

Organisations	Information/Support
Refugee Council of Australia www.refugeecouncil.org.au	Service Directory, links to organisations across Australia who offer support services to refugees and people seeking asylum: Services and information - Refugee Council of Australia
Refugee Legal Refugee Legal Phone: (03) 9413 0101 (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)	Legal assistant for people impacted by the crisis in Afghanistan: This information sheet outlines key information for people seeking legal help who are impacted by the crisis in Afghanistan. This includes people who are currently: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In Afghanistan seeking to urgently evacuate to Australia or, 2. In Australia impacted by the crisis in Afghanistan Afghanistan-info-sheet-FINAL.pdf (refugeelaw.org.au)
Asylum Seeker Resources Centre (ASRC) www.asrc.org.au Note: ASRC is open during lockdown but please contact ASRC before attending ASRC's Opening Hours & Services Phone: (03) 9326 6066	Information for people impacted by the crisis in Afghanistan: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How to seek help from Afghanistan 2. How to seek help on behalf of someone in Afghanistan 3. How to get visa advise for people currently living in Australia, originally from Afghanistan https://asrc.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Infosheet-Afghanistan-Help-1.pdf For other legal assistance with TPV or SHEV Protection Visa Interviews (2015 – 2017) or expiring Bridging Visa E (medevac refugees only). https://asrc.org.au/fast-track-interview-deadline/

<p>Foundation House www.foundationhouse.org.au</p> <p><u>Phone:</u> (03) 9389 8888 <u>Email:</u> info@foundationhouse.org.au</p> <p>Note: Foundation House officers are closed during Victorian Lockdown</p>	<p>Links to support for Visa inquiries, specialised counselling, and mental health support</p> <p>To all members of the Afghan community: Foundation House stands in solidarity with you. Foundation House</p> <p><u>Teacher Resource:</u> Supporting students and families of Afghan background</p> <p>New resources for school staff: Supporting students and families of Afghan background Foundation House</p>
<p>RACS_ NSW</p>	<p>Current Options for Afghans and legal assistance:</p> <p>Fact Sheets — RACS Refugee Advice & Casework Service</p>
<p>Calma Group_ Kate Jackson www.calmagroup.com</p>	<p>Important! Latest visa news for Afghans - Bing video – ENGLISH and DARI</p>
<p>Overview of financial support for people of refugee background during Covid 19</p>	<p>To request the updated link please Email: Rob.Koch@monashhealth.org by typing in subject line ‘PDF Please’.</p> <p>Latest link to access the list of financial support: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aLOgFT_rGej8aUkLG9T_WWslhP_UdknR/view?usp=sharing</p> <p>Note: The 'COVID-19 concession period' for TPV/SHEV visa holders has been extended. Therefore, the Federal Government's 'Special Benefit' (fortnightly payment equivalent to Job Seeker) is still available to TPV & SHEV holders (except full-time students) and will NOT affect SHEV Pathway Requirements.</p>
<p>UNHCR- help Afghanistan</p>	<p>Relocation programs: list of relocation programs based on official information and link of what countries offer:</p> <p>https://help.unhcr.org/afghanistan/relocation/</p>

<p>Afghanistan Crisis Helpline_ Asia Pacific Network of Refugees</p> <p>Phone: 1800 855 707</p>	<p>You can call the helpline if you are an Afghan national in Australia, Iran, or still in Afghanistan</p> <p>Supports include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide emergency support items2. Link you with mental health counsellors3. Refer you for pro bono legal support
<p>STTARS_ Supporting Survivors of Torture and Trauma</p>	<p>Guidance and information about how to respond to people in distress (Afghanistan Crisis):</p> <p>https://www.sttars.org.au/uploads/Responding-to-People-in-Distress-Afghanistan-Crisis.pdf</p>