pay bills (case by case)

Case Management

- Explains to client the potential loss of social service benefits
- Assists in client in making the best choice in benefit selection

Thank You!

- ▶ Questions?

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- ▶ Next Steps & Reminders:

- ▶ Sign in to Better Impact and complete quiz for this training

- ▶ If unable to attend a training you can view the recording on Better Impact & complete the quiz

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