**Women at Risk**
During standard registration interviews UNHCR flags vulnerable cases for possible resettlement. Refugees cannot apply for resettlement. Only recognized refugees whose life, liberty, safety, health, or other fundamental rights are at risk in the host country are considered for resettlement. Persons found to have committed serious crimes or who might pose a threat to others would not be referred for resettlement in another country.

**Global Resettlement by the Numbers:**

- Less than 1% of the world’s refugees are ever resettled.
- More than 30 countries around the world currently accept refugees for resettlement.
- 162,500 refugee resettlement spaces were made available by those governments in 2016.
- 7% of the global refugee population is in need of resettlement.

**Resettlement to Canada**
Canada has an exceptional history of welcoming refugees and is the second largest resettlement country in the world. Since 1959, Canada has resettled almost 700,000 refugees. After less than one year, 90% of Syrian refugees resettled in 2015/2016 reported having a strong or very strong sense of belonging to Canada.

**Canada Has Three Different Resettlement Programs**

- **Government Assisted**
  - Refugee referred by: UNHCR
  - Financial assistance: From the Federal Government for one year

- **Private Sponsorship**
  - Refugee referred by: A private sponsor
  - Financial assistance: From the financial sponsor for the first year

- **Blended Visa**
  - Refugee referred by: UNHCR
  - Financial assistance: Six months from sponsor, six months from government

- Programs Used in 2016:
  - Government Assisted: 40%
  - Private Sponsorship: 9%
  - Blended Visa: 51%

**Resettlement to Canada by Region of Origin (2016):**
- Africa: 48%
- Europe: 42%
- Americas: 9%
- Various: 1%
- Asia: 4%
- Middle East: 7%

**Resettlement Referrals to Canada from UNHCR by Vulnerability Category (2016):**
- Only the most vulnerable refugees are referred for resettlement
- Legal/Physical Protection: 11%
- Women at Risk: 9%
- Family Reunification: 6%
- Medical Needs: 5%
- Survivors of Torture/Violence: 5%
- Children At Risk: 5%
- Lack of Alternative Solutions: 5%
- Other: 16%