

Refugee Sponsorship Hits the Road to Mark First Anniversary of UK Program

People in six cities and towns in England and Wales will this week have a chance to learn more about how local communities can directly resettle refugees thanks to a roadshow supported by the UK government, a variety of civil society organizations, and the [Global Refugee Sponsorship Initiative](#) (GRSI).

The roadshow corresponds with the one-year anniversary of the UK's community sponsorship program.

The program will feature some of the UK's first sponsor groups; community and civil society leaders involved in the program; and government officials responsible for administering the scheme.

They will be accompanied by a delegation of sponsors and experts from Canada, where a community-based sponsorship model has successfully resettled almost 300,000 refugees since 1979. Several high-profile politicians from both Canada and the UK will also be participating at various locations throughout the week.

The touring delegation will attend public meetings at community centers in Kingston, London, Bristol, Birmingham, Aberystwyth and Manchester.

The purpose of the roadshow is to promote refugee sponsorship amongst UK communities, as well as to provide technical information about how to sponsor.

For more information on becoming a refugee sponsor in the UK, visit the [UK Home Office](#).

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