

Ukrainian Refugee Support Services: FY 2023 Second Allocation

Dear Colleague Letter 23-29 June 12, 2023

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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 second FY 2023 AUSAA allocation to states¹ for Refugee Support Services (RSS) base funding, which totals \$72.3 million.

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 22-15, *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:

- Service data from the ORR Refugee Arrivals Data System (RADS), submitted by states; and
- Arrival data from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

In determining allocations, ORR gave equal weight to both data sets. The percentages derived from each state's proportion of the arrivals in each data set were averaged, and the funding for each state was calculated by applying this percentage to the total amount of AUSAA RSS base funds available for this allocation.

The chart below documents the second allocations for AUSAA RSS base funding for FY 2023. As described in DCL 23-25, these funds must be obligated by September 30, 2025, and must be liquidated by September 30, 2026.

¹ The term "states" throughout this DCL refers to states and replacement designees (RDs) that receive RSS funding from ORR.

State Name	State-Submitted ORR-5 Data		DHS Beneficiary Arrival Data		Combined Average	Allocation
	Total	%	Total	%		
Alabama	94	0.47%	332	0.32%	0.39%	\$285,266
Alaska	343	1.73%	583	0.55%	1.14%	\$825,171
Arizona	162	0.82%	590	0.56%	0.69%	\$497,749
Arkansas	16	0.08%	74	0.07%	0.08%	\$54,560
California	1,624	8.18%	11,161	10.60%	9.39%	\$6,790,884
Colorado	516	2.60%	1,191	1.13%	1.87%	\$1,349,145
Connecticut	114	0.57%	1,898	1.80%	1.19%	\$859,318
Delaware	2	0.01%	142	0.13%	0.07%	\$52,393
District Of	35	0.18%	158	0.15%	0.16%	\$118,020
Columbia						1 2/2
Florida	1,189	5.99%	7,381	7.01%	6.50%	\$4,700,537
Georgia	13	0.07%	1,636	1.55%	0.81%	\$585,328
Hawaii	25	0.13%	106	0.10%	0.11%	\$81,946
Idaho	623	3.14%	436	0.41%	1.78%	\$1,284,933
Illinois	1,008	5.08%	14,904	14.15%	9.61%	\$6,953,358
Indiana	1,008	0.53%	611	0.58%	0.56%	
	106	0.53%	370	0.58%	0.56%	\$402,913 \$147,066
Iowa						1 1
Kansas	47	0.24%	224	0.21%	0.22%	\$162,544
Kentucky	383	1.93%	557	0.53%	1.23%	\$889,135
Louisiana	37	0.19%	135	0.13%	0.16%	\$113,768
Maine	38	0.19%	135	0.13%	0.16%	\$115,591
Maryland	339	1.71%	1,182	1.12%	1.42%	\$1,023,519
Massachusetts	845	4.26%	2,053	1.95%	3.10%	\$2,244,585
Michigan	443	2.23%	2,723	2.59%	2.41%	\$1,742,057
Minnesota	436	2.20%	1,352	1.28%	1.74%	\$1,258,637
Mississippi	38	0.19%	100	0.09%	0.14%	\$103,575
Missouri	257	1.30%	902	0.86%	1.08%	\$777,972
Montana	-	0.00%	94	0.09%	0.04%	\$32,270
Nebraska	216	1.09%	495	0.47%	0.78%	\$563,537
Nevada	112	0.56%	429	0.41%	0.49%	\$351,366
New	124	0.62%	269	0.26%	0.44%	\$318,305
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New Jersey	421	2.12%	5,489	5.21%	3.67%	\$2,651,535
New Mexico	4	0.02%	101	0.10%	0.06%	\$41,962
New York	3,424	17.25%	14,139	13.42%	15.34%	\$11,093,258
North Carolina	249	1.25%	2,227	2.11%	1.68%	\$1,218,266
North Dakota	65	0.33%	138	0.13%	0.23%	\$165,821
Ohio	27	0.14%	3,841	3.65%	1.89%	\$1,367,816
Oklahoma	42	0.21%	222	0.21%	0.21%	\$152,747
Oregon	81	0.41%	2,025	1.92%	1.17%	\$842,784
Pennsylvania	570	2.87%	6,186	5.87%	4.37%	\$3,162,329
Rhode Island	18	0.09%	117	0.11%	0.10%	\$72,966
South Carolina	41	0.21%	1,539	1.46%	0.83%	\$603,050
South Dakota	121	0.61%	179	0.17%	0.39%	\$281,941
Tennessee	397	2.00%	879	0.83%	1.42%	\$1,025,189
Texas	876	4.41%	2,685	2.55%	3.48%	\$2,518,040
Utah	229	1.15%	567	0.54%	0.85%	\$611,943
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Vermont		0.15%	96	0.09%	0.12%	\$85,802
Virginia	258	1.30%	1,559	1.48%	1.39%	\$1,005,342
Washington	3,652	18.40%	10,174	9.66%	14.03%	\$10,147,544

Grand Total	19,844	100.00%	105,332	100.00%	100.00%	\$72,320,947
Wisconsin	121	0.61%	861	0.82%	0.71%	\$516,072
West Virginia	23	0.12%	85	0.08%	0.10%	\$71,092

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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