ASSISTING FORCIBLY DISPLACED PEOPLE FROM AFGHANISTAN

HOW CAN WE HELP?

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Federal Response

• **Operation Allies Welcome**
  • ~37,000 have been resettled
  • ~35,000 remain on military bases to be processed and resettled

• **Sponsor Circles Program**
  • New program to get more U.S. citizens involved
  • First families in program began resettling on **December 7**

As of October, the last number we found for Wisconsin is now 850.
International Education Resources

• **IIE** – [Student Emergency Initiatives](#)

• **NAFSA** – [Assisting Afghan Students and Scholars](#)

• **AACRAO**
  - Support [A26 Backpack](#)
  - Download [Inclusive Admissions Policies/Toolkit](#)

• **WAIE** – “What’s Up Wisconsin” [Supporting Afghan Refugees](#) presentation

• **MCIE** – as with today, contact folks within MCIE if you have questions
Wisconsin Response

- **Wisconsin Department of Family and Child Services**
  - Volunteer
  - Donate
  - Fundraise
  - Advocate
  - Connect

- **WI Refugee Resettlement**
  - International Institute of Wisconsin (Milwaukee)
  - Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan (Milwaukee)
  - World Relief Fox Valley (Oshkosh and Appleton)
  - Jewish Social Services (Madison)
  - Ethiopian Community Development Council (Wausau)
  - Catholic Charities (Green Bay)

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Further Wisconsin Resources

- **Fort McCoy** Resettlement Amazon [wishlist](#)
- **Salvation Army** Fort McCoy Walmart registry
- **Catholic Charities of La Crosse** registries
- **Catholic Charities of Milwaukee** collections
- **Milwaukee Muslim Women’s Coalition** relief fund and volunteer opportunities
- **Islamic Society of Milwaukee** donations
- **Literacy Services** in Milwaukee
- **Team Rubicon** Amazon [wishlists](#)

- **Community Services Agency, Inc. (COMSA)** in Green Bay, seeking [interpreters and other volunteers](#)
- **Winnebago Area Literacy Council** in Oshkosh
- **New Beginnings** in Wausau, seeking volunteers and donations
- **Forward Services Corporation** in Madison, [Road to Livelihood](#)
- **Literacy Network** in Madison

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