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Fiscal Year 2019 Refugee School Impact Support Services Set-Aside

Dear Colleague Letter 18-07

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Dear Colleague:

ORR will issue Refugee School Impact (RSI) funding to states as a “set-aside” within the fiscal year (FY) 2019¹ Refugee Support Services (RSS) formula allocation. This letter details RSI FY 2019 allocation determinations and final amounts. An upcoming Policy Letter will outline program goals and recommended services, as well as program reporting and monitoring activities.

FY 2019 Allocations

The FY 2019 allocations to states, Wilson/Fish programs, and replacement designees are based on the number of ORR-eligible individuals, aged 5-18, who were served within FY 2017, as reported in the ORR Refugee Arrivals Data System (RADS). States, Wilson/Fish programs, and replacement designees that served at least 60 ORR-eligible individuals, aged 5-18, qualify for funding.

The chart below documents the number of eligible individuals served in each state in FY 2017 and the corresponding funding allocations for the RSI program for FY 2019. The proposed allocations are based on the availability of federal funding and will be included in the quarterly FY 2019 RSS allocation as a “set-aside.”

As required under ORR regulation 45 C.F.R. §400.210, these funds must be obligated by September 30, 2020, and must be liquidated by September 30, 2021.

STATE, WILSON - FISH PROGRAM, REPLACEMENT DESIGNEE	TOTAL SERVED FY17 (60> SERVED) AGED 5-18	FY19 ALLOCATION
California	4,059	1,000,000
Florida	3,903	1,000,000
Texas	3,218	1,000,000
New York	1,461	903,863
Washington	1,225	757,859
Virginia	1,192	737,444
Arizona	1,026	634,746
Ohio	1,016	628,559
Michigan	987	610,618
Pennsylvania	839	519,056
Kentucky	802	496,166
Georgia	742	459,046
Maryland	738	456,572
North Carolina	730	451,622
Illinois	661	408,935
Minnesota	591	365,628
Missouri	563	348,306

STATE, WILSON - FISH PROGRAM, REPLACEMENT DESIGNEE	TOTAL SERVED FY17 (60+ SERVED) AGED 5-18	FY19 ALLOCATION
Colorado	521	322,322
Massachusetts	458	283,347
Nebraska	457	282,728
Tennessee	446	275,923
Oregon	393	243,134
Wisconsin	358	221,481
Indiana	339	209,726
Utah	310	191,785
Nevada	276	170,750
Iowa	267	165,182
Idaho	244	150,953
Connecticut	217	134,249
Kansas	196	125,000
Maine	164	125,000
New Jersey	159	125,000
North Dakota	152	125,000
New Hampshire	117	100,000
South Dakota	108	100,000
Vermont	84	75,000
New Mexico	81	75,000
South Carolina	79	75,000
Rhode Island	77	75,000
Oklahoma	71	75,000
Louisiana	63	75,000
Total	29,390	14,580,000

Other states not funded:

STATE	TOTAL SERVED
Alabama	29
Montana	27
Arkansas	26
Alaska	24
Mississippi	14
District Of Columbia	12
Delaware	5
West Virginia	3
Hawaii	0

Explanation of Allocations

FY 2019 allocations fall into the following tiers: 1) a maximum tier of \$1 million in funding to states that served over 3,000 eligible individuals; 2) a per capita tier for states that served between 200-1,500 eligible individuals; and 3) a floor tier for states that served between 60-199 eligible individuals, which was further broken down to 60-99 individuals (\$75,000), 100-149 individuals (\$100,000), and 150-199 individuals (\$125,000).

Resources

Please direct any questions about this Dear Colleague Letter or the RSI program to your ORR Regional Representative. We also encourage you to utilize ORR's **Technical Assistance provider(s)** (<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/resource/technical-assistance-providers-1>) for additional resources on serving refugees.

Sincerely,
E. Scott Lloyd, Director
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Footnote:

1. October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

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