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Refugee Health Promotion Refugee Support Services Set-Aside: FY 2024 Funding

Dear Colleague Letter 24-08

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Dear Colleague:

ORR will issue Refugee Health Promotion (RHP) funding to States¹ as a “set-aside” within the fiscal year (FY) 2024² Refugee Support Services (RSS) formula Refugee and Entrant Assistance (REA) allocation. This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) explains ORR’s method of determining RHP FY 2024 allocations and details the funding amounts, contingent on federal funds available upon enactment of the FY 2024 federal funding law. Program goals, services, eligible populations, and requirements are described in [ORR Policy Letter \(PL\) 20-05, Refugee Health Promotion Program Transitions to Refugee Support Services Set-Aside Program](#) and [ORR PL 22-06, Refugee Mental Health Initiative within the Refugee Health Promotion Program](#).

Qualification for FY 2024 Allocations

FY 2024 is the qualifying first year of a four-year qualification period, ending September 30, 2027, for the RHP Program. ORR extended this RHP qualification period to four years to align with the other RSS set-aside programs’ current qualification period ending September 30, 2027. States that had 50 or more eligible individuals who arrived/were served in FY 2021 and FY 2022 (combined), as shown in the chart below, qualify for funding. States that qualified for FY 2024 funding will remain eligible to receive RHP set-aside funding without needing to requalify for the subsequent three years.

Basis for Funding

The FY 2024 allocations to States are based on the number of ORR-eligible individuals who arrived/were served in FY 2021 and FY 2022 (combined), as reported in the ORR-5 and verified against a number of federal sources in the ORR Refugee Arrivals Data System (RADS). ORR will use this two-year lookback period to determine RSS allocations, providing a level of funding stability in response to the variance in arrivals during the relevant time period.

FY 2024 Allocations Chart

The chart below documents the number of eligible individuals who arrived/were served in each state in FY 2021 and FY 2022 and the State’s corresponding funding allocation for the RHP Program for FY 2024. As required under

¹ “States” throughout this DCL refers to States and Replacement Designees (RDs) funded to administer RSS.

² October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024.

ORR regulation 45 C.F.R. §400.210, these funds must be obligated by September 30, 2025, and liquidated by September 30, 2026.

On October 20, 2023, the Office of Management and Budget [submitted a request to Congress for emergency supplemental funding](#), which is necessary to provide resettlement assistance to ORR-eligible populations. Until there is Congressional action providing a full-year appropriation, ORR's annual funding levels remain uncertain. Absent supplemental funding, funds for the remainder of FY 2024 will be extremely limited.

FY 2024 RHP Allocations by State

State	Total Arrived/Served FY 2021 & FY 2022	Allocation
Alabama	112	\$100,000
Alaska	51	\$100,000
Arizona	4,023	\$819,570
Arkansas	172	\$100,000
California	15,120	\$1,000,000
Colorado	2,613	\$532,323
Connecticut	498	\$125,000
Delaware	82	\$100,000
District Of Columbia	222	\$100,000
Florida	144,321	\$2,000,000
Georgia	2,959	\$602,811
Idaho	835	\$170,107
Illinois	1,848	\$376,477
Indiana	1,179	\$240,187
Iowa	980	\$199,647
Kansas	1,179	\$240,187
Kentucky	11,036	\$1,000,000
Louisiana	631	\$150,000
Maine	314	\$125,000
Maryland	4,399	\$896,168
Massachusetts	2,466	\$502,376
Michigan	2,809	\$572,253
Minnesota	1,719	\$350,197
Missouri	1,757	\$357,938
Montana	107	\$100,000
Nebraska	2,202	\$448,594

State	Total Arrived/Served FY 2021 & FY 2022	Allocation
Nevada	3,936	\$801,847
New Hampshire	399	\$125,000
New Jersey	5,092	\$1,000,000
New Mexico	594	\$150,000
New York	4,122	\$839,739
North Carolina	2,087	\$425,166
North Dakota	260	\$100,000
Ohio	1,834	\$373,625
Oklahoma	498	\$125,000
Oregon	743	\$151,365
Pennsylvania	2,415	\$491,987
Rhode Island	450	\$125,000
South Carolina	634	\$150,000
South Dakota	237	\$100,000
Tennessee	2,153	\$438,612
Texas	31,754	\$1,500,000
Utah	991	\$201,888
Vermont	172	\$100,000
Virginia	3,376	\$687,763
Washington	3,173	\$646,407
Wisconsin	1,189	\$242,225
Total	269,743	\$20,084,459

Explanation of Allocations

FY 2024 allocations fall into the following three tiers.

- 1) A maximum funding tier for states that had 5,000 or more individuals arrive/were served, which was further broken down to:
 - a. 50,000 or more eligible individuals (\$2,000,000)
 - b. 20,000-49,999 eligible individuals (\$1,500,000)
 - c. 5,000-19,999 eligible individuals (\$1,000,000)
- 2) A per capita funding tier for states that had arrivals/served between 700 - 4,999 eligible individuals; and
- 3) A lower funding tier for states that had arrivals/served between 50 - 699 eligible individuals, which was further broken down to:
 - a. 500-699 eligible individuals (\$150,000)
 - b. 300-499 eligible individuals (\$125,000)
 - c. 50-299 eligible individuals (\$100,000)

The goal of the tiered system is to ensure states with similar numbers of ORR-eligible individuals arrived/served receive comparable funding, and states with lower arrived/served numbers have sufficient funding for program sustainability.

Please note that although the allocation reflected is based on ORR-eligible individuals arrived/served for FY 2021 and FY 2022, the service population includes all arrivals for the past five-year period.

Resources

Please direct any questions about this DCL or the RHP program to your ORR Division of Refugee Health (DRH) Health Liaison. We also encourage you to use ORR's [Technical Assistance provider\(s\)](#) for additional resources on serving ORR-eligible populations.

Sincerely,

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