

# Refugee Fast Facts

We have the **privilege** of shining the light of Christ in our neighborhood through this ministry. The families we have helped resettle are overwhelmed by the love shown by strangers through the donations of furniture and house-hold items and time spent setting up their new home.

A frying pan becomes a blessing as the lady of the house hugs it and smiles, realizing it belongs to her.

Children who slept on the ground now have their own beds.

Most have not lived in security or with a solid roof over their heads in years.

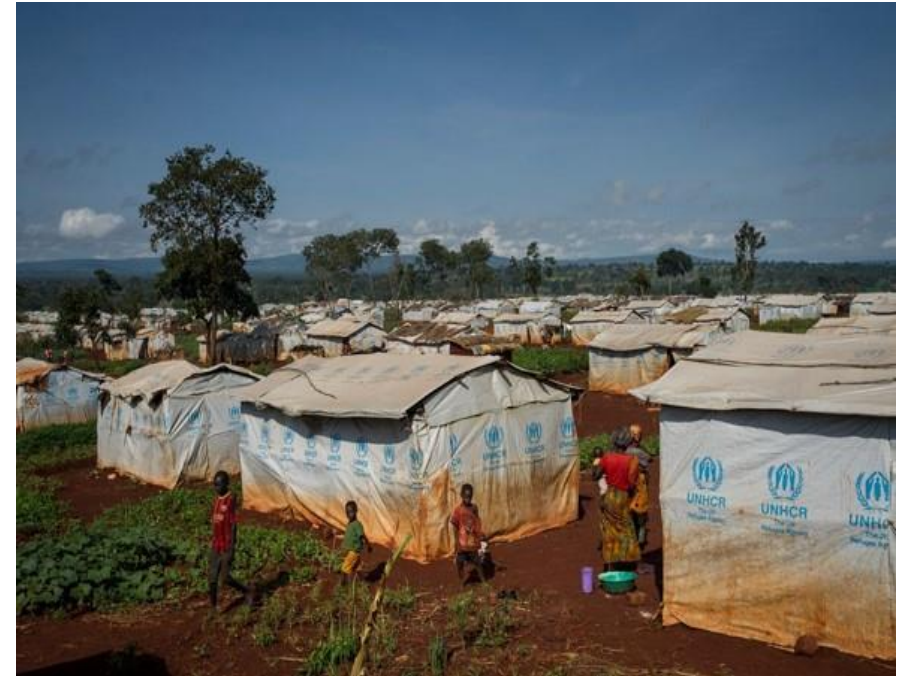
Pictured is a UN Refugee Camp in Tanzania.

Note that there is no electricity or indoor plumbing.

Water for the whole camp is from one well and soap is a luxury.

Refugees are not immigrants. A refugee is someone who is forcefully displaced from their land of origin because of ethnic, political, and/or religious discrimination. Here are some of the details about refugees:

- They lived in UN refugee camps overseas from 3-30 years waiting for visas to come here.
- The US State department vets them to ensure they are not terrorists or criminals.
- They come with only the things they can carry on a plane and determination to succeed.
- They are under contract to become self-sufficient within three months of arrival.
- They must reimburse the travel organization for their airline ticket to the USA.
- They must attend English classes while attempting to find work.
- Refugees resettled are usually families of 2-6 people. The more who come, the better their chances as they support each while adjusting to their new lives.
- 117.2 million people will be forcibly displaced or stateless in 2023 according to the UNHCR's (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) estimations.



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