

National Agency	Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service	Affiliate Code	MILIRS05
Office State	Michigan	Office City	Battle Creek
Office Name	Samaritas		
Office Address	2 West Michigan Ave. Suite 300, Battle Creek, MI 49017		
JOINT SITE		SUB-OFFICE	
If joint site, with which agency or agencies?	N/A	Sub-office	N/A
		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	2.5	0	70:1
FY 2017	3.1	0	71:1

CASELOAD STATISTICS (number of individuals)	FY 2015 Actual Arrivals	140				
	FY 2016 Acknowledged Capacity	178				
	FY 2016 Anticipated Arrivals	178				
PROPOSED FY 2017	AF	EA	ECA	LAC	NE/SA	Total
U.S. Tie Capacity	0	80	0	0	15	95
No U.S. Tie Capacity	50	25	0	0	50	125
Total Capacity	50	105	0	0	65	220

FY 2015 R&P PERIOD REPORT OUTCOMES			
Total R&P Period Reports Submitted for FY 2015		63/140	
R&P Period Employment	43% and 34/80	R&P Period Out-Migration	7% and 10/140
R&P Period Basic Needs and Core Services Provided	92% and 58/63	R&P Period Household Income Exceeds Expenses	100% and 57/57

RECENT R&P MONITORING OUTCOMES			
Date of most recent PRM monitoring visit:	August 9, 2012	Compliance Rating	Compliant
Date of most recent Resettlement Agency headquarters monitoring visit (R&P):	August 26, 2013	Compliance Rating	Compliant

RECENT AND PROPOSED CASELOAD	
Nationalities served FY 2015–FY 2016	Burmese, Burmese-Chin, Congolese, Iraqi, Syrian
Proposed nationalities FY 2017	Afghan, Burmese-Chin, Congolese, Iraqi, Sudanese, Syrian
Languages available on staff to support the proposed caseload	Arabic, Burmese, Burmese-Chin, French, Kurdish

Languages available from within the community of resettlement to support the proposed caseload	Arabic, Burmese, Burmese- Chin, Farsi, French, Swahili
Other language resources used	Professional in-person interpretation- used seldom for rare language needs; Telephonic interpretation- available at any time but used infrequently and only when in-person interpreting is not available through Certified Languages International

SITE RATIONALE	
Number of other affiliates present	0
Local overall unemployment rate	4.6, Bureau of Labor Statistics
Available jobs for refugees	Food production, hospitality (restaurant and hotel), manufacturing, and retail
Average starting wage for refugees	FY15:\$9.50, 95% FT, 85% offered benefits after 180 days FY16: \$9.75, 90% FT, 95% offered benefits after 180 days
Average monthly rent and availability <i>(Note whether Always, Frequently, Sometimes, or Never Available)</i>	1-Bedroom: \$575 Available: Always 2-Bedroom: \$650 Available: Always 3-Bedroom: \$850 Available: Always

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 Battle Creek is unable to resettle cases with severe physical or developmental disabilities in need of wheelchairs due to a lack of handicap-accessible housing options upon arrival. Samaritas conducts ongoing outreach to area landlords and property managers and will continue this outreach to those with handicap-accessible units in FY2017.

2. Community Engagement: In FY 2016, Samaritas led the Battle Creek refugee task force, a bimonthly meeting health providers, ethnic leaders, schools, MAA's, and other required Quarterly Community Consultation (QCC) attendees and also serves as the venue for QCCs. The task force allows Samaritas to collaboratively address issues refugees may be facing in the community, and advocate for equitable access to services. From these meetings resulted a new partnership with the Battle Creek Police Department with plans to provide ongoing community safety and law enforcement orientation to refugees beginning in the summer of FY 2016. Through the task force, Samaritas Battle Creek established a new relationship with the Fair Housing Center of Southwest Michigan to provide fair housing training to Samaritas staff and refugee tenants. Another engagement is with the Battle Creek City Commission to support the Welcoming Michigan initiative, a statewide campaign that works with municipalities to help their communities become more inclusive of immigrants and refugees, and resulted in commissioners voting in favor to join the Welcoming City

program. Samaritas also initiated outreach with nearby city of Kalamazoo, as interest in resettlement there has risen considerably. Samaritas presented to churches and faith groups, universities, and other organizations and was able to partner in forming the Kalamazoo Refugee Council. The Council meets twice per month to discuss refugee issues and plan for the community to receive refugees from Samaritas, specifically Congolese and Syrian cases. As a result, one new co-sponsor agreed to sponsor two cases and multiple churches are preparing for future co-sponsorships as well as individual volunteers signing up to be involved. Strategic plans for FY 2017 include continued outreach to faith communities and universities for co-sponsorship and volunteers. Samaritas expects five co-sponsorship agreements from community groups and 25 volunteers as benchmarks. Samaritas will also continue Battle Creek and Kalamazoo task force leadership in FY 2017 as an effective strategy to inform and engage with stakeholders, and to focus on developing new resources and partners to meet challenges with housing supply and expand access to language support services for new populations

3. Financial Resources: In FY 2015 and FY2016, 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. In-kind contributions were furniture, household items, and space for ESL classes. Volunteers and interns assisted the R&P program with transportation, housing set up, cultural brokering, and ESL tutoring. During FY 2015 and FY 2016 Samaritas Advancement conducted a fundraising campaign to raise more than \$2,000 to assist R&P clients. Samaritas will continue to raise and utilize support in FY 2017, recruiting volunteers, interns, and co-sponsors, and continued fundraising with Samaritas Advancement department, to include a World Refugee Day event, board dinners, and appeals to individuals and churches.

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	\$18,000	\$4,500	\$21,000	\$5,000	\$25,000	\$5,000
Faith-based/Community-based Organizations	\$2,600	\$4,200	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$6,500	\$9,000
Fees for Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Individuals	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$4,000	\$8,000	\$7,000	\$9,000
Volunteer Hours/Miles	\$0	\$29,000	\$0	\$31,000	\$0	\$34,000
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	\$23,600	\$43,700	\$28,000	\$50,000	\$38,500	\$57,000
TOTALS PER CAPITA	\$169	\$312	\$157	\$281	\$175	\$259