

Resettlement Agency Programs and Support Services

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Specific to Maryland: Greenbelt, Arbutus, Frederick

Reception and Placement (R&P)

A case management program for new Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) holder and refugee arrivals to the United States. **SIV holders who arrange their own travel have 30 days to enroll, pending capacity of the resettlement agency. Clients are only eligible to be in this program for 90 days from their status determination date.** Each person in the program will receive up to \$1225 worth of assistance from the resettlement agency every month. Clients will receive **help with enrollment in programs** like food stamps and English language classes as well as other educational needs.

Matching Grant (MG)

An **up to 8-month cash assistance and job development program** that aims to help eligible clients become employed and self-sufficient. **Eligibility is one month within arrival to the United States for refugees and Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) holders. Asylees and Afghan Humanitarian Parolees have 3 months from their status determination date to join the program.** Services include help with resume creation, job applications, interview preparation, employer connections and job readiness training. For the **first 3 months clients receive cash assistance** each month that includes \$570 per person per month towards rent, \$60 for utilities, \$40 for transportation, \$50 for phone, \$200 per adult and \$40 per child. Eligible clients will also receive rental assistance as needed.

Refugee Support Services (RSS)

A **job development program** available to refugees and Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) holders within their **first 5 years** in the United States. The goal of the program is self-sufficiency for clients who are ready and willing to work. Services include help with resume creation, job applications, interview preparation, employer connections, and job readiness training.

Career Pathways for English Learners (CPEL)

Tutoring and financial assistance for English learners who have academic and career development goals.

Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS)

A fee for service program that provides consultation and assistance with various immigration related forms. LSSNCA legal services are provided by multi-lingual, experienced staff that are accredited by the Department of Justice Office of Legal Access Program.

Extended Case Management Program (ECMP)

A **case management program** for walk-in clients including Cubans, Ukrainians, Afghans, and asylees from around the world that can help with tasks usually completed in Reception and Placement (R&P). Clients are **eligible for 5 years** from their status determination date and are usually enrolled for a brief period before they move on to a job development program. Clients in this program will get help with things like applying for food stamps and creating a self-sufficiency plan.

Preferred Communities (PC)

A program for **eligible clients who have long term case management needs related to comfort and well-being** within the United States (medical, household composition, etc.). Eligible clients can be enrolled in this program for **up to two years** and are eligible for 5 years after arrival.

Refugee Care Coordinator (RCC)

A program that **helps clients with their immediate health needs upon arriving** in the United States. The Care Coordinator will help clients **enroll** in Medicaid, receive their **initial health screening**, find a **primary care physician**, and understand how to navigate the U.S. health system.

Refugee Transitional Cash Assistance (RTCA)

A cash assistance program that provides **temporary financial assistance for clients not eligible for Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA/TANF)** such as single adults, unaccompanied minors, childless couples, and those with income above the limit Temporary Cash Assistance. Eligible refugees and Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) holders can receive \$328 per person per month for the entire **8-month program eligibility period**.

Refugee Youth Mentoring Project (RYMP)

A counseling program that addresses the unique challenges refugee youth face in the areas of **academic achievement, career advancement, and social inclusion**. Any client between the **ages of 15 and 24 and within 5 years of their status determination date** are eligible. The services provided are tailored to each client's specific needs. These can include everything from enrollment in internship to help joining a local soccer team. Our agency will also match eligible youth with positive adult mentors who will provide them with personalized interaction and guidance to achieve their potential.

Safe Release Support Services (SRS)

A program that provides free fingerprinting and background checks for children in Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) care. The goal is to allow the children to be released to sponsors, caregivers, or household members as quickly as possible. The background checks are strictly for childcare purposes.

*Eligible clients may be able to receive extra assistance for rent and technology, such as laptops, within their first 5 years in the United States. Please discuss with the resettlement agency directly to learn about eligibility requirements.