

# The Georgia Refugee Program

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# Vision, Mission and Core Values

## *Vision*

**Stronger Families for a Stronger Georgia.**

## *Mission*

**Strengthen Georgia by providing Individuals and Families access to services that promote self-sufficiency, independence, and protect Georgia's vulnerable children and adults.**

## *Core Values*

- **Provide access to resources that offer support and empower Georgians and their families.**
- **Deliver services professionally and treat all clients with dignity and respect. Manage business operations effectively and efficiently by aligning resources across the agency.**
- **Promote accountability, transparency and quality in all services we deliver and programs we administer.**
- **Develop our employees at all levels of the agency.**

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# Overview of The Georgia Refugee Program

- The Georgia Refugee Program is 100% federally funded.
- Refugees arrive in the U.S. with legal resident status and are entitled to all of the rights and responsibilities of legal residents.
- Refugees have access to and are eligible for all services that Georgians are entitled to as citizens and are held to the same eligibility guidelines.
- Refugees are entitled to receive Refugee Medical Assistance and Refugee Cash Assistance for the first 8 months of their stay in Georgia or any state. These funds are 100% reimbursed to the State.

# Newly Arrived Refugees in Georgia: Five-Year Trend

County	SFY 2007	SFY 2008	SFY 2009	SFY 2010	SFY 2011	5 Year Total
Barrow	5				5	10
Bartow	3	1				4
Bibb				3		3
Catoosa					7	7
Chatham		2	3			5
Cherokee	5		5	11	3	24
Clarke		7	2	7	5	21
Clayton	21	19	10	9	1	60
Clinch			3			3
Cobb	33	18	39	27	1	118
Colquitt			9	5	6	20
Columbia			5	1		6
Coweta			26	2		28
Dawson			4			4
DeKalb	924	1,480	2,491	2,109	1,941	8,945
Douglas		3		1		4
<b>State Total</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>3,518</b>	<b>3,102</b>	<b>2,804</b>	<b>12,703</b>

Source: Worldwide Refugee Admissions Processing System (WRAPS) Db

Counties without an entry means that no **newly arrived** refugees were settled in that community that year.

# Newly Arrived Refugees in Georgia: Five-Year Trend, continued

County	SFY 2007	SFY 2008	SFY 2009	SFY 2010	SFY 2011	5 Year Total
Fayette		1		1		2
Floyd			2			2
Forsyth				12		12
Fulton	130	302	643	783	758	2,616
Gwinnett	132	123	232	92	39	618
Hall		2				2
Henry				3	4	7
Houston					13	13
Jackson			13	8		21
Liberty			2			2
Lowndes		8	1			9
Madison	14	12	10		4	40
Murray		1	5		7	13
Muscogee			1	2	5	8
Newton	6	9	4			19
Rockdale	4	4		2		10
Walton	3	3	4	3		13
Whitfield		4	4	21	5	34
<b>State Total</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>3,518</b>	<b>3,102</b>	<b>2,804</b>	<b>12,703</b>

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# Refugee Expenditure by State Fiscal Year (Statewide)

State Fiscal Year	Expenditure
SFY07	\$4.9 million
SFY08	\$7.0 million
SFY09	\$8.6 million
SFY10	\$8.8 million
SFY11	\$9.9 million

The expenditures include the following: Refugee Cash Assistance, Refugee Medical Assistance, Refugee Social Service grants, Refugee TAG grants, Refugee School Impact grant, Refugee Cuban Haitian Grant, and Refugee administrative costs.

## TAG/SSG Formula Grants - \$3,973,924.00 Awarded

- Employability – \$1,167,131.00
- English Language Instruction - \$857,676.00
- Social Adjustment - \$736,800.00
- Information and Referral - \$399,152.00
- Immigration Services - \$315,300.00
- Refugee Youth Services - \$299,325.00
- Domestic Violence Prevention - \$198,540.00



# FY 2013 TAG/SSG Contract Awards

Contractor Name	SSG	TAG	Total
Atlanta Technical College	\$91,063.00	\$21,790.00	\$112,853.00
Catholic Charities *	\$77,833.00	\$46,142.00	\$123,975.00
Center for Pan Asian Community Services, Inc.	\$214,858.00	\$196,538.00	\$411,396.00
Georgia Piedmont Technical College	\$370,883.00	\$373,940.00	\$744,823.00
International Rescue Committee *	\$421,614.00	\$252,186.00	\$673,800.00
Lutheran Services of Georgia *	\$520,764.00	\$260,381.00	\$781,145.00
Refugee Family Services, Inc.	\$330,850.00	\$90,450.00	\$421,300.00
Refugee Resettlement & Immigration Service of Atlanta, Inc. *	\$82,004.00	\$185,526.00	\$267,530.00
Refugee Women's Network, Inc.	\$54,333.00	\$27,167.00	\$81,500.00
Somali American Community Center	\$12,500.00	\$6,250.00	\$18,750.00
Tapestri, Inc.	\$56,700	\$0	\$56,700.00
World Relief, Inc. *	\$151,000.00	\$129,152.00	\$280,152.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,384,402.00</b>	<b>\$1,589,522.00</b>	<b>\$3,973,924.00</b>

# Criteria for Contractor Selection

- 1. The Statement of Need process presented on July 31, 2012 was followed.**
- 2. Statement of Need sent to potentially eligible entities on August 7, 2012.**
- 3. Proposals were received from entities on August 14, 2012.**
- 4. August 15 and 16 – preliminary recommendations for contract award.**
- 5. Negotiations for contracts began upon approval from Commissioner.**
- 6. Contracted services began October 1, 2012.**

# FY 2013 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grant	Total Amount	58% Awarded	Contractors
<b>Cuban-Haitian Grant</b>	\$100,000.00	\$58,000.00	Catholic Charities, RRISA, World Relief
<b>Refugee School Impact Grant</b>	\$560,000.00	\$324,800.00	Catholic Charities, CPACS, Clarkston Community Center, DeKalb County School District, Refugee Family Services, Somali American Community Center
<b>Services to Older Refugees Grant</b>	\$100,000.00	\$58,000.00	Jewish Family and Career Services
<b>Total Discretionary Amount</b>	<b>\$760,000.00</b>	<b>\$440,800.00</b>	

# Questions

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