

# Refugee School Impact Program 2021-2022

November 4, 2021





#### **ELIGIBLE BENEFICIARIES**

A refugee is "someone who is unable or unwilling to return to their country of origin owing to a well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion."

For our program, the term "refugee" is used to encompass the following eligible immigration statuses:

- Refugee
- Asylee
- Certified Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking
- Amerasian
- Cuban-Haitian Entrant
- Certain eligible minors with Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) who are receiving services as Unaccompanied Refugee Minors
- Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrants Visas (SIV) Holders
- Afghan parolees with "SI/SQ" coding
- Afghan humanitarian parolees\*



#### **STATE PRIORITIES**

- Only direct student programs, parent engagement and professional development activities are allowable.
- Direct student programs may only include academic, English acquisition, and enrichment activities for refugee students during the 2021-2022 school year & summer months of 2022.



#### **PRIORITY PARTICIPANTS**

Programs will focus on serving refugee children:

 primarily ages 5 to 18, and <u>in the country less than 5 years (for</u> <u>both elementary and secondary).</u>

**Programs will prioritize:** 

- children in the country less than one year, and
- secondary students.



#### **REFUGEE DOCUMENTATION**

- As required by the Code of Federal Regulations, 45 CFR 400.43(a), individuals seeking to participate in RSIP <u>must</u> <u>provide documentation of their refugee status</u>.
- Grantees must secure copies of I-94s, Green Cards or other immigration document verifying that participant is eligible for refugee services.



#### **REFUGEE DOCUMENTATION**

SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION ONLY FOR INDIVIDUALS SERVED.

Documents should confirm:

- Eligibility for refugee services (Refugee, asylee, etc.)
- Time in the U.S. (Date of Arrival)
- **Age** of student, generally between the ages of 5 and 18 (Date of Birth)
- A# (paper Form I-94/Transportation Letter), Passport Number (electronic I-94), Registration # (Visa), or USCIS# (Permanent Resident Card).



#### CONFIDENTIALITY

 Any <u>paper records</u> must be protected by storing the records in a secure area which is only accessible to authorized personnel. When not in use, such records must be stored in a locked container to which only authorized persons have access.







 Eligibility documentation should be mailed, not emailed.



EXTRA DOCUMENTATION for those over 18 years old

- Submit course schedule to document that student is enrolled full-time in high school.
- Maintain student assessments that verify needs for services.



#### **BACKGROUND CHECKS**

- Ensure that staff and volunteers who will have unsupervised access to children served under this contract have completed and received a satisfactory criminal history background check before providing services to children under this contract.
- Submit documentation that background checks have been completed for all staff and volunteers providing services to children under this contract.



#### MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

Records and materials related to this contract (including accounting procedures reflecting costs expended in performance of contract) must be maintained for at least six years after the contract expires.



#### FEDERAL REGULATIONS

- Drug-Free Workplace
- Pro-Children Act (Smoking is <u>prohibited</u> in facilities where federally funded children's services are provided.)
- Funded services must be <u>kept separate</u> from religious activities.
- Funds may NOT be used for lobbying or influencing proposed or pending federal/state legislation/appropriations.
- Trafficking Victims Protection Act (NOT engage in severe forms of trafficking, procure commercial sex act, use forced labor in performance of award)
- Funds may NOT be used for construction or purchase of land.
  \*Administrative Requirements of Administration for Children & Families (ACF)
  General Terms & Conditions Mandatory, Formula, Block & Enrichment Grant Programs.



#### STATE REGULATIONS

- Child Abuse, Health & Safety Concerns: First concern children's health and safety; Immediately report suspected abuse to CPS.
- Culturally Relevant Services: Ensure services are provided in the cultural context of the individual and/or individual's family.
- Interpretation and Translation Services: Provide interpreter/translation as necessary to meet contract obligations.
- Transportation of Clients: Transportation of clients is not a required service. If you choose to transport clients, it is without SOWA's authorization & solely at your own risk.



#### FAILURE TO MEET MINIMUM #

Failure to serve 90% of the required minimum number of refugee children will result in payment reductions. Funding will be reduced in proportion to the number of children served (for example, serving 80% of the required minimum number of children will result in a 20% funding reduction).



#### **GRANT TIMELINE**

- October 1, 2021 Contract start date
- October 29, 2021 1<sup>st</sup> Installment paperwork is due
- Spring 2022 SOWA conducts monitoring visits
- Spring 2022 Grantee Convening
- April 8, 2022
  2<sup>nd</sup> Installment paperwork is due
- August 31, 2022 Expend all funds
- September 2, 2022 Final Installment paperwork is due



#### NARRATIVE REPORTS

- Please include the activities of and responses from your community partner(s).
- Please state only new information or new activities.
- DO NOT DUPLICATE

INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED.





#### STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

Track progress of students ELIGIBLE FOR REFUGEE SERVICES & RECEIVING SERVICES FUNDED BY RSIP.

	Student's Last Name	Student's First Name	Gender	Current Grade Level		y of Jence	Did Student Receive School Orientation ?	RSIP Dire Studen Service(	t	Service Provider	Date of 1 <sup>st</sup> RSIP Service in the 2021- 2022 School Year or 2022 Summer
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#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

- Year-to-date expenditures during monitoring visit.
- In May, phone call to re-visit progress on expenditures and progress towards serving targeted student numbers.
- Funds must be expended by August 31, 2022. With final report, submit year-to-date expenditures and encumbered expenses.



#### MONITORING

#### School's Out conducts monitoring

 During the contract period, School's Out will monitor districts/community partner at least once. (See program in operation. Clarify paperwork. Hear about successes/challenges. Answer questions.) If in-person monitoring is not feasible, conduct virtual monitoring.

#### **District conducts monitoring**

- During the contract period, the district must conduct at least one on-site (or virtual) visit to each partner to monitor for contract compliance and quality assurance. *School's Out should be contacted if there are issues or concerns.*
- Provide district monitoring information on narrative. (Please complete this section if you conducted a monitoring of your community partner during this reporting period.)

Date of Monitoring	
Community Organization & Program Information	
Description of Assessment and Findings	
Were there any compliance issues? (If yes, please explain issues and describe process for resolving issues.)	



#### **COVID-19 VACCINATION REQUIREMENT**

The Contractor shall abide by the vaccination requirements of Governor Jay Inslee's Proclamation 21-14.1. Contractor staff who are reasonably likely or contractually obligated to engage in work while physically present at a building, facility, jobsite, project site, unit, or other defined area owned, leased, occupied by, or controlled by DSHS after October 18, 2021 must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 unless they have been granted a valid disability or religious accommodation by Contractor. Contractor shall obtain a copy of, or visually observe proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 for all staff who are subject to the vaccination requirement in the Governor's Order. Contractor shall follow the requirements for granting disability and religious accommodations to Contractor's Staff that apply to State Agencies under the Governor's Order. Contractor and Contractor staff shall provide proof of such vaccination or accommodation upon request by DSHS. Contractor shall cooperate with any investigation or inquiry DSHS makes into the employer's compliance with these requirements, including by providing information and records upon request, except any information or records that the employer is prohibited by law from disclosing.



#### FUNDED DISTRICTS & CBOS

- 1. Auburn School District partnering with International Rescue Committee
- 2. Everett School District partnering with International Rescue Committee
- 3. Federal Way School District partnering with International Rescue Committee
- 4. Highline School District partnering with International Rescue Committee
- 5. Kennewick School District partnering with Family Learning Center
- 6. Kent School District partnering with Communities of Rooted Brilliance, Living Well Kent, and World Relief
- 7. Spokane School District partnering with World Relief
- 8. Tukwila School District partnering with International Rescue Committee























## **ANY QUESTIONS?**

