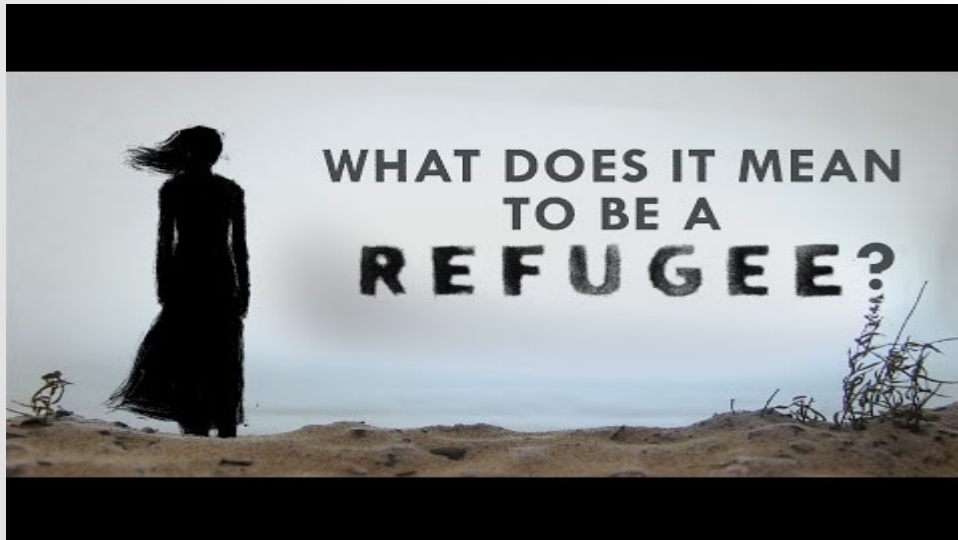




# WHO IS A REFUGEE?

- UN definition (1951)
  - A **refugee** is someone who has been forced to flee his or her country because of persecution, war, or violence. A **refugee** has a well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25bwiSikRsl>



# 65.3

MILLION  
FORCIBLY  
DISPLACED  
WORLDWIDE

If these 65.3 million persons were a nation, they would make up the 21<sup>st</sup> largest in the world.

21.3 million persons were refugees

16.1 million under UNHCR's mandate

5.2 million Palestinian refugees registered by UNRWA

40.8 million internally displaced persons<sup>1</sup>

3.2 million asylum-seekers



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People worldwide are **displaced** from their homes every minute

# RESETTLEMENT STEPS



- U.S. Refugee Admission Process
- Reception and Placement Programming
- Life in the U.S.

# FACTORS IMPACTING MIGRATION



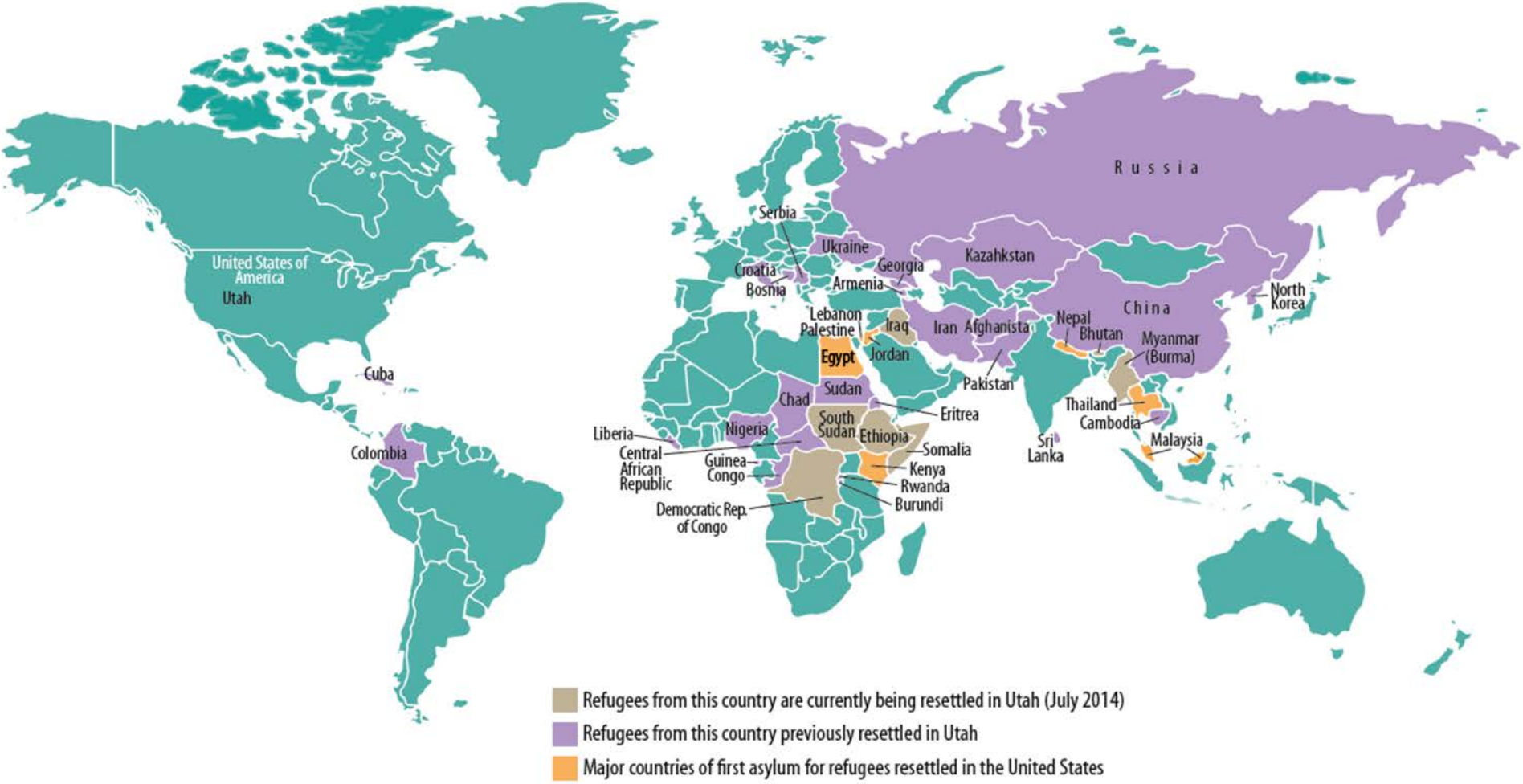


# OVERARCHING CATEGORIES FOR MEASURING INTEGRATION

- Employment & economic sufficiency
- Education & training
- Children's education
- Health & physical well being
- Housing
- Social bonding
- Social bridging
- Language & culture
- Safety & stability
- Civic engagement

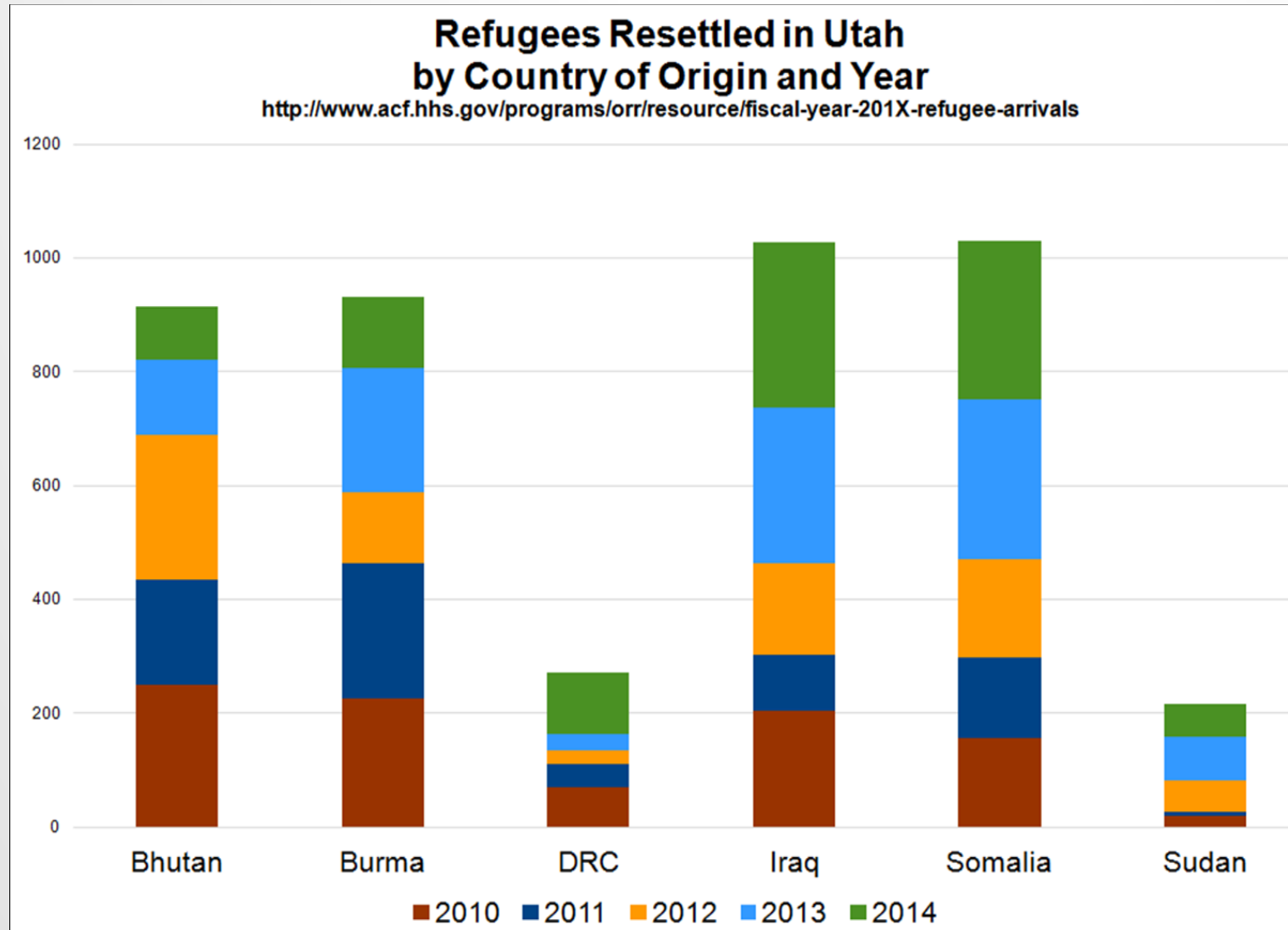


# Major Countries of Refugee Resettlement in Utah





# LARGEST COMMUNITIES RESETTLED IN UTAH





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# THE CITY LIBRARY OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR REFUGEES PARTNERING WITH THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION OF UTAH

- The City Library (SLCPL) plays a critical role in the lives of refugees and immigrants in Salt Lake City.
- The City Library provides monthly computer classes at the Asian Association of Utah.
- When refugees come to The City Library, they are given an orientation and are shown the many resources available to them.
- The International Rescue Committee (IRC) offers guided tours of the Main Library.
- The City Library also works with Catholic Community Services of Utah to reach out to refugees and immigrants.



Refugees using Marmalade Library's Creative Lab

Photo Credit: Pamela Kenrick

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES SUPPORT REFUGEES



Refugees from AAU using the computers at Marmalade Library.

Photo Credit: Pamela Kenrick

- Refugees learn many necessary skills at The City Library and are provided with Citizenship Kits.
- The City Library works collaboratively with the University of Utah to offer English language instruction, citizenship classes, mental health support, and additional resources.
- The City Library offers assistance with resumes and finding employment.



# PARTNERS

## English Skills Learning Center

- English language classes
- Conversation practice
- Financial Literacy

## Department of Workforce Services

- Summer refugee internship program
- World Refugee Day

## Resettlement agencies

- International Rescue Committee
- Asian Association of Utah
- Catholic Community Social Services



# OUTREACH

Granite School District

- Refugee Parent Orientation
- Refugee Family Night

Sunnyvale Neighborhood Center

- Part of Asian Association of Utah
- Summer reading program
- Afterschool programs

Bud Bailey Neighborhood Center

- Housing Authority of Utah
- Storytimes
- Afterschool programs





# RESOURCES



- Financial Literacy curriculum:  
<http://www.slcolibrary.org/smartInvesting/curriculum.htm>
- Introduction to libraries for new Americans:  
<http://guides.omahalibrary.org/newamericans/refugee>
- Refugee outreach resources for library staff:  
[www.ifla.org](http://www.ifla.org) (Keyword Search: Public Libraries and Refugees)
- Catholic Community Social Services:  
<https://www.ccsutah.org/>
- International Rescue Committee:  
<https://www.rescue.org/united-states/salt-lake-city-ut>
- Refugee & Immigrant Center – Asian Association of Utah: <http://aau-slc.org/>
- University of Utah: Center for Research on Migration & Refugee Integration  
<http://socialwork.utah.edu/research/center-for-research-on-migration-and-refugee-integration/>

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