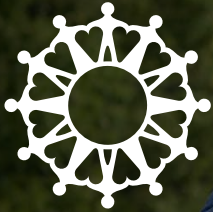


CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS & STAFF ARE INVITED TO A BRIEFING ON

World Refugee Day – Refugees Are Gifts to Nations That Welcome Them



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There are over 65 million displaced persons in the world today, forced to flee their homes in search of a place of peace and safety. Fully one third of these are refugees who face persecution and are unable to return to their country of origin. Generally, less than 1% of all refugees have been offered resettlement opportunities in third countries. That small percentage has continued to shrink even more as the U.S. Administration, ordinarily a global leader in resettlement, has lowered the FY 2018 refugee admissions ceiling to an all-time low and added other restrictions to an already rigorous refugee vetting process.

Join Catholic Charities USA, Catholic Relief Services, and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to learn more about the dire circumstances that compel refugees to flee, the stringent vetting process for those being considered for US resettlement, and the enormous and lasting contributions that refugees make to our nation. This briefing will also highlight the findings of a brand new research study that lends further evidence to the gift that refugees are in our country.

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

12:30 – 1:45 PM

Cannon Office Building, Room 441

Speakers

- **Ashley Feasley**, *Director of Migration Policy*
U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
- **Donald Kerwin**, *Executive Director*
Center for Migration Studies
- **Frances McBryer**, *Senior Director of Refugee Services*
Catholic Charities Atlanta
- **Saeed Rahi**, *Case Manager*
Catholic Charities of Diocese of Arlington
- **Emily Wei**, *Deputy Director for Policy Development*
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