

The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society
FY 2017 Affiliate/Sub-office Abstract

National Agency	The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society	Affiliate Code	MIDFMS03
Office State	Michigan	Office City	Grand Rapids
Office Name	Samaritas		
Office Address	207 E. Fulton Street, Grand Rapids, MI 49503		
JOINT SITE		SUB-OFFICE	
If joint site, with which agency or agencies?	LIRS	Sub-office	Grand Rapids, MI
		Administering affiliate	Troy, MI
R&P PROGRAM AFFILIATE STAFFING			
	R&P FTE paid by R&P	R&P FTE paid by other (not including volunteers)	Total Client/FTE Ratio
FY 2016	2.4	0.0	71/1
FY 2017	2.4	0.35	58/1

CASELOAD STATISTICS (number of individuals)	FY 2015 Actual Arrivals		135			
	FY 2016 Acknowledged Capacity		155			
	FY 2016 Anticipated Arrivals		170			
PROPOSED FY 2017						
	AF	EA	ECA	LAC	NE/SA	Total
U.S. Tie Capacity	55	30	0	0	25	110
No U.S. Tie Capacity	25	0	0	0	25	50
Total Capacity	80	30	0	0	50	160

FY 2015 R&P PERIOD REPORT OUTCOMES					
Total R&P Period Reports Submitted for FY 2015			55 cases/135 individuals		
R&P Period Employment	33%	24/73	R&P Period Out-Migration	4%	6/135
R&P Period Basic Needs and Core Services Provided	100%	55/55	R&P Period Household Income Exceeds Expenses	96%	51/53

RECENT R&P MONITORING OUTCOMES			
Date of most recent PRM monitoring visit:	August 2013	Compliance Rating	Compliant
Date of most recent Resettlement Agency headquarters monitoring visit (R&P):	September 2015	Compliance Rating	Compliant

RECENT AND PROPOSED CASELOAD	
Nationalities served FY 2015–FY 2016	Bhutan, Burma, Burundi, Congo, Cuba, Democratic Republic of Congo, Iraq, Rwanda, Somalia, Syria
Proposed nationalities FY 2017	Bhutan, Burma, Burundi, Cuba, Democratic Republic of Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iran, Iraq, Rwanda, Somalia, Sudan, Syria
Languages available on staff to support the proposed caseload	Arabic, Burmese- Chin, French, Hindi, Kinyarwanda, Lingala, Nepali, Somali, Spanish, Swahili

Languages available from within the community of resettlement to support the proposed caseload	Amharic, Arabic, Burmese- Chin, Burmese- Karen, Burmese- Rohingya, Farsi, Kirundi, Nepali, Oromo, Somali, Spanish, Swahili, Tigrinya
Other language resources used	Samaritas subcontracts with telephonic interpretation to meet unanticipated/unique language needs, and is used infrequently (2-3 times per week for short, information calls to clients, i.e. inform them of upcoming appointments)

SITE RATIONALE	
Number of other affiliates present	One
Local overall unemployment rate	3.4% February 2016, Bureau of Labor Statistics
Available jobs for refugees	Manufacturing, food production (agricultural and industrial), hospitality (hotel/housekeeping), and healthcare
Average starting wage for refugees	The average starting wage was \$9.65 per hour. 90% were employed in full-time jobs, 10% were employed in part-time jobs, and 90% were offered benefits by their employers.
Average monthly rent and availability	1-Bedroom: \$650 Available: Always 2-Bedroom: \$750 Available: Always 3-Bedroom: \$925 Available: Frequently

GRIEVANCE AND PROTECTION FROM SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE (PSEA) POLICY	
Indicate whether you have a grievance policy.	X Yes ___No
Indicate whether you have incorporated the IASC’s six core principles for PSEA in your organization’s code of conduct for all staff and volunteers.	X Yes ___No

1. **Health Care Access and Refugees with Special Needs:** Samaritas-Grand Rapids is able to accommodate the resettlement of refugees with all types of special needs, the only exceptions are complex medical conditions requiring dialysis treatment at arrival, as referrals to the dialysis provider requires approved Medicaid and can take up to 30 days post-arrival for approval. This delay in specialist referral is strictly for clients that require dialysis. Samaritas participates in a Refugee Health Collaborative, a meeting of resettlement agencies and health providers, and has invited the dialysis clinic to attend future meetings to explore alternatives for refugees potentially in need of this care.
2. **Community Engagement:** In FY16 Samaritas led the Freedom Flight Refugee Task Force (FFRTF), a bimonthly meeting of resettlement agencies, SRC, health providers, ethnic leaders, and schools, which serves as the venue for Quarterly Community Consultations. Two sub-committees have also grown out of the FFRTF to address any issues related to healthcare access and affordable housing. These sub-committees meet separately and network with providers to share best practices and advocate for refugees. In FY16, this work resulted in two new clinics agreeing to serve refugees and multiple new landlords providing housing for R&P clients. Samaritas’ Advancement Department also promoted the R&P program to the community through dinners, social media, and press releases, resulting in one new co-sponsor volunteer group and an

increase in individual donor contributions of \$4,500 in 2016 for EMM R&P cases. Samaritas also formally became a member of the Grand Rapids Interfaith network, a group of faith communities and organizations that network for interfaith education and service. This resulted in two new co-sponsors and six new volunteers after participation in an interfaith event to promote welcoming refugees. Samaritas is also partnering with the Grand Rapids Pride Center to establish a network of service providers and best practices related to LGBTQ refugees. Strategic engagement plans for FY17 include continued outreach to faith communities and universities for co-sponsorship and volunteer groups through a new Refugee Sponsorship position funded through a private donation. Samaritas expects ten co-sponsorship agreements from faith and community groups as a benchmark for this position for EMM resettled cases. Samaritas will continue FFRTF leadership in FY17 as an effective strategy to inform and engage with stakeholders, and also expects to educate and expand the network of providers for refugees through ongoing meetings with the LGBTQ community.

3. **Financial Resources:** In FY15 and FY16 Samaritas raised support from congregations and individuals, and gifts from corporate partners. Funds raised were utilized for emergent needs such as rent, furnishings, utilities, and transportation, and to fund a co-sponsorship developer position. In-kind contributions were furniture, household items, space for ESL classes, and donation storage. Volunteers and interns assisted the R&P program with transportation, housing set up, cultural brokering, and ESL tutoring. During FY15 and FY16 Samaritas conducted a fundraising campaign to raise more than \$2,775 to assist R&P clients. Samaritas will continue to raise and utilize support in FY17, recruiting individual volunteers, interns, and co-sponsors, and continue fundraising with Samaritas' Advancement department.

Projected Contributions to the R&P Program						
Type of Donor	FY 2015 Actual Cash	FY 2015 Actual In-kind Value	FY 2016 Estimated Cash	FY 2016 Estimated In-kind Value	FY 2017 Projected Cash	FY 2017 Projected In-kind Value
Foundations/Corporations	\$2,750	\$5,000	\$3,500	\$5,500	\$4,000	\$4,000
Faith-based/Community-based Organizations	\$14,000	\$14,700	\$16,000	\$19,000	\$17,000	\$21,500
Fees for Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Individuals	\$7,000	\$3,500	\$11,550	\$6,000	\$15,400	\$5,000
Volunteer Hours/Miles	\$0	\$19,000	\$0	\$20,500	\$0	\$23,000
State/County/Local Government:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Headquarters	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Affiliate/Sub-office	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTALS	\$23,750	\$42,200	\$31,050	\$51,000	\$36,400	\$53,500
TOTALS PER CAPITA	\$176	\$313	\$200	\$329	\$227	\$334