

World Refugee Day



One in 122 people worldwide is either a refugee, internally displaced, or seeking asylum, says UNHCR's annual [Global Trends Report: World at War](#). And given that 58% of all refugees are children, [World Refugee Day](#) is a time to reflect on the educational impact of emergency situations, which affect millions of children worldwide.

According to the UNHCR report, the number of refugees has risen to a staggering 59.5 million in 2014, an increase of over 8 million in just one year. The main reason for such a jump is the war in Syria, which saw an average of 42,500 become refugees every day last year.

On World Refugee Day, held every year on June 20th, we commemorate the strength, courage and perseverance of millions of refugees.

In a world where violence forces thousands of families to flee for their lives each day, the time is now to show that the global public stands with refugees.

To do this, the UN Refugee Agency launched the [#WithRefugees petition](#) in June 2016 to send a message to governments that they must work together and do their fair share for refugees.

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