







Toolkit - WRD Digital Week of Action

Background:

World Refugee Day is observed annually on June 20th. This date celebrates the resilience, courage, and impacts of refugees worldwide. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness about the plight of forcibly displaced individuals and advocating for their rights, protection, and well-being.

Every year, We Are All America (WAAA) invites local leaders, partners, and advocates to join a series of impactful actions and events aimed at celebrating our refugee communities, engaging local elected officials, and learning more about ways to support refugees and refugee resettlement.

As part of these efforts, WAAA, Refugee Congress, Refugee Advocacy Lab, and IRAP are launching a Digital Week of Action, a dynamic initiative designed to mobilize the field of forcibly displaced people and their supporters. This week-long campaign harnesses the power of social media, online platforms, and digital advocacy to amplify the voices of refugees, share their stories, and highlight the urgent need for robust refugee protections and resettlement programs.

Monday 6/17 - Policy Rundown	Post graphics of federal policies that affect forcibly displaced people.
	☐ Tag us and let us know how you can connect your lived experience to advocating for one of these policies.
Tuesday 6/18 - Stories of Welcome and Community	☐ Share a video, quote, or audio message about your experience being welcomed to the U.S. and how you are working to make your community

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	more welcoming and inclusive for others. Here are helpful guidelines and a script!
	□ Reshare the videos that WAAA, Refugee Congress, Refugee Advocacy Lab, and IRAP share throughout the day.
Wednesday 6/19 - Juneteenth Remembrance and Solidarity	Read this <u>article</u> and this <u>op-ed</u> (TW: sensitive topics discussed).
	Share the Haitian Bridge Alliance's ask to <u>Extend and Redesignate Haitifor TPS</u> .
	☐ Sign and share African Communities Together's petition to grant Humanitarian Parole for Sudan.
Thursday 6/20 - World Refugee Day	Use this <u>form</u> to contact your elected officials and ask them to sign onto the Welcoming Refugees Campaign.
	☐ BONUS: tweet a thank you to elected officials that have already signed on.
Friday 6/21 - The Advocacy Continues	Register for WAAA's National Advocacy Days and share the invitation with other forcibly displaced people.
	Meet with your elected officials and ask them to pass Welcoming Resolutions. You can use our Take Action templates.
	Continue to ask them to sign on to the Welcoming Refugees Campaign.
	 Learn more about state & local advocacy in a new mini-series from our organizations coming soon.