Office of Refugee Resettlement: Strategies and Resources

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The Global Migration Crisis

- Source: UNHCR

- Unprecedented number of forcibly displaced
- 1,150,300 refugees in need of resettlement
- 50% increase since 2012; 23% since 2015
- 51% of refugees are under the age of 18

- 65.3 million forcibly displaced people worldwide
- 21.3 million refugees
  - 16.1 million under UNHCR mandate
  - 5.2 million Palestinian refugees registered by UNRWA
- 10 million stateless people
Where are Refugees Fleeing from?

53% of refugees worldwide came from three countries

Somalia 1.11m  Afghanistan 2.59m  Syria 3.88m

Source: UNHCR
Resettlement Submission Categories

From 2005 to 2014 Submissions for Resettlement
- Survivors of Violence and Torture: 5% to 22%
- Women and Girls at Risk: 6% to 12.6%

UNHCR Resettlement by Submission Category in 2014

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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Cases Submitted</th>
<th>Persons Submitted</th>
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<tr>
<td>Legal and/or Physical Protection Needs (LPN)</td>
<td>11,038</td>
<td>34,276</td>
<td>33.3%</td>
<td>26,471</td>
<td>36.3%</td>
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<td>Lack of Foreseeable Alternative Durable Solutions (LAS)</td>
<td>8,625</td>
<td>25,262</td>
<td>26.1%</td>
<td>24,391</td>
<td>33.4%</td>
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<td>Survivors of Violence and/or Torture (SVT)</td>
<td>7,349</td>
<td>27,840</td>
<td><strong>22.2%</strong></td>
<td>11,346</td>
<td>15.5%</td>
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<td>Women and Girls at risk (AWR)</td>
<td>4,185</td>
<td>11,175</td>
<td>12.6%</td>
<td>6,719</td>
<td>9.2%</td>
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<td>Medical Needs (MED)</td>
<td>821</td>
<td>2,847</td>
<td>2.5%</td>
<td>2,007</td>
<td>2.7%</td>
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<td>Family Reunification (FAM)</td>
<td>471</td>
<td>1,035</td>
<td>1.4%</td>
<td>1,144</td>
<td>1.6%</td>
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<td>Children and Adolescents at Risk (CHL)</td>
<td>402</td>
<td>644</td>
<td>1.2%</td>
<td>434</td>
<td>0.6%</td>
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<td>Others/Unspecified</td>
<td>210</td>
<td>229</td>
<td>&lt;1%</td>
<td>496</td>
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<td><strong>Grand Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>33,101</strong></td>
<td><strong>103,890</strong></td>
<td><strong>100.00%</strong></td>
<td><strong>73,008</strong></td>
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### U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program, FY15 Arrivals

#### Top Refugee Numbers by Country of Origin, FY2015

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<td>Burma</td>
<td>18,000</td>
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<td>Iraq</td>
<td>13,000</td>
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<td>Somalia</td>
<td>9,000</td>
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<td>Democratic Republic of Congo</td>
<td>8,000</td>
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<td>Bhutan</td>
<td>6,000</td>
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<td>Syria</td>
<td>2,685</td>
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### ORR Caseload Projection for FY 2016

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<th>Entry Status</th>
<th>Total Projected</th>
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<td>Refugees</td>
<td>85,000</td>
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<td>Asylees</td>
<td>29,200</td>
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<td>Cuban/Haitian Entrants/Parolees</td>
<td>64,000</td>
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<td>Foreign Victims of Human Trafficking</td>
<td>600</td>
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<td>Special Immigrant Visa holders (SIV)</td>
<td>13,000</td>
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<td>Total projected ORR caseload for FY2016*</td>
<td>191,800</td>
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*does not include UAC
Refugees and Trauma

- Experiences of trauma
- Impact of trauma
- Children and families
- Positive changes; skills developed

[http://nctsn.org/trauma-types/refugee-trauma/learn-about-refugee-trauma]
ORR Guiding Principles

ORR’s New Vision: To assist refugees with accessing mainstream opportunities and resources

- Data Informed Decision-Making
- Appropriate Placements and Services
- Client-Centered Case Management
- Outreach
- Health and Mental Health Services
- Newly Arriving Refugees
Refugee Programs with a Focus on Health and Wellness

- Preferred Communities
- Health Promotion

- Refugee Agricultural Program
- Ethnic Community Self-Help
Promoting Emotional Wellness

Stories of Hope From Bhutanese Refugees: Moving From Distress to Wellness
Mental Health First Aid Training (MFHA)

• Improves knowledge, confidence, and skills in addressing mental health issues
• Since 2014, ORR helped organize a series of MHFA trainings in PA, GA, TN, IA, OH, NY, TX; other states are in the works
• More than 500 refugee community leaders (mostly Bhutanese) and over 60 resettlement staff trained

http://www.mentalhealthfirstaid.org/cs/
Refugee Medical Screening: National Review

- Medical screening models
  - Most states (28) use a combination of public health clinics and private providers
  - 24 states reported ≥1 FQHC providing medical screenings

- Mental health
  - 27 states reported utilizing mental health screening tools
  - 12 use the Refugee Health Screener-15 (RHS-15) tool

- Promising practices
  - Screening clinic serving as the medical home
  - Ensuring follow up on conditions identified during the initial medical screening
Refugee Mental Health TA Provider: National Partnership for Community Training

- National needs assessment conducted
- Organizing webinars (e.g., interpretation services, cultural sensitivity, mental health screening and referrals)
- Online resources and training (e.g. e-learning course)
- Hosting regional conference calls to identify and address mental health needs
Services for Survivors of Torture, FY 2015

• Over 9,000 survivors received medical, mental health, social, and legal services
• Most common primary need was mental health (37%)
• 36% of clients were from Africa, 22% from Latin America, and 20% from the Middle East
• 46% of clients were asylum-seekers and 27% were refugees
• Most common form of torture was beatings (49%), followed by threats (43%)
Services for Survivors of Torture FY16

- Thirty-four programs funded by ORR
- Three Types of Centers
- One Technical Assistance Provider; CVT healtorture.org

http://www.healtorture.org/content/domestic-healing-centers
Red pin indicates full members of National Consortium of Torture Treatment Centers (NCTTP)
ORR Resources

ORR network resources page
acfhhs.gov/programs/orr/resource/orr-network-resources

Services to survivors of torture resources
National Capacity Building Program (CVT):
healtorture.org/content/mental-health-resources

Refugee Mental Health Resources
National Partnership for Community Training:
gulfcoastjewishfamilyandcommunityservices.org/refugee

Refugee Health Technical Assistance Center
refugeehealthta.org

LGBT Refugee Resources
Heartland Alliance’s Rainbow Welcome
rainbowwelcome.org
SAMHSA Resources

- Center for Integrated Health Solutions (integration.samhsa.gov)
  - Health and wellness page (e.g., stress management, MHFA)

- National Child Traumatic Stress Network (nctsn.org)
  - Refugee trauma web page

- Suicide Prevention Resource Center (sprc.org)
  - Suicide Prevention Lifeline (translators for 150 languages)

- Center for Substance Abuse Prevention
  - Strategic Prevention Framework for community planning
For more information about:

- ORR programs, please visit our website at: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr
- ORR funding opportunities, please visit www.hhs.gov/grants

Thank you!