

# Afghan Refugee Health Promotion Supplement: FY 2023

Dear Colleague Letter 23-10 November 9, 2022

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The Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriation Act, 2022 and the Additional Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (ASA) provided the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) with appropriations to serve certain citizens or nationals of Afghanistan resettled to the United States. This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) outlines the FY 2023 ARHP supplemental allocations to states¹ within the Refugee Support Services (RSS) Refugee Health Promotion (RHP) set-aside program, which totals \$35 million. This DCL explains ORR's method of determining the FY 2023 ARHP allocations and provides the specific funding amounts for eligible states.

For a description of eligible populations, see <u>ORR Policy Letter (PL) 22-01</u> Afghan Humanitarian Parolees and Unaccompanied Afghan Minors Eligible for ORR Benefits and Services: ASA-Eligible Afghan Populations. While ARHP programming is limited to ASA-eligible participants, its benefits and services are the same as those under traditional RHP, and it is governed by the guidance delineated in <u>ORR PL 20-05</u> Refugee Health Promotion Program Transitions to Refugee Support Services Set-Aside Program and <u>ORR PL 22-06</u> Refugee Mental Health Initiative within the Refugee Health Promotion Program.

# **Qualification for FY 2023 ARHP Allocations**

In order for states to receive the FY 2023 ARHP allocation, the state must have qualified for RHP funding, per ORR DCL 20-08 Fiscal Year 2020 – 2021 Refugee Health Promotion Support Services Set-Aside, or have received at least 50 Afghan Placement Assistance (APA) program beneficiaries who departed a Safe Haven to their new communities through October 5, 2022, per the Hummingbird database.

#### **Explanation of Allocations and Number of People**

ORR used the number of APA program beneficiaries who departed a Safe Haven to their new communities, as recorded in the Hummingbird database, to determine the "Number of People" and "Allocation" totals included in the below FY 2023 ARHP Allocations Table.

The "Allocation" of funding was calculated by applying each state's percentage of the total "Number of People" to the total amount of ARHP funds available. A floor award (\$50,000) was

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Throughout this DCL, the term "states" refers to states and replacement designees (RDs).

applied to states with a "Number of People" fewer than 80.

#### **FY 2023 ARHP Allocations**

The table below documents the "Number of People" described above, and the corresponding funding "Allocation" for the FY 2023 ARHP supplemental allocation. Pursuant to 45 C.F.R. § 400.210(b), states must obligate these funds by September 30, 2024 and liquidate the funds by September 30, 2025. All awards are subject to the availability of federal funds.

## **FY 2023 ARHP Allocations Table**

State		
Alabama	79	\$50,000
Alaska	112	\$52,645
Arizona	2,174	\$1,021,860
Arkansas	221	\$103,878
California	9,880	\$4,643,964
Colorado	2,164	\$1,017,160
Connecticut	704	\$330,906
Delaware	52	\$50,000
District of Columbia	26	\$50,000
Florida	2,158	\$1,014,340
Georgia	1,801	\$846,536
Idaho	521	\$244,889
Illinois	1,998	\$939,134
Indiana	786	\$369,449
Iowa	1,057	\$496,829
Kansas	698	\$328,086
Kentucky	1,187	\$557,934
Louisiana	62	\$50,000
Maine	249	\$117,039
Maryland	2,062	\$969,216
Massachusetts	1,983	\$932,083
Michigan	1,787	\$839,956
Minnesota	1,303	\$612,458
Missouri	1,812	\$851,707
Montana	123	\$57,815
Nebraska	1,242	\$583,786
Nevada	310	\$145,711
New	201	
Hampshire	201	\$94,477
New Jersey	789	\$370,859
New Mexico	549	\$258,050

New York	2,543	\$1,195,304
North Carolina	1,752	\$823,505
North Dakota	52	\$50,000
Ohio	1,738	\$816,924
Oklahoma	1,853	\$870,978
Oregon	821	\$385,900
Pennsylvania	2,667	\$1,253,588
Rhode Island	311	\$146,181
South Carolina	445	\$209,166
South Dakota	11	\$50,000
Tennessee	689	\$323,855
Texas	11,612	\$5,458,068
Utah	932	\$438,074
Vermont	250	\$117,509
Virginia	6,213	\$2,920,339
Washington	3,265	\$1,534,670
Wisconsin	862	\$405,172
Total	74,106	\$35,000,000

## Resources

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

We appreciate all your work to support the health and well-being of these new Afghan arrivals.

Sincerely,

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