Syrian beneficiaries of approved I-130 Petitions for Alien Relative may apply directly for consideration under the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP) without the need for a referral by UNHCR. Beneficiaries may also include their derivatives on their refugee case. Derivatives are defined as spouses and unmarried children who were under 21 years of age on the date the I-130 petition was approved by USCIS.

Refugee processing under this program is currently available in the following locations: Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and United Arab Emirates. We do not anticipate that processing will become available in Syria, Turkey, elsewhere Europe, or in any other regions.

Syrian beneficiaries will receive an email from P2I-130Program@state.gov with a link to an Expression of Interest Google form. If a beneficiary is interested in pursuing refugee resettlement through this program, either the beneficiary or petitioner should complete the Google form. If the beneficiary is eligible for further processing, they will be contacted by a Resettlement Support Center.

Beneficiaries must be physically present in their selected location of processing before their P2 I-130 case can be created and processed. Please be aware that if beneficiaries choose to relocate for refugee processing, the U.S. government will not be in a position to assist them with obtaining a local visa and will not provide assistance relating to their stay.

Regardless of whether eligible beneficiaries elect to be considered for resettlement as a refugee under this program or not, their approved immigrant visa petition will continue to be processed by the National Visa Center.

The U.S. Refugee Admissions Program is free of charge to applicants. If you would like additional information about this program, please review the frequently asked questions available at: https://www.wrapsnet.org/siv-iraqi-syrian-afghan-referrals/.