

Refugee Health Promotion Refugee Support Services Set-Aside: FY 2023 Supplemental Funding

Dear Colleague Letter 23-23

April 26, 2023

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ORR will issue a supplement to the Refugee Health Promotion (RHP) "set-aside" within the fiscal year (FY) 2023¹ Refugee Support Services (RSS) formula Refugee and Entrant Assistance (REA) allocation detailed in ORR <u>Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) 23-01</u>. This letter explains ORR's method of determining supplemental RHP FY 2023 awards and details the funding amounts. For a description of program goals and services, eligible populations, and program reporting and monitoring requirements, please reference ORR <u>Policy Letter (PL) 22-05</u>, *Refugee Health Promotion Program Transitions to Refugee Support Services Set-Aside Program* and <u>PL 22-06</u>, *Refugee Mental Health Initiative within the Refugee Health Promotion Program*.

Qualification for FY 2023 Supplemental Allocations

FY 2023 is the third year of a three-year qualification period for the RHP program. States that qualified for funding per <u>DCL 20-08</u>, *FY 2020-2021 Refugee Health Promotion Support Services Set-Aside* remain eligible to receive funding for this year.

States that did not receive FY 2023 REA RHP funding were offered the option to receive a FY 2023 supplemental RHP allocation; three of those states elected to receive supplemental RHP funding. Receipt of supplemental funding does not guarantee future RHP funding.

Basis for Funding

A portion of the FY 2023 supplemental RHP allocations to states² is based on the traditional population served³, and a portion was based on the Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolee (UHP) population arrived and served because Congress provided additional funding to serve all populations, including Ukrainians, in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023⁴.

For the traditional population served, ORR used the number of ORR-eligible individuals who arrived and were served in FY 2021 and FY 2022 (combined), as reported in the ORR-5 in the ORR Refugee Arrivals Data System (RADS). ORR used this two-year lookback period to determine RSS allocations, providing a

¹ October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

² The term "states" throughout this DCL refers to states and replacement designees (RDs) that receive RSS funding from ORR.

³ Includes Refugees, Special Immigrant Visa holders, Victims of Trafficking, Cuban and Haitian Entrants, and Asylees. Does not include Afghan or Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees.

⁴ Title V of Division M – Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023

level of funding stability in response to the variance in arrivals during the relevant time period. Please note that even though the allocation reflected is based on arrivals for FY 2021 and FY 2022, the service population includes all arrivals for the past five-year period.

For the portion of the allocation based on UHP arrival data, ORR used arrival data from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), as well as service data for UHPs submitted by states in the ORR-5. The two data sets were weighted equally.

The total supplemental RHP allocation may be used to serve all eligible individuals; there is no requirement to allocate funds between UHPs and other eligible populations in alignment with the funding chart below⁵.

FY 2023 Supplemental Allocations Chart

The chart below documents each state's numbers of eligible individuals who formed the basis for this funding and the corresponding supplemental allocation for the RHP program for FY 2023. As required under ORR regulation 45 C.F.R. §400.210, these funds must be obligated by September 30, 2024, and must be liquidated by September 30, 2025.

FY 2022 and FY 2021 Populations Served and Supplemental FY 2023 RHP Allocation									
	Funds Allocated Based on ORR-5 Data			Funds Allocated Based on UHP Data					
State	FY21-22 Total Arrived/ Served ⁶	Proportion of Population Arrived/ Served	Funding, Subtotal	Total DHS UHPs Arrived	FY21-22 Total ORR-5 UHPs Arrived/ Served	Proportion of Population Arrived/ Served	Funding, Subtotal	Total Allocation	
Alabama	81	0.03%	\$2,626	332	94	0.40%	\$185,274	\$187,900	
Alaska	57	0.02%	\$1,848	583	343	1.14%	\$536,042	\$537,890	
Arizona	3,464	1.37%	\$112,299	590	162	0.69%	\$323,275	\$435,574	
Arkansas	129	0.05%	\$4,183	74	16	0.08%	\$35,432	\$39,615	
California	9,554	3.79%	\$309,774	11,161	1,624	9.41%	\$4,409,577	\$4,719,351	
Colorado	2,595	1.03%	\$84,123	1,191	516	1.87%	\$876,353	\$960,476	
Connecticut	374	0.15%	\$12,126	1,898	114	1.19%	\$557,845	\$569,971	
Delaware District of	26	0.01%	\$843	142	2	0.07%	\$34,004	\$34,847	
Columbia	86	0.03%	\$2,772	158	35	0.16%	\$76,645	\$79,417	
Florida	146,941	58.32%	\$4,764,350	7,381	1,189	6.51%	\$3,052,337	\$7,816,687	
Georgia	3,233	1.28%	\$104,825	1,636	13	0.81%	\$379,877	\$484,702	
Hawaii	7	0.00%	\$227	106	25	0.11%	\$53,219	\$53,446	
Idaho	622	0.25%	\$20,167	436	623	1.78%	\$834,849	\$855,016	
Illinois	1,499	0.59%	\$48,603	14,904	1,008	9.63%	\$4,514,054	\$4,562,657	
Indiana	1,153	0.46%	\$37,384	611	106	0.56%	\$261,642	\$299,026	

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⁵ Per ORR DCL 23-11, ORR issued the first allocation of FY 2023 Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (AUSAA) RSS base funding in November 2022 to provide services to support Ukrainian populations and other non-Ukrainian individuals as delineated in ORR Policy Letter 22-13. ORR will issue a second allocation of AUSAA RSS base funding in FY 2023. Includes Refugees, Special Immigrant Visa holders, Victims of Trafficking, Cuban and Haitian Entrants, and Asylees. Does not include Afghan and Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees.

Total	251,945	100.00%	\$8,168,919	105,147	19,783	100.00%	\$46,851,250	\$55,020,169
Wisconsin	918	0.36%	\$29,765	861	121	0.72%	\$335,101	\$364,866
Washington	3,474	1.38%	\$112,639	10,174	3,652	14.07%	\$6,591,097	\$6,703,736
Virginia	1,659	0.66%	\$53,791	1,559	258	1.39%	\$652,834	\$706,625
Vermont	164	0.07%	\$5,317	96	29	0.12%	\$55,728	\$61,045
Utah	866	0.34%	\$28,079	567	229	0.85%	\$397,487	\$425,566
Texas	29,478	11.70%	\$955,763	2,685	876	3.49%	\$1,635,486	\$2,591,249
Tennessee	1,960	0.78%	\$63,550	879	397	1.42%	\$665,931	\$729,481
South Dakota	119	0.05%	\$3,858	179	121	0.39%	\$183,159	\$187,017
South Carolina	520	0.21%	\$16,860	1,539	41	0.84%	\$391,422	\$408,282
Rhode Island	141	0.06%	\$4,572	117	18	0.10%	\$47,381	\$51,953
Pennsylvania	1,929	0.77%	\$62,545	6,186	570	4.38%	\$2,053,128	\$2,115,673
Oregon	351	0.14%	\$11,364	2,025	81	1.17%	\$547,063	\$558,427
Oklahoma	437	0.17%	\$14,169	222	42	0.21%	\$99,193	\$113,362
Ohio	1,249	0.50%	\$40,481	3,841	27	1.89%	\$887,705	\$928,186
North Dakota	87	0.03%	\$2,821	138	65	0.23%	\$107,713	\$110,534
North Carolina	1,501	0.60%	\$48,662	2,227	249	1.69%	\$791,000	\$839,662
New York	3,403	1.35%	\$110,337	14,139	3,424	15.38%	\$7,204,476	\$7,314,813
New Mexico	177	0.07%	\$5,739	101	4	0.06%	\$27,238	\$32,977
New Jersey	5,095	2.02%	\$165,198	5,489	421	3.67%	\$1,721,409	\$1,886,607
New Hampshire	168	0.07%	\$5,447	269	124	0.44%	\$206,762	\$212,209
Nevada	3,905	1.55%	\$126,598	429	112	0.49%	\$228,199	\$354,797
Nebraska	1,963	0.78%	\$63,647	495	216	0.78%	\$366,053	\$429,700
Montana	106	0.04%	\$3,439	94	-	0.04%	\$20,943	\$24,382
Missouri	1,504	0.60%	\$48,765	902	257	1.08%	\$505,277	\$554,042
Minnesota	1,674	0.66%	\$54,277	1,352	436	1.74%	\$817,491	\$871,768
Michigan	2,075	0.82%	\$67,279	2,723	443	2.41%	\$1,131,224	\$1,198,503
Massachusetts	1,850	0.73%	\$59,983	2,053	845	3.11%	\$1,457,975	\$1,517,958
Maryland	1,523	0.60%	\$49,365	1,182	339	1.42%	\$664,757	\$714,122
Maine	311	0.12%	\$10,067	135	38	0.16%	\$75,073	\$85,140
Louisiana	641	0.25%	\$20,767	135	37	0.16%	\$73,889	\$94,656
Kentucky	11,277	4.48%	\$365,634	557	383	1.23%	\$577,615	\$943,249
Iowa Kansas	813 791	0.32% 0.31%	\$26,360 \$25,631	370 224	11 47	0.20% 0.23%	\$95,457 \$105,559	\$121,817 \$131,190

Resources

Please direct any questions about this DCL or the RHP program to your ORR Division of Refugee Health (DRH) Health Liaison. We also encourage you to utilize ORR's <u>Technical Assistance provider(s)</u> for additional resources on serving ORR-eligible populations.

Sincerely,

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