

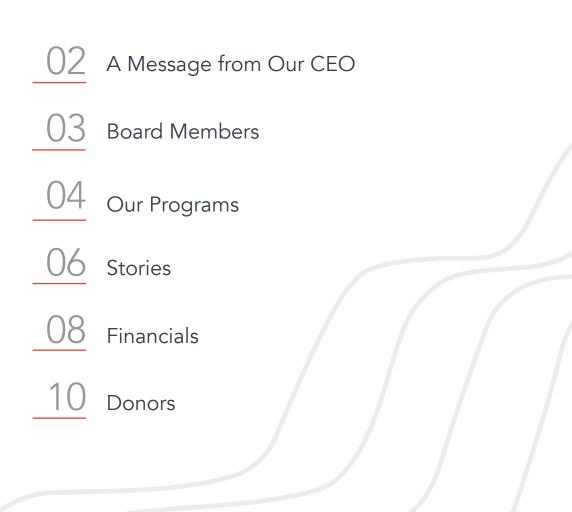
OUR MISSION:

To protect the rights and address the needs of persons in forced or voluntary migration worldwide and support their transition to a dignified life.

WHAT WE DO:

The U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI), established in 1911, is a nongovernmental, not-for-profit international organization dedicated to addressing the needs and rights of refugees and immigrants. USCRI, working with nearly 200 affiliates, provides legal, social, and health services to refugees, unaccompanied migrating children, trafficking survivors, and other immigrants in all 50 states, El Salvador, Honduras, Kenya, and Mexico. USCRI advocates for the rights of refugees and immigrants both nationally and globally, helping to drive humanitarian policies, practices, and law.

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MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

Dear Friends,

This year, we commemorate 114 years of unwavering service to refugees and immigrants. From Eastern Europeans in the early 20th century to Vietnamese, Cambodians, and East Africans fleeing war, genocide, ethnic cleansing, and persecution, to unaccompanied children from Central America driven by gang violence and poverty, we have stood by all displaced people regardless of where they come from. The core of our mission and values is human dignity.

In the 1995 USCRI edition of the World Refugee Survey, Roger Winter, a distinguished advocate of USCRI, wrote, "... the world is not comprised of isolated islands ... When we ignore our basic values abroad, they begin to erode at home."

Now, more than ever, we cannot ignore the many atrocities occurring around the world. Today, an unprecedented 122 million people are forcibly displaced world-wide due to persecution, conflict, violence, and other human rights violations. This figure is projected to increase in 2025, while concurrently, the political will to protect the displaced continues to erode globally.

In a historic Fiscal Year, USCRI reached over 139,000 clients in all fifty states, El Salvador, Honduras, Kenya, and Mexico—more than ever before. This includes over 33,000 refugees, 22,000 unaccompanied children, and 2,100 survivors of human trafficking.

Throughout our history, we have promised refugees and immigrants a better tomorrow and a chance at a new life with justice and dignity.

During this moment of uncertainty, your incredible generosity is helping USCRI meet this historic challenge.

As we reflect on the path ahead, we do so with an unwavering commitment to continuing our work as champions for those who seek safety and opportunity in a new land.

With much gratitude,

Eskinder Negash

President & CEO

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TOTAL CLIENTS SERVED: 139,000+

Children's Services

USCRI provides home assessments and case management services to unaccompanied migrating children.

22,349 Cases Served (2,043 Home Studies and 20,306 Post-Release Services)

Residential Care

USCRI's shelter in Florida provides a safe and welcoming temporary home to girls who have arrived in the U.S. unaccompanied by their parents and without immigration status.

812 Girls Served at Rinconcito del Sol (top 3 countries: Haiti – 262, Guatemala – 258, Mexico – 103)

Refugee Programs

USCRI and its national affiliates assist newcomers in achieving self-sufficiency.

Reception and Placement: **16,085** Resettled Employment Program: **8,842** Clients Intensive Case Management: **8,999** Clients

Trafficking Services

USCRI serves foreign national adult and child victims of human trafficking, providing comprehensive case management to these populations through a nationwide network of service providers.

1,591 Adult Survivors Served through TVAP

541 Minor Survivors Served through Aspire

Legal Programs

USCRI provides low-cost and pro bono legal services to low-income refugees and immigrants across the U.S.

4,587 Cases Entered into Representation

(including 3,418 Afghans and 765 Ukrainians)

Refugee Health Services

USCRI supports and develops health and wellness initiatives for refugees

49,355 Clients Served (42,571 Cuban or Haitian Entrants)

20,112 Clients Provided with medical screening service

Policy and Advocacy

USCRI assesses federal laws and international instruments, develops policy positions, and advocates for humanitarian practices to protect the rights of refugees and immigrants nationally and globally.

Field visits to: Kakuma Refugee Camp and Kalobeyei Settlement in Kenya; Kyaka II and Rhino Camp refugee settlements in Uganda; and U.S.-Mexico border shelters for asylum seekers

75 publications released, including pieces focusing on Afghan family reunification; sexual violence in Haiti and the Darien Gap; and asylum and the U.S.-Mexico border; as well as country condition reports on Ukraine, Sudan, Haiti, and Myanmar.

International

USCRI has offices in El Salvador, Honduras, Kenya, and Mexico.

El Salvador

111 youth returnees assisted through the REDII program (professional training, labor market insertion, case referrals for complementary reintegration services)

Kenya

579,600 single-use sanitary pads delivered through the Keep Girls Dreaming Initiative for the use of **4,830 refugee girls** in Kakuma and Dadaab refugee camps.

Mexico

Habesha Project: **5 Habesha Complementary Pathways students** from Kenya resettled to Mexico to pursue their undergraduate studies, **3 new undergraduate students** enrolled in university through Habesha Americas, **41 active Habesha Project students** received accompaniment during their studies

U.S.-Mexico Border Program: **203 migrants** in Tijuana received legal advice, 32 Know Your Rights sessions held in migrant shelters for approximately 859 people

Welcoming Communities: Supported 8 local student committees made up of a total of **93 students**, **2,000 people mobilized** during the Intercultural Mobility Week on university campuses throughout Mexico.



The Habesha Project resettles young refugees from around the world to Mexico through higher education scholarships to local universities. In collaboration with the Government of Mexico and The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the program executes a comprehensive service plan to ensure both international protection and local integration throughout the students' studies.

In 2023, the Habesha Project took a significant step by opening its first call for applications for young refugees living in Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya. After an extensive selection process, which included multiple interviews and evaluations, four students— Taban, Nun, Mary, and Yar—were chosen to resettle in Mexico and pursue their higher education.

Their journey to a new life was not simple. For six months, they navigated complex logistical processes, awaiting the issuance of their exit permits and Mexican visas. During this time, they participated in a Pre-Departure Program organized by the Habesha Project, through which the students took remote Spanish lessons and engaged in cultural adaptation sessions to help ease their transition.

Finally, in March 2024, the group of four arrived in Aguascalientes, Mexico, ready to embark on a new chapter. For the first nine months, they immersed themselves in an intensive Spanish language course while gradually integrating into their new environment. Two students found part-time jobs, while the other two worked remotely, gaining valuable experience alongside their Spanish studies. In November, they completed their university entrance exams, thanks to the academic partnerships that USCRI Mexico has established with universities in the country.

By early 2025, three of them had successfully enrolled in prestigious academic programs—Mechatronics Engineering, Data Science Engineering, and Industrial Engineering—at Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Occidente, ITESO (Western Institute of Technology and Higher Education) in Guadalajara and La Salle Saltillo University in Saltillo. The fourth student is currently finalizing preparations to begin her university studies shortly. Thanks to the Habesha Project, all four students now have refugee status in Mexico, ensuring their permanent residency in the country and a clear pathway to Mexican citizenship as they continue to build their lives in their new home.

Their journey is a testament to resilience, determination, and the power of education as a tool for transforming lives. As they continue their studies and adapt to life in Mexico, their stories serve as an inspiration for future refugee students seeking new opportunities through education.

KEEP GIRLS **DREAMING**

To respond to the pressing needs of refugee girls in Kakuma and Dadaab refugee camps in Kenya, USCRI supports menstrual health and combats chronic school absenteeism by providing access to essential menstrual hygiene products.

There are over 90,000 school-aged girls living in refugee camps in Kenya. They have fled violence and persecution in search of safety and a chance to build a future. Yet this is often threatened when they get their period, as most do not have access to period products. This impacts every part of their lives, from their health to their ability to attend school.

In October 2023, USCRI launched the Keep Girls Dreaming initiative and collaborated with Chandaria Industries, a local Kenyan manufacturer of hygiene products made from recyclable materials, to address this need. In just a few months, Keep Girls Dreaming raised enough funds to purchase and distribute over half a million sanitary pads to refugee girls Kakuma and Dadaab. In January 2024, USCRI delivered enough sanitary pads to support nearly 5,000 girls for one year.

While this first delivery was a great success, work still needs to be done to guarantee that these girls have access to menstrual hygiene products and education. USCRI continues to uplift its Keep Girls Dreaming initiative and strives to develop sustainable programs so that girls in the camps are provided with continuous support.

To learn more or donate to Keep Girls Dreaming, visit: **Refugees.org** / KeepGirlsDreaming



FINANCIALS

EXPENSES

Major Programs:

Refugee Health Refugee Programs Children's Services US Field Offices Legal Services Other **Total Program Services** \$ 123,093,961

\$ 95,707,923

\$ 32,598,986

\$ 29,962,904

\$ 4,546,834

\$ 379,807,264

Supporting:

Management and General Fundraising

Total Supporting Services \$ 14,121,661

\$ 906,093

\$15,027,754

Total Expenses: \$ 394,835,018

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REVENUE

Federal and State Grants and Contracts

Foundation and Individual Contributions

In-Kind Goods and Services

Investments

Other Income

Total Program Services \$ 396,236,935

\$ 3,763,431

\$788,315

\$ 1,321,350

\$ 2,486,929

\$ 404,596,960

NET ASSETS

Net Assets FY 23 Net Assets FY 24

Net Change in Net Assets

\$ 25,666,365 \$ 35,428,307 **\$ 9,761,942**

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\$100,000+

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