Overview

According the United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR), refugees are people fleeing conflict or persecution. They are defined and protected in international law, and must not be expelled or returned to situations where their life and freedom are at risk.

Methods of Sponsorship

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Social Assistance

Challenges

- Refugees fleeing into Canada from the US
- Fear and discrimination
- Unemployment
- PTSD
- State responsibility
- Dangerous travel
- Refugee camps
- Gender-based violence

Laws and Policies

- Immigration and Refugee Protection Act
- The Safe Third Country Agreement
- Bill C-31
- Bill C-24

Recommendations

- Repeal Canada-US Safe Third Country Act
- Better state accountability for refugee camps and refugee safety
- Smoother integration of refugees into Canadian society through increased attention to mental health, language barriers, unemployment etc.