

Children Don't Immigrate, They Flee

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RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES AND FOR US

"All grown-ups were once children, although few of them remember it."

-Antoine de Saint Exupéry

Refugee One <http://www.refugeeone.org/>

- Resettlement Services
- English Language Training
- Workforce Development
- Wellness Program
- Youth Program
- Women's Services
- Immigration Assistance

International Children's Center (Heartland Alliance)

- Model project to provide Child Advocates for unaccompanied immigrant children in federal custody
- 54-bed facility serves more than 300 children a year from Central America, China, India and other countries such as Morocco, Yemen and Sri Lanka.

Local Policy Groups

- Illinois Childhood Trauma Coalition (ICTC) Refugee and Immigrant Committee
<http://lookthroughtheireyes.org/ictc-sub-committees/>
- Illinois Coalition for Immigrant & Refugee Rights
- <http://www.icirr.org/>

Legal Advocacy Groups

- The Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights, University of Chicago
<https://www.law.uchicago.edu/clinics/immigrantchildadvocacy>
- National Immigrant Justice Center, Heartland Alliance
<http://www.immigrantjustice.org/>
- Bluhm Legal Clinic Children & Family Justice Center, Northwestern University
<http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/cfjc/>
- Kovler Center for Survivors of Torture, Heartland Alliance
<https://www.heartlandalliance.org/kovler/>
- Center for Human Rights of the Child, Loyola University Chicago
<https://www.luc.edu/chrc/index.shtml>

Medical-Legal Partnerships

<http://medical-legalpartnership.org/partnerships/#/states=118>

- Healthcare improves legal outcomes
 - Uncover history not revealed to attorneys
 - Facilitate communication with attorney
 - Identify/treat medical/mental health conditions
 - Provide professional letters of support
 - Improved asylum grant rate (adults) (89% vs. 38%*)

American Academy of Pediatrics

- Providing Care for Immigrant, Migrant, and Border Children
<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/pediatrics/early/2013/04/30/peds.2013-1099.full.pdf>

- Children’s Lives on the Border
<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/pediatrics/early/2014/04/02/peds.2013-2813.full.pdf>
- Detention of Immigrant Children
<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/pediatrics/early/2017/03/09/peds.2017-0483.full.pdf>
- Supporting the Health and Well-Being of Immigrant Children: Resources for Pediatricians March 2017
<https://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/Committees-Councils-Sections/Council-on-Community-Pediatrics/Pages/Immigration-Resource.aspx>
- Immigrant Child Health Toolkit
<https://www.aap.org/en-us/about-the-aap/Committees-Councils-Sections/Council-on-Community-Pediatrics/Pages/Immigrant-Child-Health-Toolkit.aspx>

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