Who provides refugee resettlement and support services in North Dakota

Who is a refugee?
• Lives outside the country of his/her nationality or usual residence because he/she is unable or unwilling to return to and live in that country because of persecution or well-founded fear of persecution based on race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group, or political opinion.
• Enters U.S. legally with U.S. State Department involvement
• Goes through a rigorous screening process including background checks and interviews prior to resettlement to the U.S.

LIRS | Refugee Resettlement
Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services (National organization that collaborates with the federal Office of Refugee Resettlement)

Refugee Resettlement Reception + Placement
• Initial acceptance of refugees within ND
• Initial coordination of basic needs (housing, furnishing, food)
• Work with national organizations and stakeholders to identify the number of refugees that ND can support

Refugee Resettlement Support Services
Department of Human Services

DHS | Temporary Refugee Cash + Medical Assistance
• Provides cash support for up to 8 months after resettlement
• Provides medical assistance for refugees that may not qualify for Medicaid for up to 8 months
• Provides medical screening for all refugees upon arrival

Refugee Support Services (RSS)
• Assists refugees in obtaining employment and achieving self-sufficiency within one year
• Includes: Orientation, case management, employment services, skills/vocational training, english language learner and transportation

Unaccompanied Refugee Minors Program
• Foster care services for unaccompanied refugee minors

RSS - Set Asides
• Refugee School Impact
• Services for Older Refugees
• Youth Mentoring
• Refugee Health Promotion

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