

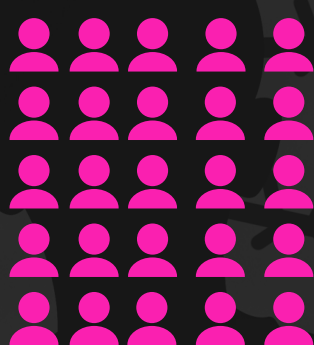


Mercy Global Action affirms the rights of **REFUGEES**



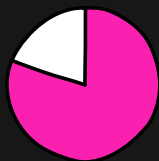
The United Nations 1951 Refugee Convention defines a refugee as someone crossing international borders to flee “a well-founded fear of persecution because of his/her race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion.”

The main principle of the convention is non-refoulement, which means that a refugee should not be returned to an unsafe environment.



EVERY MINUTE

25 people flee their homes. They are escaping terror, war, and persecution.



80% OF REFUGEES

When people must flee, about 80% of refugees stay in countries neighboring their own.



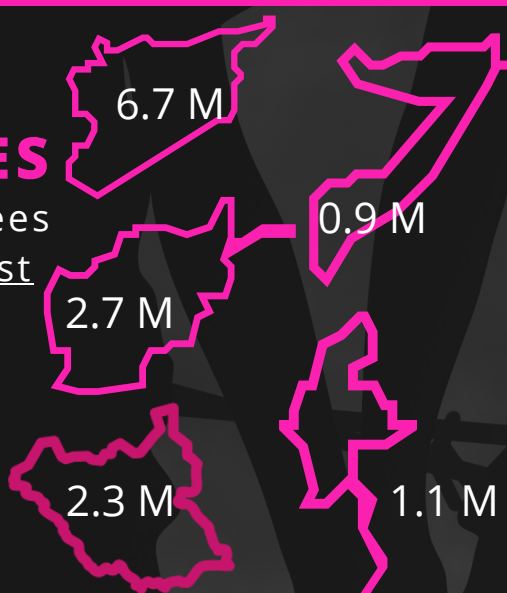
70.8 M

By the end of 2018 there were about 70.8 Million refugees around the world.

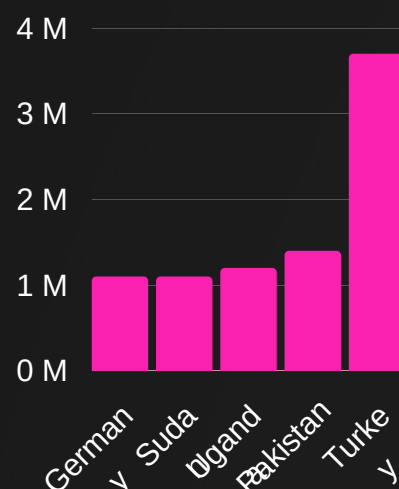
67% OF REFUGEES

67% of refugees come from just 5 countries:

Syria,
Afghanistan,
South Sudan,
Myanmar, &
Somalia



TOP 5 HOSTS



RIGHTS OF REFUGEES

- The right not to be expelled, except under certain, strictly defined conditions;
- The right not to be punished for illegal entry into the territory of a contracting State;
- The right to work;
- The right to housing;
- The right to education;
- The right to public relief and assistance;
- The right to freedom of religion;
- The right to access the courts;
- The right to freedom of movement within the territory;
- The right to be issued identity and travel documents.



Advocate:

- Review recommendations the Special Rapporteur has made to your country.
- Learn about refugees contributing to your community.
- Share this infographic across your social media!