Briefing on Afghan Refugees

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Agenda

1. Overview of resettlement process
2. Health services
3. Resettlement agencies and community partners
4. Federal updates
5. Gaps in needs and how Washingtonians can help
6. Q&A
Welcoming refugees is a collective effort.

## Afghan Arrivals

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<tr>
<th>Immigration Status</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Projection</th>
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<td>Special Immigrant Visas (SIVs)</td>
<td>Available to Afghans who worked for the US government or government contractors for at least a year</td>
<td>7,000 arrived, 20,000 projected</td>
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<td>Refugees (P1-P2)</td>
<td>Must be processed outside of Afghanistan in a second country. This includes those who worked for the US government or government contractors for less than a year, or who worked for US-funded programs or projects and meet the credible fear criteria</td>
<td>Unknown. Will arrive after processing overseas</td>
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<td>SQ/SI Parolee</td>
<td>Arriving with SIV application pending</td>
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<td>Humanitarian Parolee</td>
<td>Arriving without SIV application pending, likely eligible to apply for asylum</td>
<td>50,000 target for resettlement services</td>
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Evacuation Process Overview

**Special Immigrant Visa (SIV)**
- Application for Special Immigrant Visa
- Security checks
- If approved
- Medical screening
- Legal permanent residency (green card)
- Travel to United States
- Resettlement

**Special Immigrant Parolee (SI / SQ)**
- Application for Special Immigrant Visa
- Security checks
- If approved
- Evacuation from Afghanistan to United States
- Processing at Ft. Lee
- Immigration visa processing and application for legal permanent residency (green card)
- Resettlement

**Humanitarian Parolee**
- Evacuation from Afghanistan to partner country
- Security checks while in partner country
- If approved
- Travel to United States
- Processing at U.S. military base
- Additional security & immigration visa processing
- Resettlement

**Military Bases**
- Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA
- Fort Pickett, VA
- Fort Lee, VA
- Holloman Air Force Base, NM
- Fort McCoy, WI
- Fort Bliss, TX
- Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ
- Camp Atterbury, IN
## Refugee Resettlement Agencies in Washington

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<th>County of Resettlement</th>
<th>Refugee Resettlement Agency</th>
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<td>Benton-Franklin</td>
<td>World Relief - Richland</td>
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<td>Clark County</td>
<td>LCSNW (LIRS)</td>
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<td>Puget Sound Region</td>
<td>Diocese of Olympia (EMM)</td>
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<td>- King</td>
<td>IRC</td>
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<td>- Pierce</td>
<td>JFS (HIAS)</td>
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<td>LCSNW (LIRS)</td>
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<td>World Relief – Seattle</td>
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<td>Spokane County</td>
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Immediate Resettlement Services

**Afghan SIVs, Refugees, SQ/SI Parolees:**
Reception and Placement Program (R&P)

- 30 to 90-day period
- Per capita grant of $1,225 for direct assistance; $1,050 for administrative costs
- Core Services:
  - Airport Reception
  - Safe and appropriate housing
  - Pocket money for each adult
  - Appropriate and adequate food supplies
  - Seasonal clothing
  - Material needs and household goods
  - Assistance with enrollment in school
  - Cultural orientation
  - Assistance with accessing legal services

**Afghan Parolees:**
Afghan Parolee Assistance Program (APA)

- 30-day period, possible extension to 90-days
- Per capita grant of $1,225 for direct assistance; $1,050 for administrative costs
- Core Services:
  - Airport Reception
  - Safe and appropriate housing
  - Pocket money for each adult
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## Eligibility for Public Programs

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| **Public Assistance Programs (Cash and Food Assistance)** | Eligible for:  
  • Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (federally-funded cash assistance) (for households with minor children)  
  • SNAP Food Assistance  
  • Refugee Cash Assistance (for individuals and couples without minor children)  
  • Federally-funded Women, Infants, and Children’s Program | Eligible for:  
  • State Family Assistance (for households with minor children)  
  • Food Assistance Program (for all)  
  • Federally-funded Women, Infants, and Children’s Program  
  **Ineligible for:**  
  • Refugee Cash Assistance (for individuals and couples without minor children) |
| **Apple Health (Medicaid)**              | Eligible                                                                                                     | Eligible for:  
  • Apple Health (for children <19 years and pregnant women)  
  • Alien Emergency Medical  
  **Ineligible:**  
  • Adults 19 years & older                                                                                      |
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<td>Refugee Health Screening</td>
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<td>LEP Pathway Employment and ESL</td>
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<td>PRIME – Case management, immigration assistance, and sufficiency program</td>
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<td>Refugee School Impact, Refugee Youth Mentoring &amp; Unaccompanied Refugee Minor</td>
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<td>Refugee Elders</td>
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<td>Emergency Refugee Support Services, including housing and utility assistance</td>
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<td>Technology Access and Digital Inclusion</td>
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