

Dear Mr./Ms. -----,¹

Across the United States, thousands of Afghans like you have begun to build new lives. We need your help understanding the experiences of your resettlement, so that Afghan evacuees are better supported in their new communities.

You have been selected to participate in a voluntary study about how Afghan evacuees who were resettled through Operation Allies Welcome have adapted to life in the U.S. It is funded by the U.S. Office of Refugee Resettlement and being conducted by the Urban Institute and Social Science Research Solutions. A [IF FEMALE: female] trained interviewer will be calling you in a few weeks to conduct a telephone survey in [primary language], [English], or [Dari/Pashto]. You can choose which language you would be most comfortable with. The interviewer will ask some questions about you and your family: your education, work, community, and access to services such as healthcare, transportation, housing, and legal assistance.

The interview will take up to 55 minutes, but it may be shorter. We are providing you \$2 to show appreciation for considering participation in this study. Afterwards, we will also send you a **\$50 gift card** as a token of thanks for participating.

In order to be able to reach you, we want to make sure we have your correct telephone number. This is the number that we have on file: xxx-xxx-xxxx.

If this is not the right number or you prefer a different language (Dari, Pashto, or English), please let us know. You can:

- **Send back** the enclosed contact card with your correct information using the postage-paid envelope,
- **Email** us at [XXXX], OR
- **Call** us at [xxx-xxx-xxxx]. An interviewer who speaks [primary language] will answer the phone, and you can either provide a number where you can be reached at a convenient time, or just do the survey while you are on the phone.

If you would be more comfortable speaking with someone in [English], call xxx-xxx-xxxx or for [Dari/Pashto], call xxx-xxx-xxxx.

Thank you for considering participating in this important study. Your perspective will help us understand what Afghans like you are going through and will help inform how the resettlement services can be improved.

Sincerely,

Timothy Triplett
Urban Institute

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¹ OAW Afghan Supplement Survey Contact Update Request will be translated into Dari and Pashto upon OMB approval.

Thank you for your interest in participating in our study about how Afghan evacuees who were resettled through Operation Allies Welcome have adapted to life in the United States. Your contact information will be kept private and will only be used to contact you for this study.

1. If the phone number we have for you on the letter is not the best number to reach you, please provide your best phone number in the boxes below. This could be a landline home phone or a cell phone.

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2. Is there any other number where we can reach you? If so, please write the number in the box below.

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3. What is your preferred language for the interview? _____

EMAIL LANGUAGE

SUBJECT LINE: Invitation to join a research study on Afghan evacuees in the U.S. funded by the U.S. Office of Refugee Resettlement

Dear Mr./Ms. -----,

Because of your experience as an Afghan evacuee resettled through Operation Allies Welcome, you have been selected to participate in a voluntary study about how you have adapted to life in the U.S. and how you can be better supported. It is funded by the U.S. Office of Refugee Resettlement and being conducted by the Urban Institute and Social Science Research Solutions. A trained [IF FEMALE: female] interviewer will be calling you in a few weeks to conduct a telephone survey in [primary language], [English], or [Dari/Pashto]. You can choose which language you would be most comfortable with. The interviewer will ask some questions about you and your family: your education, work, community, and access to services such as healthcare, transportation, housing, and legal assistance.

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