

## **Ukrainian Refugee Support Services: FY 2023 First Allocation**

Dear Colleague Letter 23-11

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The Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (AUSAA) provided the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) specific appropriations to provide services to support Ukrainian populations and other non-Ukrainian individuals as delineated in ORR Policy Letter 22-13. This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) outlines the first FY 2023 AUSAA allocation to states for Refugee Support Services (RSS) base funding, which totals \$160 million. This amount includes AUSAA RSS for activities as described in ORR PL 22-15, Refugee Support Services Funded by the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act.

For a description of eligible populations, priorities, service requirements, considerations regarding equity and inclusion, and reporting and monitoring requirements for AUSAA RSS. reference the relevant sections within ORR PL-15, Refugee Support Services Funded by the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act.

## **Funding Formula and Allocations Chart**

ORR used the following data to determine the "Number of People" and "Allocation" totals included in the FY 2023 AUSAA RSS Base Allocations Table:

- FY 1991 through FY 2021 historic arrival data from the ORR Refugee Arrivals Data System (RADS) for ORR-eligible Ukrainians arriving in the United States; and
- Number of Uniting for Ukraine Form I-134 sponsor applications filed, by state, according to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

In determining allocations, ORR gave equal weight to the historic and sponsor data. The percentages derived from each state's proportion of these equally weighted national totals were applied to an estimated 100,000 Ukrainian arrivals in FY 2022 and FY 2023 to determine "Number of People" for each state. The "Allocation" of funding for each state was calculated by applying these same percentages to the total amount of AUSAA RSS base funds available for this allocation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The term "states" throughout this DCL refers to states and replacement designees (RDs) that receive RSS funding from ORR.

The chart below documents the "Number of People" and the first allocations for AUSAA RSS base funding 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. All awards are subject to the availability of federal funds.

## FY 2023 First AUSAA RSS Base Allocations

State	Number of People	Allocation
Alabama	201	\$320,881
Alaska	429	\$685,624
Arizona	459	\$734,850
Arkansas	55	\$88,734
California	15,771	\$25,233,581
Colorado	1,156	\$1,849,081
Connecticut	1,202	\$1,922,699
Delaware	103	\$164,034
District Of Columbia	64	\$103,070
Florida	4,261	\$6,817,190
Georgia	1,265	\$2,024,753
Hawaii	82	\$130,629
Idaho	364	\$582,383
Illinois	8,379	\$13,405,640
Indiana	485	\$776,490
Iowa	209	\$333,917
Kansas	193	\$308,323
Kentucky	384	\$614,134
Louisiana	103	\$164,265
Maine	95	\$151,878
Maryland	1,483	\$2,372,361
Massachusetts	2,657	\$4,250,672
Michigan	1,818	\$2,908,828
Minnesota	1,266	\$2,026,165
Mississippi	52	\$83,160
Missouri	773	\$1,236,148
Montana	72	\$115,225
Nebraska	394	\$630,856
Nevada	303	\$485,001
New Hampshire	210	\$335,843
New Jersey	3,663	\$5,860,732
New Mexico	73	\$117,048
New York	18,574	\$29,725,176
North Carolina	1,513	\$2,420,807
North Dakota	78	\$124,738

Ohio	3,381	\$5,409,135
Oklahoma	193	\$308,095
Oregon	3,797	\$6,075,066
Pennsylvania	5,533	\$8,852,138
Rhode Island	153	\$244,590
South Carolina	847	\$1,354,647
South Dakota	225	\$360,357
Tennessee	666	\$1,065,285
Texas	1,705	\$2,727,916
Utah	354	\$566,502
Vermont	40	\$63,627
Virginia	1,143	\$1,828,810
Washington	13,037	\$20,858,890
West Virginia	52	\$83,810
Wisconsin	685	\$1,096,216
TOTAL	100,000	\$160,000,000

## Resources

If you have any questions about the AUSAA RSS allocations, please contact your ORR Regional Representative/Regional Analyst or ORR's Division of Refugee Assistance, at DRAprograms@acf.hhs.gov. We also encourage you to utilize ORR's technical assistance provider(s) for additional resources on serving refugees.

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

Sincerely,

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