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TO: DIRECTORS, LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES DEPUTY/ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOR FAMILY INVESTMENT FAMILY INVESTMENT SUPERVISORS AND CASE MANAGERS

FROM: CHARLES E. HENRY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: REFUGEE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

PROGRAM AFFECTED: REFUGEE CASH ASSISTANCE

ORIGINATING OFFICE: OFFICE OF POLICY, RESEARCH AND SYSTEMS

SUMMARY

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The Maryland Office for New Americans (MONA) has recently received calls from refugees who were sent to the wrong address to register for refugee employment. The correct refugee employment services contractor addresses are listed below.

As you know, Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) cases containing employable individuals must register for employment services. Registration is required regardless of the date of entry into the U.S. and whether or not the individual has a social security number. The employable refugee or asylee must be referred to the Employment Security Administration (ESA) to register for employment in those jurisdictions where refugee employment services are not available.

Refugees or asylees receiving Non Public Assistance-Medical Assistance (NPA-MA) in any category do not have to register for employment services. Refugees or asylees who receive Non Public Assistance-Food Stamps (NPA-FS) must meet the work registration requirements of that program.

Please note that the contract for refugee employment services can change from year to year. If you want to be certain to make a current referral, call the Maryland Office for New Americans at 410-767-7514, -8970 or -7071.

Local Family Investment staff in Baltimore City, Montgomery County and Prince George's County must refer <u>all</u> refugees or asylees who meet the employment requirements of the RCA program to the current employment services contractor, Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area. Their offices in the three jurisdictions are:

Montgomery Office:	Contact Person – Mr. Ibrahim Rasool – (301) 445-9541	
	Refugee Employment Services 7410 New Hampshire Avenue Takoma Park, MD 20912	
Prince George's Office:	Contact Person – Mr. Ariwan Susey – (301) 445-7275	
	Refugee Employment Services 6313 64 th Avenue Riverdale, MD 20737	
Baltimore City Office:	Contact Person – Mr. Igor Milosevic – (410) 558-3195	
	Refugee Employment Services 3516 Eastern Avenue Baltimore, MD 21224	

INQUIRIES

Please direct questions to Rick McClendon at (410) 767-8513.

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