

*Walking with Asylum Seekers:  
A Training Series for Congregations*

Welcome!

Walking with Asylum Seekers  
Sponsorship Part II  
April 22, 2:00 – 3:30PM CDT



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MIGRATION MINISTRIES



**LUTHERAN  
FAMILY SERVICES**  
*Rocky Mountains*



# HOUSEKEEPING

- **Mute:** Please mute your mic.
- **Recording:** We are not recording today's event. Again, you will receive the powerpoint afterwards.
- **Chat Box:** You may submit questions and comments throughout the workshop via the chat box.

## OPENING PRAYER

God of creation and of justice, we praise you for the boundless beauty of the earth and all of its creatures, especially we praise you for creating human beings, each made in your image. You are a God of justice that has called us to respect the inherent dignity of each person. We give you thanks for our lives and our ability to hear this call which compels us to welcome the stranger, love our neighbor, and work for dignity and justice for all. Today we pray for strength to be moved toward action to humbly do this work for justice and dignity. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

# INTRODUCTIONS

*Today's Presenters and Panelists*

# Introductions

## Overview

### *Today's Agenda*

- Andrew-Timeline of Services
- Q&A
- Breakout Session-Group Task
- Andrew- Contingency Planning
- Mary- AMMPARO and Support for Deported Families
- Mary- Next Steps
- Q&A
- Closing Prayer

# TIMELINE OF SERVICES



## Service Timeline and Explanation Guide

### Pre Arrival

Services
a. Living Space Setup
b. Creating Child Safe Spaces
c. Have Culturally Appropriate, Hot Meal Upon Family Arrival
d. Provide the Family Pocket Money for Personal Needs (recommend \$100)
e. Gather Seasonal Clothing (Winter Jackets, Gloves, Boots)
f. Upon Arrival go over expectations, rules for living space, and timeframe of services, sign housing agreement/lease

### Post Arrival

Services	When can I do this/ Prior Requirement
1. Medical Services	N/A
2. English Classes	N/A
3. School Enrollment	N/A
4. WIC, School Lunches	N/A
5. Food Pantry	N/A
6 Selective Services Application	N/A
7. USCIS change of Address (AR-11)	N/A
8. I-589 (Asylum) Application	N/A
9. State ID	Documentation required depending on state
10. I-765 (Work Authorization) Application	365-Days After I-589 Application
11. Social Security Card	After getting I-765
12. Employment	After Acquiring I-765 and Social Security Card



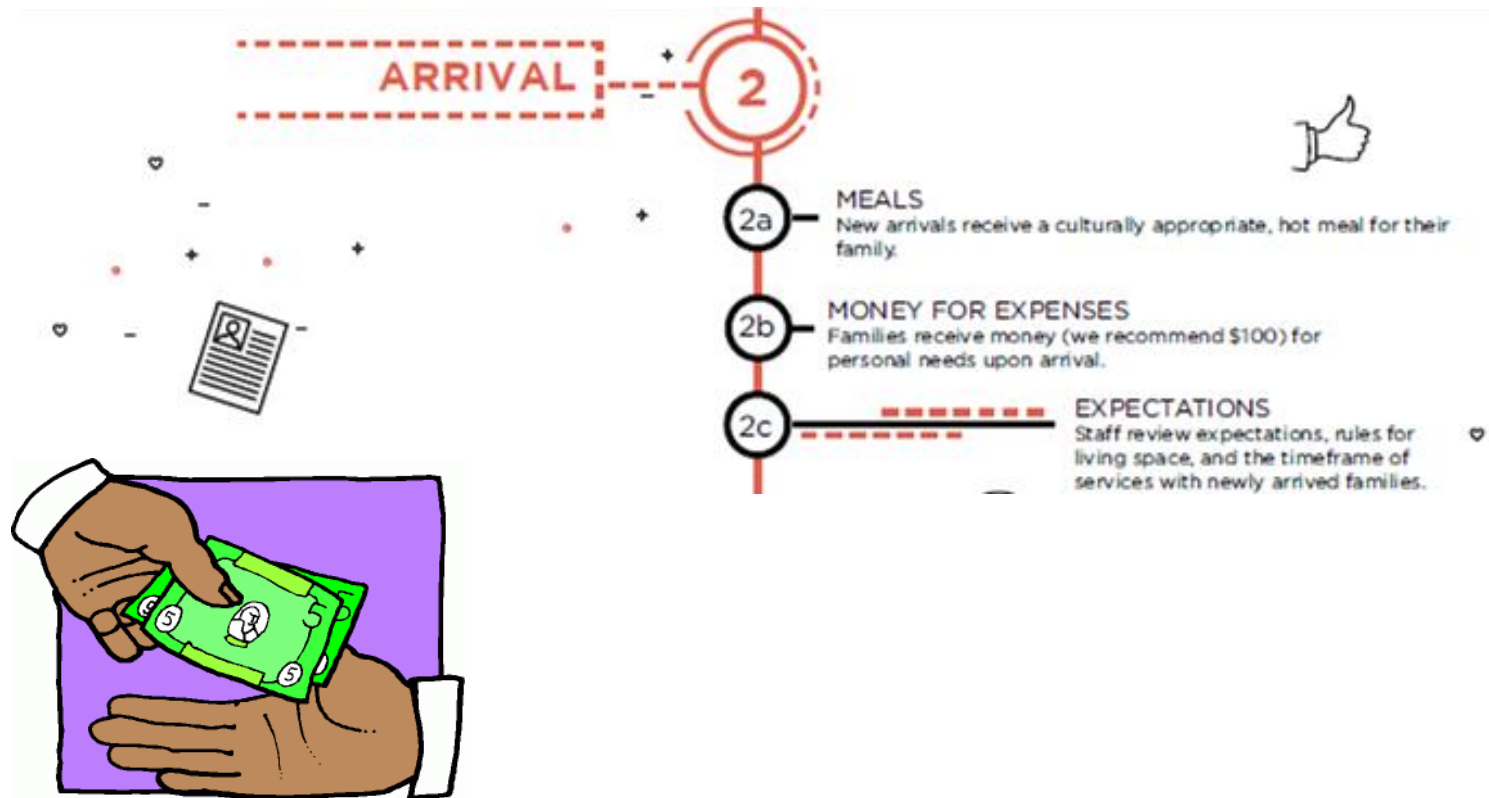
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# ASYLUM SEEKERS | TIME LINE OF SERVICE PROVISION

**DETENTION**  
*The average length of detention is 55 days!*



# ARRIVAL





# WITHIN 24 HOURS

- Home safety
- Rules
- Timeframe of services
- Expectations



# SHORT TERM

- School enrollment
- Selective services- <https://www.sss.gov/>
- AR-11- <https://www.uscis.gov/ar-11>



## Applicant or Petitioner Information

First Name

Andrew

Middle Name (optional)

Last Name

Byrd

No First Name

Please check if you do not have a first name

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

01/01/2000

A-Number (optional) ?

A- 123456789

Member of the U.S. Military, or recently discharged from service, or spouse of a member of the U.S. Military

## Citizenship

Country of current citizenship

United Kingdom

In the US as a

Other

Specify if in the US as Other

Asylum Seeker

## REFERRALS AS NEEDED

- **Medical-** <https://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov/>
- **Food pantry**
- **Internet-** <https://www.internetessentials.com/>



- **ESL**

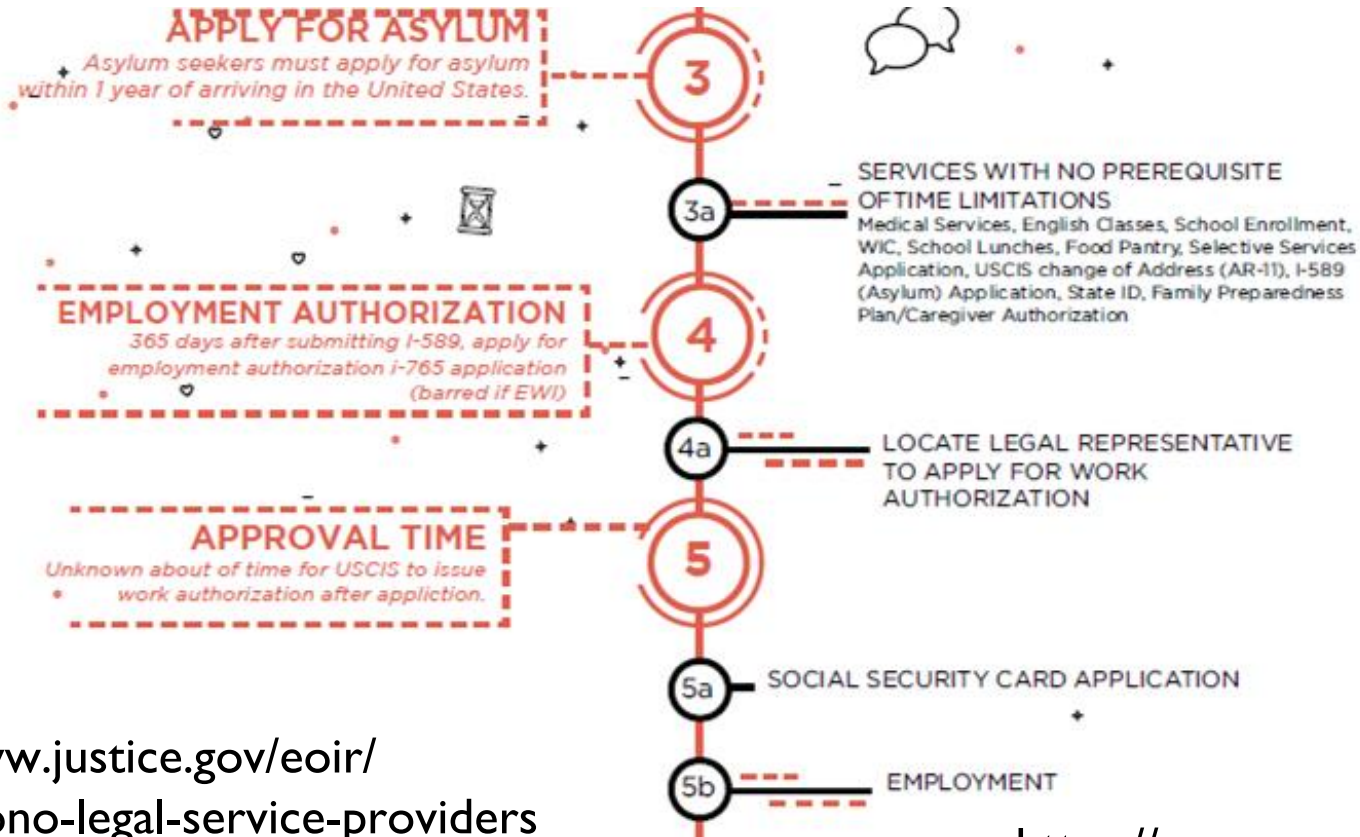


English As a Second Language

- **WIC-** <https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/wic-how-apply>



# LONG TERM



[https://www.justice.gov/eoir/  
list-pro-bono-legal-service-providers](https://www.justice.gov/eoir/list-pro-bono-legal-service-providers)

<https://www.ssa.gov/locator/>

**Q&A**

*Discussion time*

# Q&A with Presenter

# **BREAKOUT SESSION**

*Group Challenge*

## **PROMPT**

**Building a living space: Make a list of everything you touch/pass by in the first 20 minutes of waking up (things that could be purchased in a Walmart)**

**5 MINUTES**

# CONTINGENCY

## What to do if Sponsorship Falls Through

	Tucson	Casa Alitas - Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona	<a href="#">CCS-SA</a>	F, Y	ICE referrals only, short-term.
CA	Los Angeles	Casa Libre	<a href="#">Libre</a>	Y	Long-term "academy" home for migrant youth, typically 17-19 years old. Referrals by phone, space pending.
	San Diego	Survivors of Torture, International	<a href="#">Survivors of Torture, International</a>	SOT	Home is in development, actively working with Southern CA service providers and different groups.
CO	Aurora	Casa de Paz	<a href="#">Paz</a>	M	Hosting immigrants released from detention or out-of-town
DC	Washington DC	Center Global	<a href="#">Center Global</a>	LGBTQ	General assistance, not able to provide Housing
	Washington DC	Evarts Street Community	<a href="#">Not available</a>	Y	Limited long-term housing
FL	Jacksonville	Her Song	<a href="#">Her Song</a>	SOT	Provides follow up care for survivors of human trafficking to help them on their journey toward recovery and restoration.

Thanks to Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS) for the housing providers list!

# CONFLICTS

## CO-SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains Refugee and Asylee Programs

Co-Sponsorship team: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of team: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Leader: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Refugee Case Information E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_





# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

[https://www.ilrc.org/sites/default/files/resources/family\\_preparedness\\_plan-20180625.pdf](https://www.ilrc.org/sites/default/files/resources/family_preparedness_plan-20180625.pdf)

## Important Children's Information

*Keep this information so your designated caregiver will have all of the information they need.*

<b>Child's Name</b>	
Date of Birth	
Child's Cell Phone Number (if applicable)	
School	
School Address	
School Phone Number	
Teacher's Name	
Classroom Number	
Afterschool Program	
Afterschool Program Phone Number	
Other Camp/Sports/Program	
Other Camp/Sports/Program Phone Number	
Allergies	
Medical conditions	
Medications	
Doctor's Phone Number	
Doctor's Address	
Health Insurance	

## Emergency Numbers and Important Contact Information

*Keep this information in one place so that you and your family can access it easily.*

<b>Emergency Numbers</b>	
Immediate Emergency	911
Police Department	
Fire Department	
Poison Control	

# PLANNING FOR REMOVAL



<sup>1</sup> (<https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/research/immigration-detention-united-states-agency>)

<sup>2</sup> ([https://trac.syr.edu/phptools/immigration/court\\_backlog/](https://trac.syr.edu/phptools/immigration/court_backlog/))

# AMMPARO

Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities

## In the U.S

Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service, Lutheran Services of America, Church World Service

## In transit

**Mexico:** Iglesia Luterana Mexicana, AMEXTRA, GTPM

## Countries of origin

**El Salvador:** Iglesia Luterana Salvadoreña

**Honduras:** Iglesia Cristiana Luterana de Honduras, Mennonite Social Action Committee and The Lutheran World Federation (LWF)/World Service (WS)

**Guatemala:** Asociación Pop No'J, Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala and LWF/WS



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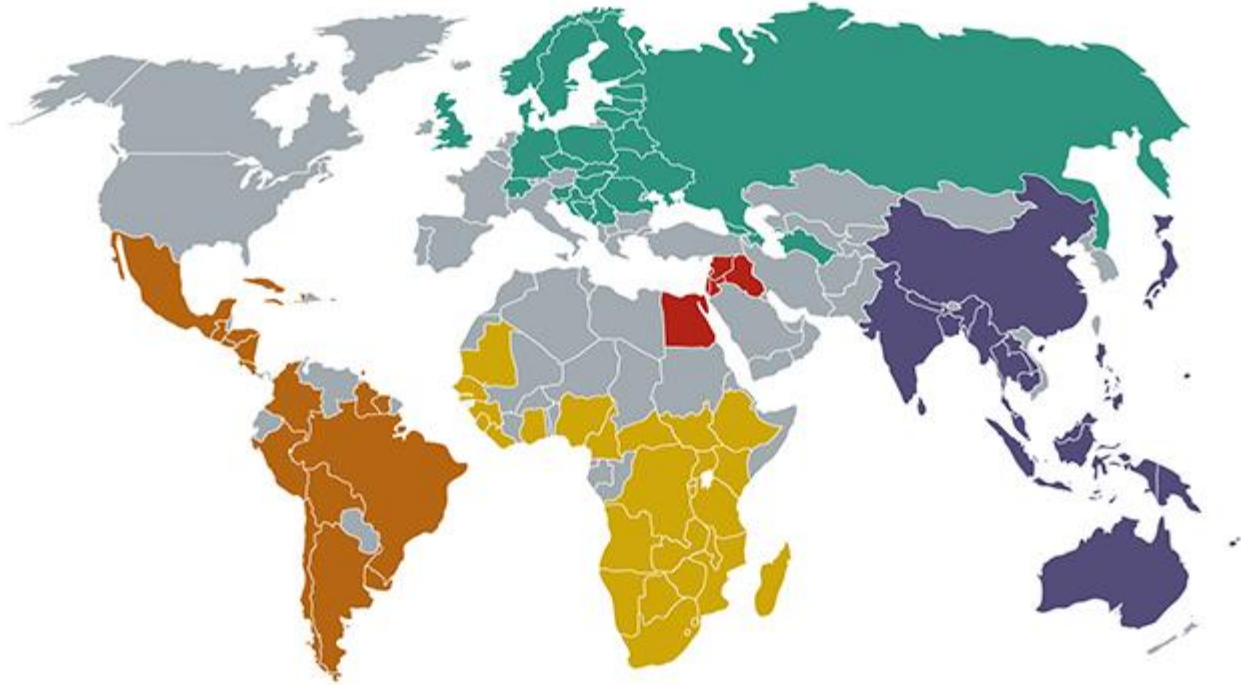
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## Welcoming and Sanctuary Congregations and Synods



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## Criteria to consider around sponsorship

- 1) Approval of leadership of congregation to explore asylum-seeker sponsorship
- 2) Capacity to create a team of people committed to work together for a year or more to walk with the asylees sponsored- team size should be no less than 5-6 people and needs to include several people who can communicate in the asylee's language
- 3) Capacity to raise funds to cover costs for food, clothing, shelter, housing, medical care, legal fees, immigration case expenses, transportation and incidentals
- 4) Cross-cultural training and racial justice work has happened or is happening not only for the team but the congregation.
- 5) Capacity to connect the asylee's with legal services, either pro bono or paid.



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## Get Ready.....

- Let us know of your plans to move forward toward asylum-seeker sponsorship in your congregation – return the form to either Mary Campbell (ELCA) or Allison Duvall (EMM) so that we can do follow-up
- OR let us know if your congregation would like to partner with another congregation who will embark on sponsorship
- Work through the information received here with your congregational team and its network.
- Sign up and participate in the Sponsorship Forum
- When your congregation/network is ready, be in touch with us





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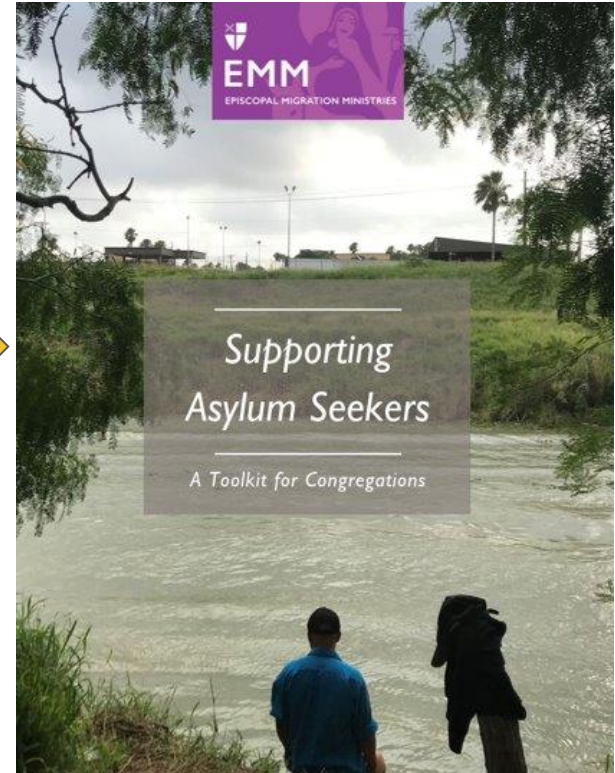
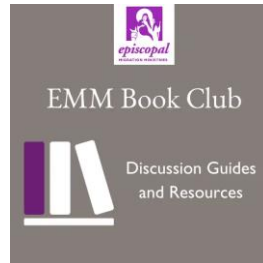
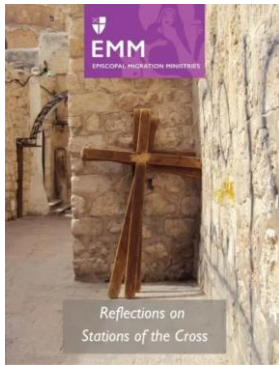
For ELCA AMMPARO, the process is in process.....



# EPISCOPAL MIGRATION MINISTRIES

*Connect & join us*

- Visit [www.episcopalmigrationministries.org](http://www.episcopalmigrationministries.org)
- Contact Allison Duvall, [aduvall@episcopalchurch.org](mailto:aduvall@episcopalchurch.org)
- Join a Ministry Network - join information in follow-up email
- Join the Episcopal Public Policy Network - [www.episcopalchurch.org/ogr](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/ogr)
- Request your free copy of *Supporting Asylum Seekers: A Toolkit for Congregations* 
- Access EMM's additional resources on our website:



[www.episcopalmigrationministries.org/asylum-toolkit](http://www.episcopalmigrationministries.org/asylum-toolkit)

**Q&A**

*Discussion time*

# Q&A with Presenters

# THANK YOU FOR JOINING US

## *Contact information*

### **Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains**

Andrew Byrd

Coordinator-Southern New Mexico

**Email:** [Andrew.Byrd@lfsrm.org](mailto:Andrew.Byrd@lfsrm.org)

**Social Media:**

<https://www.facebook.com/RockyMtnRefugee/>

<https://www.lfsrm.org/>



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## *Contact information*

### **Episcopal Migration Ministries**

episcopalmigrationministries.org

**Social Media:** @EMMRefugees

**Video:**

[www.vimeo.com/EMMRefugees](http://www.vimeo.com/EMMRefugees)



### **ELCA AMMPARO**

www.elca.org/ammparo

**Social Media:**

[Facebook.com/ELCAammparo](https://www.facebook.com/ELCAammparo)



## CLOSING PRAYER

*A prayer for asylum seekers and refugees*

*Adapted from EMM's Advent 2020 Offering:*  
[www.episcopalmigrationministries.org/advent](http://www.episcopalmigrationministries.org/advent)



Loving God, open our eyes that we may see the face of the Jesus in the face of all of our neighbors, most especially those who seek asylum, safety, and a place to call home. Open our ears that we may hear people's cries for justice and offer food, clothing, and shelter to those who have nothing; open our hearts that we may welcome the stranger as Emmanuel, as God come near. Help us to bring love, hope and faith where they are needed. Let us not be afraid to protect the weak or to defend the poor. May we do all this with your help. **Amen.**