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(CCC) Refugees

I am writing to request any information that the council may currently hold about the status of refugees in Cambridge and the current progress of the 5 year refugee resettlement program. I am aware that the council committed in 2021 to provide 4 council houses per year to support the resettlement program but I would like some further information about the current status of the program.

Response

Yes

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The Council is currently supporting the resettlement of 126 refugees (from the Home Office's Syrian and Afghan resettlement schemes). From December 2015 to present, a total of 194 refugees have been supported in resettlement by the Council. More Afghan families are due to be moved from bridging hotels, from December 2022, to be resettled in Cambridge.

Refugees do not apply for community sponsorship, only charities can do so and there is one current charity in Cambridge that does this.

We aim to provide a high-quality service to you and hope that you are satisfied with this response. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Further queries on this matter should be directed to foi@cambridge.gov.uk