



HIAS

HOLIDAY CALENDAR 2018-2019/5779

Rosh Hashanah

September 9 – 11, 2018

Yom Kippur

September 18 – 19, 2018

Sukkot

September 23 – 30, 2018

National Refugee Shabbat

October 19 – 20, 2018

Hanukkah

December 2 – 10, 2018

International Human Rights Day

December 10, 2018

Purim

March 20 – 21, 2019

Passover

April 19 – 27, 2019

Yom Ha'Shoah

May 1 – 2, 2019

Shavuot

June 8 – 10, 2019

80th Anniversary of M.S. St. Louis

June 6, 2019

World Refugee Day

June 20, 2019

Anniversary of 1951 UN Refugee Convention

July 28, 2019

TAKE ACTION FOR REFUGEES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

There are now more than 68 million displaced people in the world. 25.4 million are refugees who have fled persecution and violence. Yet, the U.S. government continues to implement policies that severely limit the ability of refugees and asylum seekers to find safety in our country. Here is how you can be part of the American Jewish movement for refugees:

LEARN — Education can be a powerful antidote to the fear and outrageous misinformation that pervades the public conversation about refugees. Visit the link below to access FAQs, fact sheets, Jewish holiday resources, ideas for B'nai Mitzvah projects, and more to educate yourself and your community about the contours of the global refugee crisis.

CONNECT — Play a role in welcoming and supporting refugees in your local community. Pro-bono legal assistance, language support, employment mentorship, and being a new friend in a new place are all ways to help refugees acclimate to their new homes. Contact your local refugee resettlement agency to inquire about needs in your community.

ACT — Advocacy on behalf of refugees has never been more important. There is always a reason to raise a strong, moral, Jewish voice to advocate for the safety and dignity of refugees in the U.S. and around the world and to fight back against attacks on the refugee program. Participate in HIAS' grassroots advocacy campaigns to make sure that elected officials and the press know that you and your community support resettlement and the protection of refugees and asylum seekers – some of our world's most vulnerable individuals. From making a phone call, to joining a rally or action, to organizing a meeting with elected officials, there are so many ways to make a difference. Visit the link below for up-to-the-minute opportunities to take action, and join the Jews for Refugees Facebook group to connect with other activists.

Visit hias.org/take-action for ways to take action for refugees all year round.

HIAS, the world's oldest, and only Jewish, refugee organization, rescues, resettles, and advocates for refugees so they can live in safety and with dignity. We work with refugees in ten countries and through our resettlement network in nearly 20 U.S. locations. We also mobilize the Jewish community to respond together to the global refugee crisis.



Welcome the stranger.
Protect the refugee.