



What is Private Sponsorship?

The private sponsorship program in the U.S. is called the Welcome Corps. It is a U.S. Department of State program that allows American citizens and permanent residents to voluntarily support refugees. Sponsors can provide refugees with the necessary assistance to start a new life in the USA.

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Sponsorship refers to the support given to refugees for resettlement in a new country. Refugees can get this support through resettlement agencies or private sponsorship through the Welcome Corps.


Traditional refugee resettlement involves direct support from the government. The government takes responsibility for providing financial aid, housing, and other essential services through resettlement agencies.

Private sponsorship involves groups from the community who voluntarily take on the role of supporting refugees. In the United States, this is part of the Welcome Corps. Private sponsors assist refugees with finding housing, offering financial support, and helping refugees integrate into the community.

They need us. We need them.

Contact CATCH to learn more about how you and your group or organization can make a difference through private sponsorship and supporting CATCH.



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