

Resources for Advocating for the People of Afghanistan and for Afghan Evacuees in the USA. (From Catholic & U.S. Government Sources)

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)

CRS, the official relief and development agency of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), eases suffering and provides assistance to people in need in more than 100 countries, without regard to race, religion or nationality. CRS has set up an Afghanistan fund to support its ongoing work in the country: <https://support.crs.org/Afghanistan>. Below is a link to CRS's most recent press release on Afghanistan, demonstrating CRS's continuing activity in Afghanistan: <https://www.crs.org/media-center/news-release/afghanistan-brink-humanitarian-catastrophe-crs-warns>. For a step-by-step CRS resource guide to meeting with your Members of Congress, visit: https://www.crs.org/sites/default/files/usops-resources/ccgp_set_meeting_us16107.pdf

The International Catholic Migration Commission (ICMC)

ICMC facilitates a global network of Catholic Bishops Conference & Catholic-inspired organizations working on migration and refugee issues at local and national levels. To learn how ICMC members and church leaders are responding to the needs of Afghans, and advocating for their protection, visit: <https://www.icmc.net/2021/09/14/icmc-members-respond-to-the-needs-of-afghan-evacuees/>

Catholics Confront Global Poverty (CCGP)

The USCCB Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development and CRS have joined together in an effort to reduce global poverty through learning and action. Sign up to receive advocacy and legislative alerts by visiting: <https://www.crs.org/usops-tags/catholics-confront-global-poverty>

USCCB Justice for Immigrants (JFI) Campaign

In 2004, the USCCB committed to immigration reform as a priority of the U.S. Catholic Church, and to creating a culture of welcome in which all migrants are treated with respect and dignity. A diverse group of Catholic organizations joined the USCCB JFI Campaign to unite and mobilize a growing network of Catholic institutions, individuals, and other persons of goodwill in support of immigration reform. Go to www.justiceforimmigrants.org to sign up to receive the latest news and events shared by the JFI Campaign, including advocacy alerts. Find a JFI Afghanistan Resource Page at: <https://justiceforimmigrants.org/afghanistan/>

Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc., (CLINIC)

CLINIC was founded by the USCCB and is governed by a board comprised of a majority of bishops, along with women and men whose professional backgrounds provide helpful context for its work. CLINIC serves as a legal support agency for diocesan immigration programs. CLINIC has produced a [Guide to Client Documentation and Benefits for Afghan Parolees](https://cliniclegal.org/resources/asylum-and-refugee-law/guide-client-documentation-and-benefits-afghan-parolees), available at: <https://cliniclegal.org/resources/asylum-and-refugee-law/guide-client-documentation-and-benefits-afghan-parolees>; and a toolkit to assist Afghans: <https://cliniclegal.org/toolkits/assistance-afghans>

U.S. Congressional Research Service & Department of Homeland Security

The Congressional Research Service, a U.S. government entity, provides a summary resource of Iraqi & Afghan Special Immigrant Visa Programs, dated 6/21/21. Find that summary at: <https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R43725/17>. The Department of Homeland Security has produced a resource on assisting Afghan evacuees, [Operation Allies Welcome](https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/publications/21_0903_oaw-fact-sheet_508.pdf). It is available at: https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/publications/21_0903_oaw-fact-sheet_508.pdf