

Refugee Support Services: Supplemental Federal Financial Report (SF-425) Instructions

Dear Colleague Letter 23-24

June 7, 2023

Dear Colleague:

The Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) is issuing this Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) to provide states and replacement designees with new supplemental instructions for the completion of the Federal Financial Report (SF-425) for the Refugee Support Services (RSS) grant. The new instructions are to include specific remarks within the form's Field Number 12.

ORR's RSS grants provide funding to states and replacement designees to provide employment services, employment-related services, and set-aside programming to address barriers to employment for ORR-eligible populations. RSS grants are comprised of funding from multiple sources.

Currently, states and replacement designees report all expenditures from their RSS grant in one cumulative amount on the SF-425. This does not enable analysis of specific financial accounts or program cost categories. Therefore, it is necessary for states and replacement designees to delineate obligations and expenditures by financial account number and program category/set-aside in SF-425 Field Number 12, which is designated for additional remarks.

Instructions

Beginning with the report due October 30, 2023, states and replacement designees must enter remarks within Field Number 12 of each quarterly and final SF-425 report. These remarks must delineate expenditures and unliquidated obligations reported via Field Number 10.g. by appropriation (e.g., Refugee and Entrant Assistance [REA]; Afghanistan Supplement Appropriation Act, 2022, and Additional Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 [ASA]; Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 [AUSAA]), by program category (e.g., RSS base or set-aside), and by common accounting number (CAN).

For reference, states and replacement designees must enter unliquidated obligations and expenditures in SF-425 Field Number 12 with breakouts for each appropriation, CAN, and program category as in the table below. Please note that the 2022 CANs listed below are examples only; please include all applicable CANs in Field Number 12 remarks.

Example:

Appropriation	REA	ASA	AUSAA
CAN	2022 G99RSF2	2022 G992210	2022 G99UKRS
		2022 G992218	
Program	Base	Base	Base

Category	Housing	• Housing	Housing
Category	S	 Housing 	J
	 Refugee Health 	 Afghan Refugee 	 Ukrainian Refugee
	Promotion (RHP)	Health Promotion	Health Promotion
	Services to Older	(ARHP)	(URHP)
	Refugees	 Services to Older 	 Refugee School
	Youth Mentoring	Refugees	Impact
	Refugee School Impact	 Youth Mentoring 	
		 Refugee School 	
		Impact	
		 Support to Schools 	
		 Legal Assistance 	
		 State Afghan 	
		Placement and	
		Assistance (SAPA)	

Resources

Please direct any questions about this DCL and the SF-425 to your ORR Regional Representative and your Grants Management Specialist (GMS) within the Administration for Children and Families' (ACF) Office of Grants Management (OGM). A copy of the SF-425 can be found on <u>ORR's Report Forms</u> webpage. The method for submission of the SF-425 remains through the payment management system per the terms and conditions of the award at https://pms.psc.gov/.

We appreciate all your work to support the well-being of ORR-eligible populations.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Tota Director, Refugee Programs Office of Refugee Resettlement