

## Afghan Refugee Support Services: FY 2023 Third Allocation

September 29, 2023

Dear Colleague Letter 23-38

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The Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022, and Additional Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (ASA) provided the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) with specific appropriations to provide benefits and services to the citizens or nationals of Afghanistan delineated in [ORR Policy Letter \(PL\) 22-01](#), Afghan Humanitarian Parolees and Unaccompanied Afghan Minors Eligible for ORR Benefits and Services; ASA-Eligible Afghan Populations. This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) outlines the third FY 2023 allocations to states for ASA Refugee Support Services (ASA RSS) base funding, which totals \$106.3 million. This amount includes ASA RSS for housing assistance, legal services as described in [ORR PL 22-11](#), outreach to Attached Afghan Minors (AAMs) as described in [ORR PL 22-03](#), and extended case management and community orientation as described in [ORR PL 23-03](#).

For a description of eligible populations, priorities, service requirements, considerations regarding equity and inclusion, and reporting and monitoring requirements for ASA-funded RSS programming, reference the relevant sections within [ORR PL 22-03](#).

### Funding Formula and Allocations Chart

The chart below displays the third allocation of FY 2023 ASA RSS base funding and the “Number of People” used to determine the allocations. For the “Number of People” totals, ORR used data recorded in the Hummingbird database, service data from the ORR Refugee Arrivals Data System (RADS), and data from the Refugee Processing Center START system.

As described in [DCL 23-25](#), these funds must be obligated by September 30, 2025, and liquidated by September 30, 2026.

**FY 2023 Third ASA RSS Base Allocation**

State	Number of People	Allocation
Alabama	79	\$94,936
Alaska	113	\$135,794
Arizona	2,166	\$2,602,917
Arkansas	233	\$280,000
California	12,395	\$14,895,267
Colorado	2,640	\$3,172,530
Connecticut	994	\$1,194,506

State	Number of People	Allocation
Delaware	58	\$69,700
District of Columbia	44	\$52,876
Florida	2,095	\$2,517,595
Georgia	2,187	\$2,628,153
Hawaii	2	\$2,403
Idaho	557	\$669,356
Illinois	2,201	\$2,644,977
Indiana	936	\$1,124,806
Iowa	1,000	\$1,201,716
Kansas	853	\$1,025,064
Kentucky	1,320	\$1,586,265
Louisiana	64	\$76,910
Maine	261	\$313,648
Maryland	2,442	\$2,934,590
Massachusetts	2,125	\$2,553,646
Michigan	1,870	\$2,247,209
Minnesota	1,424	\$1,711,244
Mississippi	6	\$7,210
Missouri	1,936	\$2,326,522
Montana	116	\$139,399
Nebraska	1,431	\$1,719,656
Nevada	339	\$407,382
New Hampshire	195	\$234,335
New Jersey	874	\$1,050,300
New Mexico	523	\$628,497
New York	2,889	\$3,471,757
North Carolina	1,938	\$2,328,926
North Dakota	74	\$88,927
Ohio	1,852	\$2,225,578
Oklahoma	1,908	\$2,292,874
Oregon	816	\$980,600
Pennsylvania	2,790	\$3,352,788
Rhode Island	332	\$398,970
South Carolina	481	\$578,025
South Dakota	15	\$18,026
Tennessee	749	\$900,085
Texas	14,132	\$16,982,650
Utah	1,036	\$1,244,978
Vermont	317	\$380,944
Virginia	9,648	\$11,594,156
Washington	5,083	\$6,108,322
West Virginia	10	\$12,017

State	Number of People	Allocation
Wisconsin	915	\$1,099,570
<b>Total</b>	<b>88,464</b>	<b>\$106,308,602</b>

## Resources

Please direct any questions about this DCL or ASA RSS allocations to your ORR Regional Representative/Regional Analyst or ORR's Division of Refugee Assistance, at [DRAprograms@acf.hhs.gov](mailto: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 of your work to support the well-being of these new Afghan arrivals.

Sincerely,

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