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 While ORR's direct engagement and services may be restricted to those who have been in the country for less than five years, ORR's outreach and collaboration with refugee populations extend far past their initial resettlement period, as well as post-naturalization, as refugees transition from being newly-arrived to established, and ultimately full participants in American communities. One of the most concrete ways in which ORR engages with refugee communities is through its Ethnic Community Self Help Program. The objective of the program is to support ethnic community-based organizations (ECBOs) in providing refugee populations with critical services to assist them in becoming integrated members of American society.

Currently, ECBOs are directly funded under the program to provide culturally and linguistically appropriate services to refugees of diverse ethnic and national origins. (Indirectly, ORR funds countless other ECBOs through state subcontracts and similar mechanisms.) Project activities typically include organizational capacity development; outreach to mainstream communities; cultural orientation and life skills education; financial literacy training; English as a Second Language (ESL) training; youth-targeted programs; referrals to care providers, and direct refugee service provision.

No recent discussions with Minneapolis.

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Attached is a document that was sent to ACF for clearance and assigned to OHSEPR. OHSEPR concurred without comment. Because of the length of the document, I'm sending it electronically. If you prefer to see it in printed form, let me know.



Please let me know if you concur, as well as if you concur for Mark or if he will need to review.

Thanks!  
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