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Why American Citizens Should Oppose the Refugee Resettlement Program!

Americans First is a non-profit organization based in Lexington whose mission is to promote and protect the interests of American citizens.

The Refugee Resettlement Program is not in the interest of American citizens and should be discontinued. Basically, the entire program involves:

- The massive influx of people, many from dysfunctional societies, who are chosen by the UN in cooperation with the federal government.
- Claims of refugee status are in many cases completely fraudulent and refugees have included terrorists, such as the Iraqi terrorists in Bowling Green, Kentucky, and the Boston Marathon bombers who came as asylees under similar standards.
- Refugees are not assimilating into our society, but instead are living off welfare programs and imposing costs on state and local governments already in financial trouble. Fayette County's public school system is facing deficits of millions of dollars, in large part because of the costs imposed by refugees and illegal aliens, many of whom don't speak or write English and have to be provided with translators.
- Our government currently has to borrow money just to keep our own citizens fed and housed. But church affiliated groups are receiving federal government money to pay big salaries to their executives and are bringing more and more refugees here and dumping them into our social safety net that our own citizens need (and helping refugees take jobs from our own citizens). Then the church groups just repeat the process to get even more money.
- Refugees are bringing in communicable diseases, engaging in crime, and many have no conception of religious, political or sexual tolerance.
- Refugees are settled in areas where the people administering the program aren't affected by the problems they create.

WHAT CAN OUR CITIZENS DO TO STOP THIS?

- Write or call your representatives and senators and tell them to stop this program.
- Tell your churches to get out of this racket and stop using taxpayer money.

Consider the following troubling facts about the federal refugee resettlement program:

1. **THE PROGRAM IS BEING EXPLOITED BY CHURCH GROUPS WHO SIPHON FEDERAL MONEY THAT ENRICHES THEIR ADMINISTRATORS AND WHO THEN DUMP THE REFUGEES INTO OUR WELFARE SYSTEM AFTER A FEW MONTHS AND THEN THEY REPEAT AND EVEN EXPAND THE PROCESS.**
2. Catholic Charities of Louisville's latest IRS Form 990 from 2012 shows they took in \$13,493,000 in government grants out of just over \$18 million in total funding. This was an increase from 2011 when they had \$11,349,920

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from GOVERNMENT GRANTS! The vast majority of their funding comes from TAXPAYERS! They paid out approximately \$3,700,000 in salaries and benefits in both years.

3. The United Nations in conjunction with the US State Department determines who qualifies as refugees and where they should be settled in the US without any input from the citizens of the communities in which they are settled. Local communities have no control over who gets settled there.
4. Refugee resettlement is a self-perpetuating global enterprise. The Refugee resettlement bureaucracy is funded entirely by the federal government and has a direct interest in settling more and more refugees so its budget is constantly increasing.
5. **The program is rife with fraud and corruption at all levels.** UN personnel often sell access to the program and once here refugees make false claims of family relationship in order to facilitate wider immigration.
6. **Terrorist organizations are using the program as a means to get their people into the US.** Two Iraqis who were settled in Bowling Green were convicted of terrorist activities. The Boston Marathon bombers came here as asylees.
7. **Membership in a U.S.-registered Islamic terrorist group is not a bar to entry under the program as long as the refugee was not a "direct participant" in "terrorist" activity.**
8. Economic distress is not supposed to be a basis for claims of refugee status. But congress and the UN can name whatever group they want to be a refugee or asylum seeker. For instance Congress passed a law declaring China's one-child policy to be an example of persecution based upon a political view. Not surprisingly the Chinese now head up the list of successful asylum seekers.
9. **Many communicable diseases are being brought here, TB in particular. TB among the foreign-born now accounts for about half of the TB in America.**
10. **Refugee access to welfare on the same basis as a U.S. citizen has made the program a global magnet.**
11. Refugee "self-sufficiency" is supposed to be an important measure of success and a basis for assigning future refugees to agencies. But the definition of "self-sufficiency" has been steadily defined downward and today is virtually meaningless. **A refugee can be considered "self-sufficient" while benefitting from a wide array of welfare programs, including Medicaid, Food Stamps, Public Housing and Social Security.**
12. **Welfare use is staggering among refugees, but welfare usage is never counted by officials as part of the cost of the program.** When it is included, the total cost of the refugee program soars to at least \$10 billion a year.
13. **At a time when some American citizens are being pushed off of time-limited welfare programs, many refugees are going on life-time cash assistance programs. For instance, 12.7% of refugees are on SSI – a lifetime entitlement to a monthly check. Of Refugees, 57.7% are on government medical assistance such as Medicaid, about 25% have no health insurance at all, 70.2% are receiving food stamps, and 31.6% are in public housing.**
14. Forty seven percent (47%) of loans made to refugees for transportation to the U.S. are currently unpaid, leaving an unpaid balance of approximately \$450 million.
15. **Refugee resettlement is profitable to the organizations involved in it. They receive money from the federal government for each refugee they bring over. They have almost no real responsibilities for these refugees. After 4 months the "sponsoring" organization is not even required to know where the refugee lives.**

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