

**i'd like to support RCOA in its work
with and for refugees**



Mr/Mrs/Ms: _____ Name: _____

Organisation (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Postcode _____

Phone (BH): _____

Email: _____

I'd like to make a donation Amount: \$ _____

On one occasion only Each month for 12 months
(Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible)

**I'd like to become a member of the Refugee
Council of Australia**

Individual member – full rate \$55.00;
concession \$27.50

Organisational member (fees vary according to the
organisation's annual expenditure):

Expenditure of less than \$100,000 p.a. \$55.00

\$100,000 to \$500,000 p.a. \$110.00

\$500,000 to \$1 million p.a. \$165.00

\$1 million to \$5 million p.a. \$275.00

Expenditure of over \$5 million p.a. \$440.00

I enclose a cheque/money order for \$ _____
made payable to *Refugee Council of Australia*

Please charge my credit card:

Visa Mastercard Bankcard

Card no:

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Amount \$ _____ Valid Until: ____/____/____

Cardholders name _____

Signature _____

Please return this form to:

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**Refugee Council
of Australia**

A vital national voice for refugees



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Refugee Council of Australia

The Refugee Council of Australia (RCOA) has been working with and supporting refugees since 1981 – and its clear, constructive and compassionate voice is needed now as much as ever.

As the national umbrella body for refugees and the organisations and individuals who support them, RCOA speaks up for flexible, humane and practical policies towards refugees, asylum seekers and displaced persons, within Australia and internationally.

RCOA does this through:

- national and international research;
- policy analysis;
- political representation;
- training; and
- community education.

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A non-profit organisation with tax-deductible charity status, RCOA relies on public support to continue its work. It is funded through public donations, fees from its organisational and individual members, by foundations and through project work.

The priority activities for RCOA are set by its members, as represented by an elected Board. The organisation's policy and research work is informed by a constant process of consultation – convening regional forums and national teleconferences, attending interagency gatherings and meeting regularly with organisations and individuals across Australia.

RCOA represents Australians concerned with refugee issues at key national and international forums, including:

- national and state advisory committees;
- government dialogues on migration and human rights issues;
- key international meetings of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR); and
- regular meetings with politicians, government officials and representatives of UN and international agencies.

RCOA has Special Consultative Status with the UN Economic and Social Council, enabling it to take the concerns of refugees to a wide range of UN gatherings.

As part of its training and community education work, RCOA conducts professional training in working with refugees, assists organisations with training and research strategies, develops public information on refugee issues and engages with the media to present perspectives on policy debates.

How you can support The Refugee Council of Australia

Become a Donor

The Refugee Council of Australia needs continued public financial support to continue its work as a credible and



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independent voice for refugees. Tax-deductible donations can be made by completing the attached form or by contacting RCOA's national office on (02) 9211 9333.

Become a Member

RCOA has both organisational and individual members. The organisational members are involved in many areas of refugee support including:

- assisting refugees in countries of first asylum and when they return to their homelands;
- providing settlement support to refugees in Australia;
- providing protection and legal advice to refugees and asylum seekers;
- providing representation and leadership for a particular refugee community.

Individual members are Australians who want to be informed about the issues and support the work of the Council.

Members of the Refugee Council:

- play an important role informing RCOA about refugee issues;
- receive regular briefings, newsletters and updates about evolving refugee issues;
- are entitled to vote in RCOA board elections