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Afghan Youth Mentoring Supplemental: FY 2022

Dear Colleague Letter 22-15

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Dear Colleague:

The Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriation Act, 2022, and Additional Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (ASA) provided the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) with appropriations to serve certain citizens or nationals of Afghanistan resettled to the United States. This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) announces the FY 2022 ASA-funded Afghan Youth Mentoring (AYM) supplement to states[2] within the Refugee Support Services (RSS) Youth Mentoring (YM) set-aside program, which totals $13 million. This DCL explains ORR's method of determining the FY 2022 AYM allocations and provides the specific funding amounts for eligible states.

For a description of eligible populations, see ORR Policy Letter(PL) 22-10 *Afghan Populations Eligible for ASA-Funded ORR Services*. While AYM programming is limited to ASA-eligible participants, its benefits and services are the same as those under traditional YM, and it is governed by the YM guidance delineated in ORR PL 22-09 *Youth Mentoring Program*. Therefore, for considerations regarding program goals and services, and reporting and monitoring requirements, see ORR PL 22-09.

Qualification for the FY 2022 AYM Supplement
In order for states to receive the FY 2022 AYM supplement, the state must have received at least 10 ASA-eligible youth (ages 15-24) who departed a Safe Haven to their new communities as recorded in the Hummingbird database through March 1, 2022.

FY 2022 AYM Allocations Chart
The chart below documents the "Number of ASA-Eligible Youth (Ages 15-24)" described above, and the corresponding funding allocations for the FY 2022 AYM supplement. Pursuant to 45 C.F.R. § 400.210(b), states must obligate these funds by September 30, 2023, and liquidate the funds by September 30, 2024.

FY 2022 AYM Allocations Chart

State	Number of ASA-Eligible Youth (Ages 15-24)	FY 2022 AYM Allocations
Alabama	13	$35,000
Alaska	15	$35,000
Arizona	426	$394,485
Arkansas	38	$50,000
California	1,940	$1,796,481

[1] Revised second paragraph.
[2] Throughout this DCL, the term "states" refers to states and replacement designees.

Colorado	380	$351,888
Connecticut	122	$112,975
Delaware	24	$35,000
Florida	424	$392,633
Georgia	337	$312,069
Idaho	83	$76,860
Illinois	448	$414,857
Indiana	132	$122,235
Iowa	191	$176,870
Kansas	125	$115,753
Kentucky	183	$169,462
Louisiana	20	$35,000
Maine	46	$50,000
Maryland	399	$369,482
Massachusetts	431	$399,115
Michigan	320	$296,327
Minnesota	242	$224,097
Missouri	311	$287,993
Montana	21	$35,000
Nebraska	239	$221,319
Nevada	66	$61,117
New Hampshire	17	$35,000
New Jersey	154	$142,607
New Mexico	90	$83,342
New York	503	$465,789
North Carolina	308	$285,215
North Dakota	10	$35,000
Ohio	349	$323,181
Oklahoma	333	$308,365
Oregon	124	$114,827
Pennsylvania	462	$427,822
Rhode Island	67	$62,043
South Carolina	77	$71,304
Tennessee	154	$142,607
Texas	1,975	$1,828,892
Utah	195	$180,574
Vermont	39	$50,000
Virginia	1,235	$1,143,636
Washington	627	$580,615
Wisconsin	160	$148,163
Total	**13,855**	**$13,000,000**

Explanation of Allocations
ORR allocated the FY 2022 AYM supplement based on the following tiers: 1) a per capita tier for states with 60 or more ASA-eligible youth; and 2) a floor tier for states with 10-59 ASA-eligible youth. ORR further separated the floor tier as follows: states with between 25-59 ASA-eligible youth ($50,000) and between 10-24 ($35,000).

Resources
Please direct any questions about this DCL to your ORR Regional Representative/Regional Analyst. ORR also encourages you to utilize ORR's Technical Assistance provider(s) for additional resources on serving ORR-eligible populations.

We appreciate all your work to support the integration and well-being of these new Afghan arrivals.

Sincerely,

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