

Refugee Resettlement

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- **Refugee:** *"owing to a well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion, is outside the country of her/his nationality, and is unable to, or owing to such fear, is unwilling to avail himself/herself of the protection of that country."*



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- Additional “refugee-eligible” populations include asylees, certified victims of trafficking (VOTs), Cuban – Haitian Entrants Special Immigrant Visa holders (SIVs), Unaccompanied Refugee Minors (URMs).



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Region	Regional Ceiling FY 2015	Primary populations
Africa	17,000	Somalis in Kenya and Ethiopia; Eritreans in Ethiopia, Congolese
East Asia	13,000	Burmese in Thailand and Malaysia
Europe and Central Asia	1,000	Religious minorities from the former Soviet Union
Latin America	4,000	Cubans (many) and Colombians (few)
N. East/ S. Asia	33,000	Iraqis, Iranian religious minorities, Bhutanese in Nepal
Unallocated Reserve	2,000	Available for use as needed for any region
Total	70,000	



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Region	Regional Ceiling FY 2016	Primary populations
Africa	25,000	Somalis in Kenya and Ethiopia; Eritreans in Ethiopia, Congolese
East Asia	13,000	Burmese in Thailand and Malaysia
Europe and Central Asia	4,000	Religious minorities from the former Soviet Union
Latin America	3,000	Cubans (many) and Colombians (few)
N. East/ S. Asia	34,000	Iraqis, Iranian religious minorities, Bhutanese in Nepal
Unallocated Reserve	6,000	Available for use as needed for any region
Total	85,000	



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Recent trends:

- 2012 – 58,000 refugees resettled.
- 2013 – 69,730 refugees resettled.
- 2014 – 69,987 refugees resettled.
- 2015 – 69,933 refugees resettled.



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- 2012 – 2,039 refugees (1458)
refugee eligible (581)
- 2013 – 2,410 refugees (1789)
refugee eligible (621)
- 2014 – 2,496 refugees (1813)
refugee eligible (683)
- 2015 – 2,250 refugees (1735)
refugee eligible (515)



Proposed to PRM 2016			
Affiliate	Individuals with U.S. Ties	Individuals Without U.S. Ties	Total Approved for FY 2016 (Individuals)
LIRS - Colorado Springs	80	70	150
LIRS - Colorado Springs (URM)	0	10	10
ECDC - Denver	420	105	525
EMM - Denver	200	0	200
LIRS - Denver	490	110	600
LIRS - Denver (URM)	0	10	10
LIRS - Greeley	165	0	165
Total - Colorado	1355	305	1660
Denver	1335		
Colorado Springs	160		
Greeley	165		

- Between 1.5%-3% of refugees resettling in U.S. come to Colorado.
- Current largest populations: Communities from Burma, Bhutanese, Iraqis, Somalis.
- Refugees are resettled in Denver metropolitan area, Colorado Springs, Greeley, Ft. Morgan, Ft. Collins.

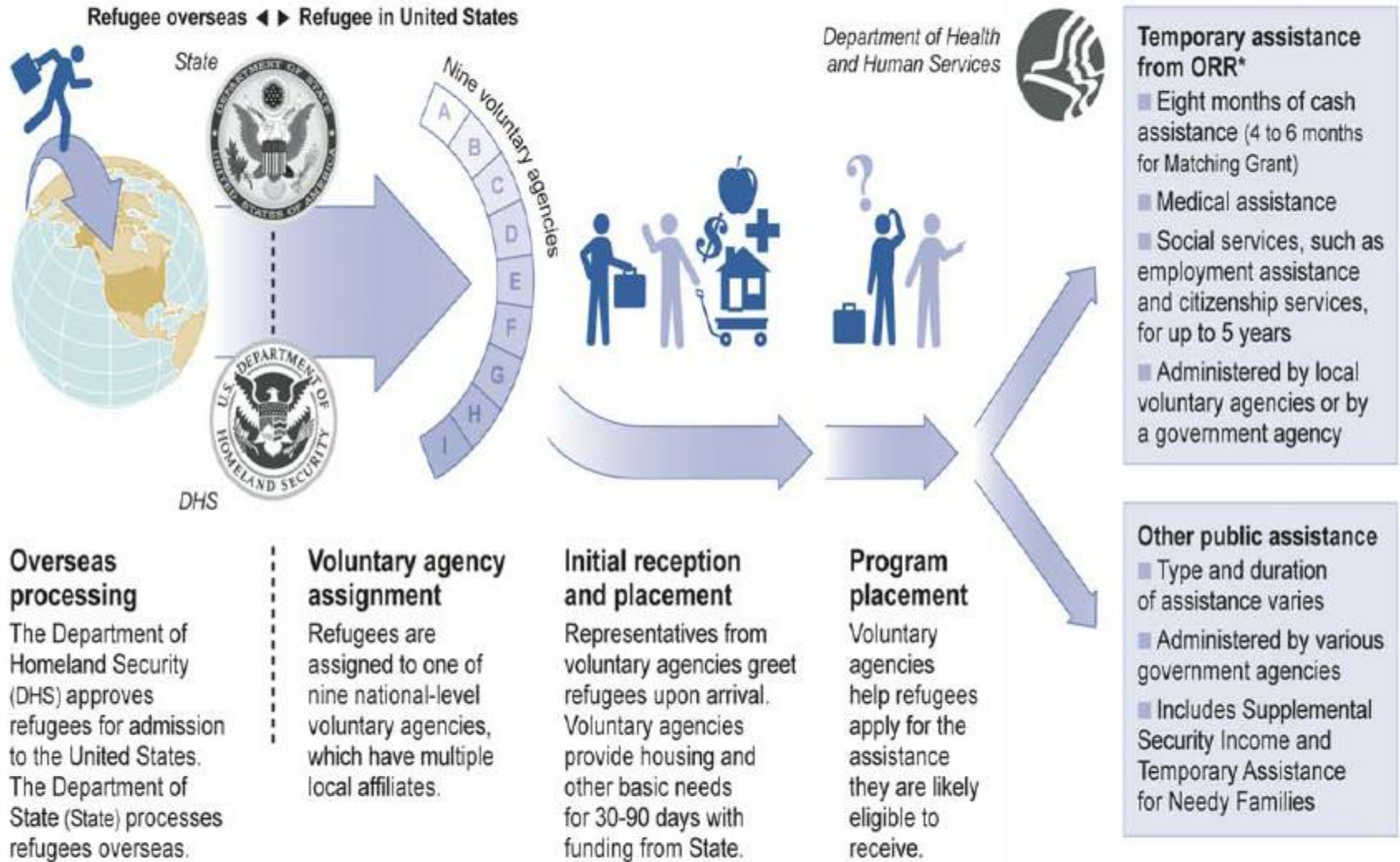


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