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Renting to Refugees

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“ LSS/NCA has been a wonderful resource, and I believe the work that they do to help refugees become accustomed to life in the U.S. is vital. **They are a great resource for landlords in keeping vacancy rates low.** ”

– Dontae Hinton
Community Manager, Sky Properties LLC




LSS/NCA' Role in Refugee Resettlement

- 1 **More than 15 million refugees** around the world have left their homes because of war or civil unrest.
The U.S., in partnership with the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, offers people the **freedom to start a new life through a refugee resettlement program.**
- 2 Since the 1970s, LSS/NCA has partnered with local organizations and companies to **aid in the resettlement of more than 500 refugees a year, all of whom seek housing and employment.**

LSS/NCA provides refugees with...

-  Housing and move-in assistance
-  Employment services and vocational training
-  Cultural orientation programs and access to community resources

Why rent to refugees?

-  Refugees are continuously resettled in the Washington, DC metro area – **partner with LSS/NCA to prevent vacancies and keep your apartments full.**
-  **Collect rent with less worrying** – LSS/NCA assists clients for the first 90 days, helping refugees find work and a steady income so they become self-sufficient and pay their rent independently.
-  Promote diversity and **build a community of respectful, long-term tenants.** Landlords who rent to refugees through LSS/NCA and provide basic training on maintenance and cleanliness **find that tenants typically renew their leases beyond LSS/NCA's initial commitment.**

Frequently Asked Questions

Do refugees speak English?



Sometimes. All refugees are referred to English classes depending on their language level upon arrival. LSS/NCA can coordinate free interpretation for interviews.

Can refugees legally work?



Yes! All LSS/NCA clients are permanently authorized to work and can meet I-9 requirements.

Are refugees legal residents?



Yes! Refugees have special travel documents that allow them to legally live and travel in the US. After a year, refugees apply for a green card.

Do refugees have Social Security numbers?



Not immediately. A few days after arrival in the U.S., all refugees apply for Social Security cards.

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