SERVICES FOR REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN EGYPT

June 2022
UNHCR provides refugees with protection and assistance in coordination with the Egyptian Government and partners. Protection includes registration and documentation of asylum-seekers and referral to legal services.

Refugees residing in the following governorates should approach UNHCR’s reception centres in Cairo as indicated below:

- Greater Cairo (Cairo, Giza, Qalyubia)
- Monofeya
- North and South Sinai
- Ismailia
- Suez
- The Red Sea
- Fayoum
- Bani SouwaiF
- Sharkeya
- Menia
- New Valley
- Assiut
- Sohag
- Qena
- Luxor
- Aswan

The Infoline answers calls daily in Arabic, English, Somali, Oromo, Tigrinya, Amharic and French.

You can also email us on:

- Referrals for Gender-Based Violence: arecagbv@unhcr.org
- Referrals for Child Protection: arecacp@unhcr.org
- Referrals for Protection, Counseling & Reception: arecapro@unhcr.org
- Referrals for Detention: arecadet@unhcr.org
- Referrals for Education: arecaedu@unhcr.org
- Referrals for Community-based Protection: arecacps@unhcr.org
- Complaints & Fraud: arecafrd@unhcr.org
- File reopening requests: arecaappr@unhcr.org

UNHCR Cairo Infoline

02 2739 0400

Sunday - Wednesday
08:15 - 15:00
Thursday
08:15 - 12:00
Why Register with UNHCR?

Registration allows you and your family to formalise your stay as asylum-seekers in Egypt. It also helps you with your daily interaction with Egyptian authorities and partners. In addition, registering with UNHCR facilitates residency and will protect you and your family from being returned to your country of origin against your will.

When you register with UNHCR, you will be provided with a UNHCR registration document. Please pay attention to the validity of your UNHCR document and make sure you contact UNHCR for a renewal appointment one month prior to its expiration.

UNHCR Registration Documents

Asylum-seeker Certificate (White Paper)

This certificate is issued to persons registered with UNHCR who have officially applied for refugee status without presenting valid identification documents. It does not enable its holder to obtain a residency permit, but serves as proof of an asylum application in Egypt that is pending consideration for refugee status determination with the UNHCR Office, and based on which, he/she should be accorded international protection considerations. If you obtain identification documents after being issued a certificate, please approach UNHCR during reception hours to receive an Asylum-seeker Registration Card.

Asylum-seeker Registration Card (Yellow Card)

The card is issued to persons registered with UNHCR who have officially applied for refugee status and have presented valid identification documents. It provides protection from detention and deportation to your country of origin or any other country, and allows the holders to obtain a legal residence permit (sticker) to legalize their stay in Egypt. The card is valid for 18 months.

Refugee Registration Card (Blue Card)

The refugee registration card is issued to persons who had been formally recognized as refugees by UNHCR. The card allows its holder to obtain a legal residence permit (sticker) to legalize their stay in Egypt. It is valid for three years.

Registration Services

1. New registration
2. Adding new family members including babies (bring 2 photos)
3. Changing address or other data
4. Changing principal applicant or transfer to another case
5. Closing or reopening your case
6. Renewal of documents
7. Obtaining a Ministry of Foreign Affairs closure number

What documents should I bring to my first registration appointment?

Please bring the ORIGINAL & COPY of the following documents for your registration appointment:

1. Passport(s)
2. All other available ID documents (military ID, driver’s licenses, other civil documentation)
3. Marriage/divorce certificate(s)
4. Birth/death certificate(s)
5. Family booklets
6. High school or university diploma(s)/certificate(s)
7. Proof of previous registration with UNHCR in other countries (if applicable)
8. Two passport-sized photos of each family member on a white background

To book registration appointments, you can contact UNHCR Infoline as shown on Page 2.

It is also possible to go in person to one of the registration centers in Zamalek or 6th of October from Sunday to Thursday from 8:00 to 14:00.
Obtaining Residence Permits

Why do I need a valid residence permit?
Every foreigner, including refugees and asylum-seekers, staying in the Arab Republic of Egypt is obliged to have a valid residence permit. Without a valid residence permit, s/he would be staying illegally in the country, which is punishable under Egyptian law. Therefore, you are advised not only to obtain your residence permit after registration with UNHCR but also to renew it when it expires.

How can I obtain or renew a residence permit in Egypt?

1. Refugees and asylum seekers who are scheduled to renew or obtain their UNHCR cards at UNHCR Offices, can pick up the (MFA) number for residency processing during their interview at UNHCR Offices, along with an appointment date to approach the Communications Office of the Passports and Immigration Administration in Abbasiya.

   For those who have a valid UNHCR card, the MFA reference number and the appointment date before the Communications Office of the Passports and Immigration Administration in Abbasiya could be obtained from Caritas Egypt – at their following offices:
   - October City: Building 48/8 – 2nd proximity, 8th district
     - Daily except Saturday and Sunday: 08:30 - 15:30
   - Nasr City: 30 Sibaway St. off Anwar El Moffy St.- Behind Nasr City Traffic center
     - Daily except Saturday and Sunday: 08:30 - 15:30
   - Alexandria: 26 Talaat Numaan Street, Mahatat El Raml, 3rd Floor
     - Daily except Friday & Sunday: 15:30 - 20:30
   - Damietta: 21/81 1st Neighborhood, 1st District, in front of the Tourism and Hotels Institute, New Damietta
     - Daily except Friday & Saturday: 14:30 - 19:30

   Please ensure that your UNHCR card is valid for at least one month on the date of the appointment with the Communications Office of the Passports and Immigration Administration in Abbasiya.

2. Please approach the Communications Office of the Passports and Immigration Administration in Abbasiya on the appointment date received along the MFA reference number. You must provide the reference number issued by UNHCR or Caritas to the Communications Office and accordingly you will be provided with appointment for lodging the residence application.

3. On the day of your appointment, please approach the Residence Office in Abbasiya, where you will be asked to submit all necessary documents, including the residence permit application form. Together with your family members, you will also be asked to have your photos and fingerprints taken. You will then be given an appointment to receive the residence permit card.

4. Please return on the given appointment to the residency granting office at the Residence Unit of the Passports and Immigration Administration, where you will obtain the residence permit card issued by the Egyptian government.

5. The residence permit is issued only at the Passports and Immigration Administration in Abbasiya. You must go there in person to complete all procedures regardless of your place of residence in Egypt.

What documents should I bring?
- All UNHCR registration cards of the family members and dependents registered with you in Egypt.
- Original passport of the family members and dependents registered with you in Egypt.
- Copies of both your UNHCR registration document(s) and your passport(s).
- The reference number obtained from UNHCR or Caritas.
- Two passport-sized photos of yourself. Photos of your dependents are not needed unless they are 12 years old and above, and were issued a separate UNHCR documentation card.
- A copy of your last residence permit obtained based on your asylum status in the country.

Are there any fees that I have to pay to obtain the residence card?
Yes, you will be required to pay processing fees of EGP 100 at the bank located at the Abbasia premises while presenting your application to the Residence Unit. This fee is directed to the Government of Egypt to cover the expenses of the new card.

You will be issued a regular non-tourist residence permit for an initial period of 6 months, which will be renewable as long as you remain a person of concern to UNHCR in Egypt. The same period is granted to blue and yellow card holders.

How can I reach the Passport and Immigration Administration?
The headquarters of the administration is located at 417 Ramses Street in Abbasiya, which is easy to reach by public transport by following these instructions:

For refugees living in Greater Cairo:
Cairo Metro: The nearest station is Abbasiya Station (Green Line; Imbaba – Airport). After exiting the metro station, the Administration will be a five-minute-walk away.

For refugees residing in other governorates:
Ramses Train Station: You can take the train/public transport from any governorate to Ramses station. When you arrive at the station, go to Al Shohadaa metro station and get off at Ataba station where you will change to the Green line (Imbaba – Airport) and get off at Abbasiya station. After exiting the station, the Administration will be a five-minute-walk away.
What is the purpose of the refugee status determination (RSD) interview?

RSD interview is to assist you to put forward your case and fully explain your experiences and circumstances that led you to fleeing your home country. Based on the interview, UNHCR will determine whether or not you meet the refugee definition and grant refugee status according to international refugee law.

The Refugee Status Determination Interview

When you are scheduled for an individual refugee status determination (RSD) interview, you will receive a scheduling call to inform you about the RSD interview and counsel you on steps you have to take prior the interview. After the scheduling call, you will receive an SMS with the link of the Signal application, if you agreed to have a remote interview. Furthermore, the RSD website at rsd.unhcregypt.org/refugeeresult.aspx will be updated with your appointment date as well. As there could be changes in the RSD appointments, you are also requested to check the website regularly, especially 48 hours before your RSD appointment.

During the RSD procedure, you are required to:

- Submit any documents and evidence available regarding your application;
- Inform UNHCR about your family members accompanying you. Adult family members will be interviewed individually;
- Tell the truth and be cooperative;
- Have a smart phone with a functioning front camera and stable internet connection, if you agreed to have a remote interview;
- Be alone in the room, if you agreed to have a remote interview.

During the RSD procedure, you have the right to:

- Be interviewed in a language you can communicate in;
- To be represented by a lawyer or a legal representative, who qualifies as such under UNHCR’s established procedures, during your RSD procedure.

Please also note that:

- Each applicant has a different profile, background and reason for fleeing his/her country; hence, each case will be assessed individually, according to UNHCR rules and procedures.
- Please, do not pay attention to rumors spread among refugees about specific stories to be presented to be granted refugee status.
- Intentionally misleading UNHCR about the facts of your case or your identity is fraud. Please note that this will negatively affect the processing of your case and may lead to a negative decision. UNHCR reserves the right to take appropriate measures in such cases;
- Your statements and documents will be kept confidential and will not be shared by UNHCR with other third parties without your consent. Please note that under no circumstances will UNHCR share your information with the government of your country of origin;
- Do not sign any documents unless read, understood and approved by you;
- While in Egypt, you, like any other foreigner, are expected to respect the laws, customs and traditions of the society hosting you;
- Verbal and physical threats made to UNHCR staff violate national law. UNHCR will report any person making such threats to the police and this person may be prosecuted.

What should I prepare/ bring with me to the RSD interview?

- Your UNHCR asylum seeker registration card;
- Any documents that are relevant to support your refugee claim;
- Your and your family members’ original identification documents (such as passports, ID cards, military booklet, marriage certificate, birth certificates, medical reports if any, etc.);
- Proof of previous registration with other UNHCR Offices.

Can I have a legal representative/advisor to assist me during my refugee status determination procedure?

You are entitled to have a legal representative/advisor to assist you during your refugee status determination interview.

In Egypt, Saint Andrews’ Refugee Services (StARS) provide information, counselling, referral, representation, and advocacy for asylum-seekers and refugees in Egypt free of charge. To know more on how to reach STARS, please take a look at our partners’ section under (protection services) at: https://help.unhcr.org/egypt/en/partners/st-andrews-refugee-services-stars/

Why are there different procedures at first instance?

UNHCR Egypt has different procedures depending on the complexity of the cases. Some cases undergo registration and RSD interviews together in the same interview, which is called the Merged Registration/RSD procedure; some cases have separate registration and RSD interviews; and some cases have more than one RSD interview in order to ensure the Office has sufficient amount of information to complete the RSD procedure.
What if I missed an RSD appointment?

Please be informed that if you failed to attend an RSD appointment without a reasonable explanation, your case might be closed. If you miss an appointment, it is your responsibility to request a new one as soon as possible explaining the reason why you could not approach the office. Please note that the new appointment will only be granted if you provided a reasonable explanation as to why you failed to attend.

Are my family members, who registered with me, required to be present at the refugee status determination interview?

All those who are registered in the file need to be present for the RSD interview unless you are informed otherwise. All the adult members of the case will go through a separate interview at UNHCR.

What happens if I am recognized as a refugee?

If you are recognized as a refugee, you will be given a result notification appointment which will clearly indicate the location, date and time of receipt of the decision. In order to collect the decision, you will be required to present to UNHCR reception staff your UNHCR asylum seeker registration card and your identification documents (passport or other form of identification) when you approach UNHCR.

If you are recognized as a refugee, you and your dependents will be provided with a UNHCR refugee card.

What happens if I am denied a refugee status?

If you are denied refugee status after the first instance interview, you will be given a result notification appointment which will clearly indicate the location, date and time of receipt of the decision. In order to collect the decision, you will be required to present to UNHCR reception staff your UNHCR asylum seeker registration card and your identification documents (passport or other form of identification) when you approach UNHCR.

On the date of your appointment, you will receive a negative decision letter, which contains an explanation on the reasons that led to the denial of the asylum application. If you are notified with a negative decision you have the right to submit an appeal request within 30 days. If you do not wish to file an appeal against the first instance decision denying your asylum application, you will no longer be considered as person of concern to UNHCR.

How will I be notified of my Refugee Status Determination decision?

Once your RSD decision is ready, you will receive an SMS or a call to indicate your result notification date/appointment. You will be notified of your decision either remotely through Signal Application or you will be scheduled for an in-Office notification. Each individual will be informed on the method, location and date of their notification by call/SMS.

In the meantime, you can also check this website via the RSD status part https://rsd.unhcregypt.org/RefugeeResult.aspx, which will also reflect your result notification date/appointment, once available. The decision on your asylum application could either be recognition or rejection.

How can I submit an appeal request?

You can download the appeal request form from the Forms and Leaflets section of this website https://rsd.unhcregypt.org/FormsAndLeaflets.aspx. In your appeal request form, you must include the following:

1. The reasons why you think the first instance negative decision is wrong, and
2. Your updated contact information.

You can then submit your duly filled appeal application form either in an email to Appeal/Reopening arecaapr@unhcr.org or by approaching the RSD Building at 44A street, 2nd proximity, 8th District, 6th of October City on certain days of the week, which will be specified to the individuals on the day of their notification.

What will happen during the appeal process?

Different UNHCR protection staff members than the ones who were involved in the initial first instance decision review all appeal requests. Not all appeal requests will lead to an appeal interview. If an appeal interview is needed, you will be notified of the date of your appeal interview via SMS, and the appointment will also be available in the RSD status section of this website: rsd.unhcregypt.org/RefugeeResult.aspx.

If the first instance decision is overturned, you will be granted refugee status; if the first instance decision is confirmed, your file will be closed.
Cash Assistance

Who can receive cash assistance from UNHCR or its partners?

UNHCR aims to provide cash assistance to registered refugees and asylum-seekers found to be most in need. UNHCR partner Caritas Basic Needs conducts assessment interviews to identify eligible individuals. If you have been identified as eligible for cash assistance, you will be notified through SMS on your telephone number registered at UNHCR.

How does UNHCR determine who is eligible for the cash assistance?

To determine those who are most in need, and hence eligibility to cash assistance, UNHCR uses a statistical formula aimed at capturing protection and socio-economic vulnerabilities. To use this formula, UNHCR relies on multiple sources of information, such as information recorded during your registration with UNHCR and sometimes gathered during assessment interviews conducted by UNHCR partner, Caritas Basic Needs. Factors such as age, place of residence, number of family members, education level, financial status, access to other assistance, specific needs, medical status, protection risk profiles, among others determine the decision. All profiles of refugees and asylum-seekers registered with UNHCR are assessed to identify those who are most financially vulnerable to select higher risk profiles.

If you are found eligible to receive cash assistance UNHCR will notify you via SMS to the phone number registered by you at UNHCR.

How do I get an appointment for an assessment interview?

If you have not conducted an assessment interview with Caritas Basic Needs since 2019, or if there have been significant changes in your household’s circumstances after your last assessment interview, please contact the Caritas Infoline on 15946 to schedule an interview. A staff member from Caritas will contact you back by phone to confirm the appointment. UNHCR does not book/conduct interview assessments.

Where do I collect the cash assistance?

Once you receive a notification by SMS on your phone number registered at UNHCR, you can collect your cash assistance from any post office in Egypt, before the deadline indicated in the SMS. If you are notified that you will receive cash iris-scanning , you will be required to approach the nearest post office with an iris-scanner. You can find the list of iris-enabled post offices on Page (14).

Please note that the principal applicant is the ONLY one who should go to the post office unless you designate alternative cash collector within your case. To designate the alternative cash collector please contact Caritas Basic Needs on 15946.

If you want to update your phone number registered at UNHCR, please see Page (15).

How do I collect the cash assistance at the post office?

At the post office, there are two possibilities:

1. You may be required to present your UNHCR identity card at the cashier where the teller will review your photo, case number and name; or
2. If the SMS states that you will receive your money through scanning your iris, then you need to go to a post office with an iris-scanning camera. At the post office, you will need to place the camera on the same level of your eyes and look at the scanner with your eyes wide open while your iris is being scanned.

Please note that the designated cash collector (usually the principal applicant) is the ONLY one who should go to the post office unless you designate alternative cash collector within your case. To designate an alternative cash collector please contact Caritas Basic Needs on 15946.

What should I do if I am unable to collect the cash assistance at the post office?

1. Please make sure you go to the post office before the cash-distribution deadline as indicated in the SMS. You cannot collect the cash assistance if you come after the deadline. Only the designated cash collector (usually the principal applicant) can collect the cash assistance, unless you have designated an alternative collector at Caritas Basic Needs.

2. If you are receiving the assistance through iris-scanning, please make sure to place the camera on the same level of your eyes (not above or below) and that you look at the camera with eyes wide open. If your iris is still not captured ask the teller at the post office to scan your right eye first then the left eye. If this is still not working, then try going to another iris-enabled post office as there maybe an internet connection problem.

If none of the above solutions work, please contact Caritas Basic Needs to record your complaint in the system. This is a very important step. Without the formal complaint, UNHCR will not be able to address the issue effectively. A counselor from Caritas will discuss and help you solve the problem and will also record your complaint on the system. UNHCR will investigate the causes of your recorded complaint within 30 days from the cash out deadline.

If you followed the above steps, UNHCR will re-imburse the due cash assistance. You will be notified by SMS when, where, and how you can collect your assistance.

You can find Caritas Basic Needs phone numbers, working hours and address on Page (33) of this brochure.
Who do I contact for inquiries or complaints related to cash assistance?

Please contact Caritas Basic Needs on the phone numbers on 15946. A counsellor from Caritas will provide you with the appropriate advice and will record your problem if further action is needed from UNHCR.

Please note that ALL inquiries and complaints related to UNHCR cash assistance must be recorded via Caritas Basic Needs. They are not recorded at UNHCR Offices. Without the formal complaint at Caritas Basic needs, UNHCR will not be able to address your issue effectively.

Eligibility and reimbursements decisions taken by UNHCR will be directly communicated to you through SMS (you may also receive follow up call from Caritas. Therefore, it is important to keep your telephone number up to date.

Iris-enabled Post Offices:

- October: El Hossary, Service complex (Mogamma El-Khatham), 7th district, Distinct (Elmotamyez), 6th district, 3rd district, 1st district-Zayed, October Main Office.
- Downtown Cairo: Cairo Main Office.
- South Cairo: Maadi.
- East Cairo: Ain Shams, Zahraa Ain Shams, Martyr Abdel Moneim Riad, Qubaa East, New Nozha, 8th district, 10th district, Swiss project.
- Katameya: Obour Youth housing, Obour city, Obour Market, First settlement, Madinati, Orabi association, 10th of Ramadan, 6th neighbourhood, 9th neighbourhood, 33rd neighbourhood, 44th neighbourhood.

Your mobile number is the main channel we use to communicate with you. Therefore, please make sure your contact details are always up-to-date. If you change your contact details, please inform UNHCR by:

La xiriir khadka tooska ah ee UNHCR:

Greater Cairo | Qaahira oo dhan
02 2739 0400
Alexandria | Iskandariya
02 2599 0800
COMPLAINTS PROCEDURES

Complaint procedures are in place to report serious misconduct by UNHCR staff, interpreters, security guards or procedural unfairness in the provision of UNHCR’s protection and assistance (including complaints about the quality/availability of interpreters, access to UNHCR premises or staff, procedures for Registration, RSD and other protection services).

Process to file a complaint

- There is a complaint form available at all UNHCR offices if you wish to use it. You can also write your complaint on a blank paper and there is no need to use envelopes.
- Name and telephone contact of complainant, date of complaint, general nature of complaint are important information to include. Anonymous complaints will not be investigated.
- Put the name or function or detailed description of the staff member, interpreter, guard or partner staff against whom the complaint is filed.
- Unfounded or malicious complaints may lead to prosecution by the Egyptian authorities.
- Queries or appeals for RSD or resettlement cannot be addressed through the complaints process.
- UNHCR is committed to adhering to values of confidentiality and transparency in the complaint investigation process.
- It is prohibited to hire anyone to write complaints in exchange of money or services. Please refrain from doing so. UNHCR does not have any relation with those sitting outside of its premises selling their services.

HOW TO FILE A COMPLAINT?

1. Through the office
   - Put the sealed envelope in the Complaints Box located in UNHCR office.

2. By email to:
   - ARECACOM@UNHCR.ORG
   - and it will be forwarded to the UNHCR Egypt Representative.

3. By post to:
   - UNHCR Egypt Representative,
     UNHCR, 17 Mekka El Mokarrama St. 7th District, 3rd Division, 6th of October City.
   - Complaint letters should be marked “Confidential.”

You will be notified within two months after submitting your complaint.
In order to provide some services to refugees and asylum-seekers, UNHCR works with implementing and operational partners.

Implementing partners are funded by UNHCR, while institutions which do not receive funding from UNHCR, but who play a major role in refugee operations, are known as operational partners.

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Care Egypt provides support to victims of gender-based violence.

Maadi

5156 Dar El Hosn For Orphans St.,
New Maadi, El Me’rag, Basateen

Maadi

All MSF services are safe, confidential, respectable and free.
PROTECTION SERVICES

St. Andrew’s Refugee Services (StARS)

StARS provides child protection services to unaccompanied & separated children and youth, including emergency response; educational services (focusing on academic and social-emotional learning); psychosocial support, counseling, emotional support, psychological first aid; group activities, focusing on psycho-education; and housing support. This is in addition to legal counseling for cases scheduled for registration and RSD interviews.

Unaccompanied & Separated Children services

Phone: 010 3334 8659 (Arabic, English, Tigrinya)
Phone: 010 6440 0281 (Arabic, English, Somali, Oromo)

For other languages including Bilen, Tigre, Amharic, French, and others, we return calls as soon as possible.

Legal counselling for clients called to be scheduled for remote RSD interviews

Phone: Arabic, English, Oromo, Amharic, Somali: 010 2984 2820

St. Andrew’s Refugee Services Monday – Thursday
09:00 – 17:00

Save the Children (SCI) Egypt

Save the Children provides many services for children at risk and children exposed to abuse, neglect and exploitation. It also offers services for unaccompanied & separated children including best interest assessment.

Phone: Arabic: 010 2980 3454 / 010 2980 2524
Phone: Tigrinya: 010 1000 2785
Phone: 010 9984 5723 / 011 4377 2690
Phone: 010 2980 2524
Phone: Oromo & Amharic: 010 6775 2252
Phone: Somali: 010 6789 4466

Psycho-Social Services and Training Institute in Cairo (PSTIC)

PSTIC assists POC with protection issues to secure safe housing.

Infoline: 012 0094 4111

Caritas Egypt

Caritas supports UASC. Following registration with UNHCR, the child will be notified by UNHCR Child Protection Team (CP) on the same day about which CP agency will conduct your best interests assessment (BIA). Only after the BIA, you will be informed when you need to go to Caritas Garden City to process your financial assistance. Please make sure you do not miss your financial assistance appointment date; otherwise please inform your caseworker in advance. Caritas also provides support with housing for UASC.

Garden City Clinic

8 Abdel-Latif Bolteya St., (formerly Dar El Shefa St.), behind Four Seasons Hotel, next to Kasr El Nil Police station

Phone: 02 2796 1771
Phone: 02 2769 4441

Caritas Egypt - Refugees program

Monday – Friday
08:30 – 15:30

IMPORTANT LINKS

To visit the websites, you can type the link in your browser, or scan the QR code with your mobile camera.

Facebook page
in English, Amharic, Somali, Tigrinya & Oromo

UNHCR Help website (with questions & answers about UNHCR services)

Follow up on your case through RSD website
LEGAL AID

United Lawyers

United Lawyers provide legal assistance for all refugees and asylum-seekers. Services include: assisting in obtaining documentation such as birth, marriage, and divorce certificates. Representing the refugees before authorities and courts. United Lawyers assist in obtaining birth certificates for children born out of gender-based violence incidents. In addition to providing legal counselling, they also provide trainings and awareness sessions.

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📍 Building 114, St. no 105, 3rd Floor, Flat 8, Hadayeq El-Maadi

📞 011 5452 6171

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Saturday – Thursday

10:00 – 18:00

Egyptian Foundation for Refugee Rights (EFRR)

The legal aid provided by EFRR covers three domains: (i) refugees facing arbitrary arrest, indefinite imprisonment and unlawful expulsion or refoulement; (ii) refugee who are victims of crime; and, (iii) refugees facing unjust prosecution for criminal acts. Also the legal aid in Egyptian administrative proceedings has expanded to include matters related to housing, employment and the registration of personal status (births, marriages, divorces and deaths).

In addition to providing services to victims of rights violations, EFRR proactively engages with refugee communities in order to educate refugees about their rights and avenues for redress and to assist refugees and refugee communities in the development of strategies to minimize and mitigate violations of rights.

Downtown

📍 2 Hussein El Ma’mar St., 3rd Floor, Flat 8, Hadayeq El-Maadi

📞 02 2575 1118

012 7202 0938

Egyptian Foundation for Refugee Rights

Sunday – Thursday

10:00 – 17:00

St. Andrew’s Refugee Services (StARS)

StARS provides various legal services to refugees and vulnerable migrants. This includes legal representation, counsel, and advocacy in UNHCR registration, RSD first instance and appeal, and resettlement procedures focusing on survivors of torture, Gender-based violence, and conflict as those facing risks to rights and physical integrity.

Downtown

📍 No 38, 26th of July St., Esaaf Square (Metro stop: Nasser)

📞 010 3331 6644 (Arabic, English, Oromo, and Amharic)

010 3331 6655 (Arabic, English, and Somali)

010 3331 6677 (Arabic, English, and Tigrinya)

010 5022 7388 (all refugee languages)

✉ info@stars-egypt.org

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Saturday – Thursday

10:00 – 18:00

Egyptian Foundation for Refugee Rights (EFRR)

The legal aid provided by EFRR covers three domains: (i) refugees facing arbitrary arrest, indefinite imprisonment and unlawful expulsion or refoulement; (ii) refugee who are victims of crime; and, (iii) refugees facing unjust prosecution for criminal acts. Also the legal aid in Egyptian administrative proceedings has expanded to include matters related to housing, employment and the registration of personal status (births, marriages, divorces and deaths).

In addition to providing services to victims of rights violations, EFRR proactively engages with refugee communities in order to educate refugees about their rights and avenues for redress and to assist refugees and refugee communities in the development of strategies to minimize and mitigate violations of rights.

Downtown

📍 2 Hussein El Ma’mar St., 3rd Floor, Flat 8, Hadayeq El-Maadi

📞 02 2575 1118

012 7202 0938

Egyptian Foundation for Refugee Rights

Sunday – Thursday

10:00 – 17:00

St. Andrew’s Refugee Services (StARS)

StARS provides various legal services to refugees and vulnerable migrants. This includes legal representation, counsel, and advocacy in UNHCR registration, RSD first instance and appeal, and resettlement procedures focusing on survivors of torture, Gender-based violence, and conflict as those facing risks to rights and physical integrity.

Downtown

📍 No 38, 26th of July St., Esaaf Square (Metro stop: Nasser)

📞 010 3331 6644 (Arabic, English, Oromo, and Amharic)

010 3331 6655 (Arabic, English, and Somali)

010 3331 6677 (Arabic, English, and Tigrinya)

010 5022 7388 (all refugee languages)

✉ info@stars-egypt.org
LIVELIHOODS

Refuge Egypt

Offers livelihoods services through facilitation of wage employment. Applicants receive essential work skills training, language courses, socio-economic profiling, capacity development and facilitation to access the labor market.

Zamalek (All Saints Cathedral)

5 Michel Lotfallah St., (behind Marriott Hotel)

010 1889 7429

Monday – Thursday & Saturday
(Sundays & Fridays closed)
10:00 – 13:00

www.refuge-egypt.org

Plan International

Offers livelihood support to Syrian refugees in Cairo.

6th of October City

8th District, next to Ragab Sons Supermarket, above Bim Supermarket

Haram

Faisal St. Hassan Mohamed Station, next to the Educational Administration, above Banque Misr, 2nd floor

Obour City

1st District, in front of Obour Center, above Ragab Sons Supermarket, 3rd Floor

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)

Supports refugees and asylum seekers who are interested in starting / expanding their own businesses. In order to be a part of the programme, you must be UNHCR-registered.

Maadi

33 St. no 106, Hadayeq El-Maadi
(Metro: Hadayeq El-Maadi)

010 2228 2706

Don Bosco

Provides training experiences and modern techniques to get the highest level of technical education in order to develop skills and improve the chances to find a suitable job and build a successful future career.

Sahel Shubra

2 Abdel Qader Taha St., Sahel Shubra

012 0113 3874

www.donboscocairo.org

Services for Refugees & Asylum-seekers Registered in Greater Cairo help.unhcr.org/egypt
HEALTH CARE

The Ministry of Health and Population (MOHP)
The Ministry of Health and Population (MOHP) provides subsidized primary and specialized health care through a variety of primary care clinics and specialized referrals.

Services available at public primary health care centres

Types of facilities

Family Medicine and Health Centres

Types of services include:

Maternal and Child Healthcare
- Antenatal care (new and repeat visits)
- Postnatal care (new and repeat visits)
- Family planning
- Routine immunization for children
- Integrated management of childhood illness

Acute and chronic consultation
- Lab services
- Dental care
- Chronic diseases
- Minor emergency services

Registration and Issuing Certificates
- Birth registration
- Birth certificate
- Death certificate

Health Offices

COVID19- information inquiry and emergency care responses for moderate and severe cases

COVID-19 Vaccine Registration
egcovac.mohp.gov.eg
FREE OF CHARGE

Egyptian Red Crescent (ERC)

Health for All is a project implemented by Egyptian Red Crescent, in partnership with German Red Cross and Swiss Red Cross and funded by EUTF. The project targets migrants, refugees and vulnerable members of the host community in 6 locations in Greater Cairo as shown below. The ERC hubs in these locations provide health services, Health awareness seminars, mental health and psychosocial support sessions and livelihood trainings.

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HEALTH CARE

Caritas Egypt

Provides primary health care services for all refugees and asylum seekers.

Important notice: Kindly make sure to schedule an appointment before visiting the clinic.

Garden City Clinic
- 8 Abdel-Latif Bolteya St., behind Four Seasons Hotel
  - 02 2796 1771 / 02 2796 4441

Nasr City Clinic
- 15 Mohamed Youssef Moussa, parallel to Moustafa El Nahass St.
  - 02 2386 7366 / 02 2386 7367 / 02 2386 7368
  - 011 2988 0084 / 011 2988 0223

6th of October Clinic
- Block 48/8, 8th District, 2nd Proximity
  - 011 2988 4420 / 02 3889 7129

Refuge Egypt - Refugees program
- Monday – Friday 08:30 – 15:30

Save the Children (SCI) Egypt

SCI works with the MOHP to improve access to quality health services for refugees.

Primary Healthcare Inquiries & Complaints
- Accepts cases referred by Caritas only, if you already have an open file, you can contact
  - 010 9774 8440
- Whatsapp messages only: 012 1203 9953

Secondary Healthcare Follow-up for Open Files & Inquiries
- For Emergencies
  - 012 8077 0146
  - 012 8076 9456
  - 010 6483 3320
- 011 0078 2000

Psycho-Social Services and Training Institute in Cairo (PSTIC)

PSTIC, is a Terre des Hommes (Tdh) partner. It has refugee doctors and nurses available 24-7 to assist access to emergency and affordable elective healthcare in cooperation with healthcare partners. Psychosocial Workers along with Psychiatrists provide 24-7 assessments, treatment, and referral for people with mental illness.

- Emergency number: 011 0078 2000
MENTAL HEALTH & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

Psycho-Social Services and Training Institute in Cairo (PSTIC)

PSTIC, a Terre des Hommes (TdH) partner, has a trained team of Psychosocial Workers from Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Iraq, Syria, and Yemen providing 24-7 community and home-based psychosocial support, case management, problem solving, counseling, information sharing, referral and emergency response throughout Greater Cairo and the North Coast. To reach a Psychosocial Worker in your community speaking your language, ask your Community Leader or call PSTIC Helplines.

Infoline & 7/24 Emergency Helpline
011 0060 4002
011 2777 7005

For Appointments
011 5000 0132
011 2088 8849

In case of emergency, call the PSTIC emergency helplines and an urgent appointment can be arranged during a walk-in clinic hour.

St. Andrew’s Refugee Services (StARS)

StARS psychosocial services include the following: Psychosocial case management to adults and families, counselling, emotional support; drop-in clinic and emergency assistance; mental health services through one-to-one and group therapeutic interventions, as well as psychiatric services; medical assessment, advice, referrals and grants; psychosocial group activities; and housing, and support to community-based foster carers.

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info@stars-egypt.org

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St. Andrew’s Refugee Services
Monday – Thursday
9:00 – 17:00

Terre des Hommes (TdH) Egypt

Provides psychosocial services: case management, positive parenting programmes and recreational activities through community-based protection and psycho-social centres.

Psychosocial Counseling & Advice & Psychosocial Support Activities

Ain Shams
010 6639 6649

Nasr City
010 6888 5278

Haram
010 0017 8411
010 2714 6888

Psycnhosocial Support for Children & Raising
Parents’ awareness of Positive Parenting
010 0017 7147

Mental Health Services
010 3368 0393
010 2332 0268

Community Empowerment Project and Computer Learning Centers

Maadi: Al-Rawda Tower,
107 St., next to Osman hospital.
010 6007 6977
010 2841 1101

Nasr City: 53 Mustafa Al-Nahhas,
next to Al-Tawheed and Al-Noor,
3rd floor.
010 5049 2775
010 3368 0393

6th of October: 7th District,
Villa 9, in front of 6th of October
Sports Club.
010 6161 0825
010 6161 0830

Al-Bohouth: 6 Ahmed Rashad St.,
off Mohi El Din Abu El Ezz – 1st Floor
– Giza.
010 1699 9797

Al-Obour: 1st District, Obour
City Services Center, Block
22, Jawharat Al Sharq Center,
Apartment 2.
010 2039 7778

Important notice: Kindly make sure to schedule an appointment before visiting the learning centers

PLEASE NOTE: Services are provided free of charge. You can visit the learning centers at the following times:

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MENTAL HEALTH & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

Care Egypt

Provides legal and psychosocial support, group therapy awareness raising and individual case management of survivors of gender-based violence.

Maadi

📍
5156 Dar El Hosn For Orphans St., New Maadi, El Me’rag, Basateen

010 2885 9666
010 2885 9777
011 2048 6354
Emergency 24/7: 010 2806 2178

CARE Egypt

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Sunday – Thursday
09:00 – 17:00

Caritas Egypt

Caritas provides individual and group counselling and psychosocial support for persons with disability and older persons. Assistive devices and life-quality improving materials and supplies (pressure-relieving mattresses, adult diapers, etc..) can be issued based on need. Caritas also facilitates access to necessary services, including rehabilitative therapy, through referral to specialized service providers. Additionally, social and recreational activities are regularly organized to promote the emotional well-being and social inclusion of persons with specific needs.

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5156 Dar El Hosn For Orphans St., New Maadi, El Me’rag, Basateen

010 2885 9666
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011 2048 6354
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Nasr City

📍
15 Mohamed Youssef Moussa St., parallel to Mostafa El Nahass St.

012 988 0223
012 988 0884
02 3867 366

Caritas Egypt - Refugees program

📍
30 Sibawe El Masry St., off Anwar El Mofty, behind Nasr City First Traffic Station, Rab’a

Hotline: 15946

Monday – Friday
08:30 – 15:30

011 0284 3159

012 3867 366
012 7976 0329
012 7976 0318

TDH provides cash assistance to enable most vulnerable children, youth and their caregivers to access emergency health care and specialized health services, fulfill basic needs and reduce exposure to violence and abuse. This is linked to the case management response with protection cases.

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BASIC NEEDS

UNHCR provides humanitarian cash assistance only to the most vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers for a limited duration. For further information on the program and/or requests related to complaints, delegation and appeal requests for cash, please contact Caritas.

Nasr City

📍
30 Sibawe El Masry St., off Anwar El Mofty, behind Nasr City First Traffic Station, Rab’a

Hotline: 15946

Caritas also provides an emergency assistance in case of death, and services for people with specific needs and the elderly. Emergency assistance is also provided through the “People with Specific Needs” project:

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**Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**

UNHCR provides education grants through CRS that help finance education opportunities in Egypt at public, private, and community schools. In addition, CRS offers various educational activities such as Arabic and English language classes, tutoring assistance programmes and vocational training.

Maadi

Education Hotline: 012 8500 3114 & 010 3049 9923
Complaints: 010 0056 4747
Education Advising: 010 6934 1111
Higher Education: 010 1621 1196

**St. Andrew's Refugee Services (StARS)**

Offers various educational programs, including preschool, primary, secondary, and high school utilizing the Sudanese curriculum in English. StARS also offers a range of skills courses, including various levels of English, Arabic, and IT to adult refugees and vulnerable migrants. Several vocational courses are also available for adults, including sewing, handicrafts, and henna.

Downtown

Education Hotline: 012 8500 3114 & 010 3049 9923
Complaints: 010 0056 4747
Education Advising: 010 6934 1111
Higher Education: 010 1621 1196

**World Food Programme (WFP)**

WFP provides food vouchers to the most vulnerable and food insecure refugees registered with UNHCR. WFP sends text messages to registered voucher recipients regarding the period during which the vouchers can be redeemed.

02 2529 9830 / 010 2364 6706
080 0555 5222

**International Organization for Migration (IOM)**

IOM operates a Resettlement Support Centre (RSC) for the Middle East and North Africa (RSC MENA) to conduct resettlement processing - free of charge - for the United States Refugee Admissions Programme in fifteen countries throughout the MENA region.

You may contact the RSC MENA Egypt Processing site:
- www.jordan.iom.int/refinfo
- Hotline number: 19472 or by email at ic@iom.int

In addition, IOM aims to bolster the well-being and protection of vulnerable migrants in Egypt through the provision of tailored assistance on a case-by-case basis to victims of trafficking, survivors of gender-based violence, and other vulnerable groups including:
- Asylum-seekers awaiting registration appointments with UNHCR (white paper holders).
- Migrants who do not intend to register with the UNHCR, or had their UNHCR files closed, and have been living in Egypt for at least 6 months.

MPA provides two kinds of services:
- **Localized Assistance:** includes the following assistances based on the assessment of each case: socio-economic, housing, livelihood, legal, education, mental health & psychosocial support, non-food items and medical assistance.
- **Assisted Voluntary Return & Reintegration (AVRR):** IOM provides the administrative and logistical support, including reintegration assistance, to migrants who decide to return voluntarily to their country of origin. The AVRR assistance cannot be provided to those who want to return to countries that are deemed unsafe.

**Migrant Protection & Assistance Hotline**

010 3204 6064 | Sunday to Thursday 09:00 - 12:00

**IOM Registration**

010 3339 8239 | Sunday to Wednesday 13:00 - 15:00

**IOM Inquiry Email**

egyptmainquiries@iom.int | Sunday to Wednesday 13:00 - 15:00

Report fraudulent activity

egyptmpafraud@iom.int | Sunday to Wednesday 09:00 - 16:00
Services for Refugees & Asylum-seekers Registered in Greater Cairo

ALL UNHCR SERVICES ARE FREE OF CHARGE

📍 Zamalek: For Syrian refugees and asylum-seekers  
5, Michel Lotf-Allah, Behind Marriott Hotel, Zamalek

📍 6th of October: For all nationalities of refugees and asylum-seekers except Syrians  
17, Mecca El-Mokarrama, 7th District, 6th of October

📍 RSD/T building: Street 44, 8th District, 6th of October

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