

REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT AGENCIES IN SAN DIEGO

ALLIANCE FOR AFRICAN ASSISTANCE

**5952 El Cajon Blvd.
San Diego CA. 92115
619-286-9052
www.alliance-for-africa.org/**

Founded in 1989, the Alliance for African Assistance has been working, with the support of our donors and volunteers, to help refugees in San Diego and sub-Saharan Africa. Our work is dedicated to funding and delivering resettlement services, health care and other services to our clients so that they can build a productive life in their new home. We strive to inspire and improve the lives of those who need assistance.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

**Refugee Services
3888 Paducah Drive
San Diego 92117
619-323-2841
www.ccdsd.org**

Since the establishment of the Diocese of San Diego in 1936, the role of Catholic Charities has been to provide social welfare programs, witness to the scriptural values of mercy and justice, and advocate for the poor and vulnerable within the diocese. Catholic Charities, while evolving over the past 100 plus years, has remained faithful to its original mandate: assist the child, the family, the immigrant, and the marginalized.

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE

**Refugee Resettlement
8804 Balboa Avenue
San Diego, Ca 92123
858-637-3210
www.jfssd.org/our-services**

Jewish Family Service is a client-centered, impact-driven organization working to build a stronger, healthier, more resilient San Diego. Founded in 1918, we are one of San Diego's most impactful non-profit human services agencies. Last year, we served more than 39,500 clients, including over 17,000 asylum seekers at the JFS Migrant Family Shelter. Our broad network of staff, volunteers, supporters, and community partners are committed to the pursuit of one shared goal: helping individuals and families in San Diego Move Forward.

INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE (IRC)

**5348 University Ave, Suite 205
San Diego, Ca 92105
619-641-7510
<https://www.rescue.org/united-states/san-diego-ca>**

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) helps people affected by humanitarian crises—including the climate crisis—to survive, recover and rebuild their lives. Founded at the call of Albert Einstein in 1933, the IRC is now at work in over 40 crisis-affected countries as well as communities throughout Europe and the Americas. We deliver lasting impact by providing health care, helping children learn, and empowering individuals and communities to become self-reliant, always seeking to address the inequalities facing women and girls.

COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS SERVING REFUGEES & ASYLUM SEEKERS

BORDER ANGELS

**Border Angels 2258 Island Ave
San Diego CA 92102
(619) 487-0249**

<https://www.borderangels.org/>
admin@borderangels.org

Border Angels promotes a culture of love through advocacy, education, by creating a social consciousness, and engaging in direct action to defend the rights of migrants and refugees.

HORN OF AFRICA

**5296 University Avenue, Suite F
San Diego, Ca 92105
619-583-0532**

www.hornafrica.org
info@HornAfrica.org

Horn of Africa promotes the successful integration and physical and emotional health of the East African refugee population in San Diego, the largest in California and second largest nationwide. Horn of Africa provides economic and business development training, childcare training, enrollment in health insurance programs, refugee case management, and asylum seeker support.

MIRY'S LIST

<https://miryslist.org/>
welcome@miryslist.org

Miry's List is a community of welcomers using crowdsourcing and social media to connect people with families who are resettling in the United States as refugees. Our 12-month programs starts by meeting each family in their home – typically a sparsely furnished or unfurnished apartment assigned by a resettlement agency. Our team works together with the family to create a list of items needed to turn their house into a home. With the of our wonderful volunteers, each family's needs are turned into a shoppable online wishlist which we share broadly to our generous community of donors. Each family has unique needs – many with small children, elderly grandparents or members with disabilities. Housewarming gifts are sent to families directly, and many include a gift message.

NILE SISTERS DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

**5532 El Cajon Blvd, Ste 5
San Diego, CA 92115
619-265-2959**

www.nilesisters.org
info@nilesisters.org

The mission of The Nile Sisters Development Initiative is to educate, support, and offer training to refugee and immigrant women and their families to help them overcome barriers to social and economic self-reliance. Nile Sisters provide emergency supplies such as baby, bathroom, bedroom, food, kitchen, and school essentials. Nile Sisters also provides California Certified Nursing Assistant Vocational Training, professional development training, family advocacy and education, and cultural orientation (education, employment, housing, monetary, social, transportation). Nile Sisters also provide emergency supplies such as baby, bathroom, bedroom, food, kitchen, and school essentials.

SAN DIEGO RAPID RESPONSE NETWORK (SDRRN)

**Family Migrant Shelter
24-hour Emergency Hotline: 619-536-0823**

www.rapidresponsesd.org

The Migrant Family Shelter provides humanitarian services to asylum-seeking families, including medical screenings, hot meals, travel assistance, legal counsel, and a safe place to sleep. Most migrants are women with two young children, and the average length of time spent at the shelter is 12 to 48 hours.

After addressing a family's urgent needs, shelter staff provides transportation assistance to ensure asylum-seekers can safely reunite with loved ones in cities across the U.S.

SAN DIEGO REFUGEE FORUM

<http://www.sdrefugeeforum.org/>
SDRefugeeForum@gmail.com

The San Diego Refugee Forum is a professional association of organizations that advocates serving all populations fleeing persecution and seeking refuge in San Diego. Its members include resettlement agencies, ethnic community-based organizations, employment services, government agencies, community-based groups, refugees, advocates, educators, and supporting individuals. Members paying annual dues are entitled to vote in elections of Forum officers. The San Diego Refugee Forum meets monthly to exchange information and advocate on issues of concern to the community of people displaced by war and violent conflict who are making a new life in San Diego.

SECOND FAMILIES

<https://www.secondfamiliesd.org/>
secondfamilies@hotmail.com

We provide assistance with non-food items and resources to ease new arrivals' transition into their new homes in Southern California. Working together with resettlement agencies in San Diego, our volunteers and donors aim to support refugees and other displaced people so they have the basic necessities to rebuild their futures. We provide furniture, housewares, clothing, personal care items, school supplies, and electronics to new arrivals. We also provide enrichment programs for kids, guidance and advocacy navigating our American systems, scholarships for driving lessons for first-time women drivers, college guidance, and much more.

SURVIVORS OF TORTURE INTERNATIONAL

PO Box 151240
San Diego CA 92175-1240
619-278-2400

<https://notorture.org/>
survivors@notorture.org

Survivors of Torture, International is an independent nonprofit organization dedicated to caring for survivors of politically motivated torture and their families who live in San Diego County. Since 1997, SURVIVORS has helped survivors to recover from their traumas through a holistic program including mental health, psychiatry, social services, and medical case management. SURVIVORS empowers torture survivors to reclaim the strength and vitality that were stolen from them by brutal dictators and governments. The specialized care SURVIVORS provides these vulnerable individuals helps them to become self-sufficient and healthy members of their families and of our community.

SOMALI FAMILY SERVICE

5348 University Ave Suite #203
San Diego, CA 92105
619-265-5821

www.somalifamilyservice.org

Somali Family Service is a community-based social service organization that provides culturally and linguistically appropriate programs and services to refugee and immigrant communities of San Diego. SFS provides micro-enterprise programs; Refugee integration; Support to access CalFresh Nutrition Program; Elder Multicultural Access & Support Services (EMASS); Somali Health Initiative for Access to Care; Men's Wellness; Community Health Events; and empowerment workshops for youth and parents.