# **URGENT CALLS NEEDED TODAY: Tell Congress to Hold the Administration Accountable to Setting and Meeting a Robust Refugee Admissions Goal**

Right now, the administration is [dismantling the refugee resettlement program](https://www.nytimes.com/2018/08/01/us/politics/trump-refugees-reduction.html), and is considering setting the refugee admissions goal for Fiscal Year 2019 at a drastic new low of 25,000 refugees or even less. This would follow FY18’s **already historically low goal of 45,000, which the administration has not even come close to meeting, resettling** [**less than 20,000**](http://www.rcusa.org/refugee-tracker/) **refugees, as the fiscal year nears a close.** We have a moral responsibility to decry these reductions in refugee arrivals and to urge our Members of Congress to do everything in their power to have the administration set and meet a robust refugee admissions goal of at least 75,000 in FY19.

By law, the administration must consult with Congress by the end of September, prior to setting the refugee admissions goal, which means Members of Congress can and must make their voices heard. It is critical that members of the **House and Senate Judiciary Committees**, who are in charge of consulting with the administration, hear us strongly condemn a low admissions goal and call for a robust refugee admissions goal of at least 75,000 in FY19.

**Call House and Senate Judiciary Committee Members Today!**

*\*Please call the Senators and Representatives from your state - see below. If your state is not listed, call the leadership of both committees and subcommittees.*

Sample Script: “I’m your constituent from [CITY/TOWN], and I urge you to protect the refugee resettlement program from another drastic cut by the administration. The administration is considering setting the refugee admissions goal at 25,000 for next year, which would be a new all-time low. As a member of the Judiciary Committee, you are uniquely poised to ensure that the administration fulfills its obligation to consult with Congress ahead of deciding how many refugees to welcome in FY19. Please do everything in your power to see that the administration commits to resettling at least 75,000 refugees in 2019. Resettlement is a core American legacy that allows refugees to rebuild their lives. My community welcomes refugees, and I urge you to reflect the best of our nation by supporting refugee resettlement.”

**Committee & Subcommittee Leadership:**

For a full list of Committee Members by state and their contact information, see the bottom of this alert.

* **Senate Full Committee Chair (Iowa):** Senator Chuck Grassley (R-IA): 202-224-3744 / @ChuckGrassley
* **Senate Full Committee Ranking Member (California):** Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA): 202-224-3841 / @SenFeinstein
* **Senate Immigration Subcommittee Chair (Texas):** Senator John Cornyn (R-TX): 202-224-2934 / @JohnCornyn
* **Senate Immigration Subcommittee Ranking Member (Illinois):** Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL): 202-224-2152 / @SenatorDurbin
* **House Full Committee Chair (Virginia):** Representative Bob Goodlatte (R-VA-06): 202-224-2152 / @RepGoodlatte
* **House Full Committee Ranking Member (New York):** Representative Jerry Nadler (D-NY-10): 202-225-5635 / @RepJerryNadler
* **House Immigration Subcommittee Chair (Idaho):** Representative Raùl Labrador (R-ID-01): 202-225-6611 / @Raul\_Labrador
* **House Immigration Subcommittee Ranking Member (California):** Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA-19): 202-225-3072 / @RepZoeLofgren
* **Pennsylvania:**
	+ Representative Tom Marino (R-PA-10): 202-225-3731 / @RepTomMarino
	+ Representative Keith Rothfus (R-PA-12): 202-225-2065 / @KeithRothfus

**Share Your Message on Social Media!** Please tweet at the [Senate and House Judiciary Committee Members](https://twitter.com/cspan/lists/senators/members?lang=en). Here are sample posts:

* .[@memberofcongress]: America must remain a country of welcome. Please do your part to see that the administration commits to resettling at least 75,000 refugees in FY 2019. #Welcome75k #RefugeesWelcome
* .[@memberofcongress]: Only 19,000 refugees have arrived in the U.S. this fiscal year. The refugee resettlement program is being dismantled in front of our eyes. Please do your part to help vulnerable refugees. #Welcome75k
* .[@memberofcongress]: The White House is considering setting the refugee admissions goal at 25,000 for FY 19 - the lowest in history. This is unacceptable and un-American. Please do your part to ensure we #Welcome75k.
* .[@memberofcongress]: Refugee resettlement is a core American legacy that allows people to rebuild their lives. My community welcomes refugees, and I urge you to reflect the best of our nation by supporting refugee resettlement. #Welcome75k #RefugeesWelcome
* .[@memberofcongress]: Thousands of refugee families are being torn apart because America has closed its doors to them. Please show your support for refugee resettlement. #Welcome75k #RefugeesWelcome

**\*Full List of House and Senate Judiciary Committee Members by State:**

* **Alabama:**
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* **Arizona:**
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	+ Representative Andy Biggs (R-AZ-05): 202-225-2635 / @RepAndyBiggsAZ
* **California:**
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	+ Representative Eric Swalwell (D-CA-15): 202-225-5065 / @RepSwalwell
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	+ Representative John Rutherford (R-FL-04): 202-225-2501 / @RepRutherfordFL
	+ Representative Ron DeSantis (R-FL-06): 202-225-2706 / @RepDeSantis
	+ Representative Val Demings (D-FL-10): 202-225-2176 / @RepValDemings
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	+ Representative Doug Collins (R-GA-09): 202-225-9893 / @RepDougCollins
	+ Representative Hank Johnson (D-GA-04): 202-225-1605 / @RepHanJohnson
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	+ Representative Luis Gutiérrez (D-IL-04): 202-225-8203 / @RepGutierrez
	+ Representative Brad Schneider (D-IL-10): 202-225-4835 / @RepSchneider
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	+ Representative Michael Johnson (R-LA-04): 202-225-2777 / @RepMikeJohnson
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