ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES
Office of Refugee Resettlement

Ukrainian Refugee Support Services: FY 2023 Third Allocation

September 29, 2023
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Dear Colleague Letter 23-37

Dear Colleague:

The Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (AUSAA) provided the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) specific appropriations to provide services to support Ukrainian populations and other non-Ukrainian individuals as delineated in ORR Policy Letter 22-13. This Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) outlines the third FY 2023 AUSAA allocation to States[2] for Refugee Support Services (RSS) base funding, which totals $22.0 million.

For a description of eligible populations, priorities, service requirements, and reporting and monitoring requirements for AUSAA RSS, reference the relevant sections within ORR PL 22-15, *Refugee Support Services Funded by the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act*, as well as legal services as described in ORR PL 23-05.

Funding Formula and Allocations Chart

ORR used the following data to determine the "Number of People" and "Allocation" totals included in the FY 2023 AUSAA RSS Base Allocations Table:

- Service data from the ORR Refugee Arrivals Data System (RADS), submitted by States; and
- Arrival data from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

In determining allocations, ORR gave equal weight to both data sets. The percentages derived from each state's proportion of the arrivals in each data set were averaged, and the funding for each state was calculated by applying this percentage to the total amount of AUSAA RSS base funds available for this allocation.

The chart below documents the second allocations for AUSAA RSS base funding for FY 2023. As described in ORR DCL 23-25, these funds must be obligated by September 30, 2025, and must be liquidated by September 30, 2026.

[1] Revised second paragraph.
[2] The term "states" throughout this DCL refers to states and replacement designees (RDs) that receive RSS funding from ORR.

State Name	State-Submitted ORR-5 Data		DHS Beneficiary Arrival Data		Combined Average	Allocation
	Total	%	Total	%		
Alabama	94	0.47%	467	0.30%	0.38%	$84,786
Alaska	343	1.73%	797	0.51%	1.12%	$245,918
Arizona	162	0.82%	832	0.53%	0.67%	$148,022
Arkansas	16	0.08%	279	0.18%	0.13%	$28,390
California	1,628	8.19%	20,484	13.01%	10.60%	$2,335,710
Colorado	516	2.60%	1,916	1.22%	1.91%	$420,118
Connecticut	114	0.57%	2,312	1.47%	1.02%	$224,960
Delaware	2	0.01%	296	0.19%	0.10%	$21,818
District Of Columbia	35	0.18%	362	0.23%	0.20%	$44,731
Florida	1,190	5.99%	10,059	6.39%	6.19%	$1,363,502
Georgia	13	0.07%	2,830	1.80%	0.93%	$205,208
Hawaii	25	0.13%	160	0.10%	0.11%	$25,054
Idaho	623	3.14%	1,804	1.15%	2.14%	$471,601
Illinois	1,008	5.07%	20,042	12.73%	8.90%	$1,961,065
Indiana	106	0.53%	1,394	0.89%	0.71%	$156,297
Iowa	11	0.06%	691	0.44%	0.25%	$54,444
Kansas	47	0.24%	375	0.24%	0.24%	$52,293
Kentucky	383	1.93%	1,251	0.79%	1.36%	$299,857
Louisiana	37	0.19%	503	0.32%	0.25%	$55,705
Maine	38	0.19%	176	0.11%	0.15%	$33,381
Maryland	339	1.71%	1,700	1.08%	1.39%	$306,879
Massachusetts	845	4.25%	2,374	1.51%	2.88%	$634,556
Michigan	443	2.23%	3,883	2.47%	2.35%	$517,269
Minnesota	436	2.19%	1,746	1.11%	1.65%	$363,873
Mississippi	38	0.19%	310	0.20%	0.19%	$42,756
Missouri	257	1.29%	1,930	1.23%	1.26%	$277,511
Montana	-	0.00%	230	0.15%	0.07%	$16,092
Nebraska	216	1.09%	731	0.46%	0.78%	$170,893
Nevada	112	0.56%	687	0.44%	0.50%	$110,158
New Hampshire	124	0.62%	360	0.23%	0.43%	$93,932
New Jersey	421	2.12%	6,455	4.10%	3.11%	$685,022
New Mexico	4	0.02%	135	0.09%	0.05%	$11,663
New York	3,440	17.31%	17,564	11.16%	14.24%	$3,135,962

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	Total	%	Total	%		
North Carolina	249	1.25%	3,810	2.42%	1.84%	$404,610
North Dakota	65	0.33%	238	0.15%	0.24%	$52,687
Ohio	27	0.14%	5,023	3.19%	1.66%	$366,403
Oklahoma	42	0.21%	488	0.31%	0.26%	$57,427
Oregon	81	0.41%	3,609	2.29%	1.35%	$297,410
Pennsylvania	572	2.88%	8,982	5.71%	4.29%	$945,537
Rhode Island	18	0.09%	149	0.09%	0.09%	$20,404
South Carolina	41	0.21%	2,517	1.60%	0.90%	$198,832
South Dakota	121	0.61%	321	0.20%	0.41%	$89,540
Tennessee	398	2.00%	1,283	0.81%	1.41%	$310,412
Texas	876	4.41%	4,993	3.17%	3.79%	$834,981
Utah	229	1.15%	721	0.46%	0.81%	$177,400
Vermont	29	0.15%	135	0.09%	0.12%	$25,523
Virginia	258	1.30%	2,031	1.29%	1.29%	$285,132
Washington	3,652	18.38%	15,685	9.96%	14.17%	$3,122,032
West Virginia	23	0.12%	1,100	0.70%	0.41%	$89,713
Wisconsin	121	0.61%	1,210	0.77%	0.69%	$151,739
Grand Total	**19,868**	**100.00%**	**157,430**	**100.00%**	**100.00%**	**$22,029,208**

Resources

Please direct any questions about this DCL or AUSAA RSS allocations to your ORR Regional Representative/Regional Analyst or ORR's Division of Refugee Assistance, at 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 Ukrainian arrivals.

Sincerely,

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