

Advocate for Refugees with Jewish Social Services

The Madison Jewish community has had the pleasure to welcome strangers into our community and hearts over the last eight months. JSS, as an affiliate of HIAS, has settled 30 refugees from Syria, The Democratic Republic of Congo, Iraq and Afghanistan.

Now we must advocate so we can welcome more refugees!

At a time of global refugee crisis, with more displaced persons than at any time since World War II, it is critical for your elected officials to show continued support for protecting and welcoming refugees.

In the coming weeks, our government will determine the maximum number of refugees allowed to come to this country in the next year, and we need your help to make sure this number is at least 75,000. **Act now and tell your representatives to support a presidential determination of at least 75,000 Refugees.**

CALL YOUR TWO SENATORS AND MEMBER OF CONGRESS:

Senator Tammy Baldwin at (202)-224-5653

Senator Ron Johnson at (202)-224-5323

Mark Pocan at (202)-225-2906

וְאֶהְבֶּתֶם, אֶת-הַגֵּר:
כִּי-גֵרִים הֵיִיתֶם,
בְּאֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם.

"You shall love the stranger;
for you were strangers in
the land of Egypt."

Deuteronomy 10:19

Help us to generate as many phone calls as possible. Ask your family and friends to join in calling their elected officials. Together we can make a difference.

Use these suggested talking points to give a clear and succinct message when calling your elected officials!

- *I'm a constituent from [City, State], and at a time when there are more displaced people than ever before in history, I believe it is critical for the U.S. to show continued support for protecting and welcoming refugees.*
- *I urge you to actively encourage the Trump administration to set a Presidential Determination to welcome at least 75,000 refugees to the U.S. in Fiscal Year 2018.*
- *My community stands ready to welcome refugees. We believe that welcoming and protecting refugees makes us stronger as a community and as a country.*
- *Jewish values call us to protect the human rights and dignity of every person, and I believe that in this moment when the number of refugees is at the highest point in human history, the U.S. government must do more—not less—to support refugees.*
- *[Personal stories are very effective. If you have a personal story or reflection on why your values and history compel you to take action for refugees, add it here]*

SUPPORT A PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION OF AT LEAST 75,000 REFUGEES

