

Refugees coming to Northern Nevada

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The U.S. State Department has greenlighted a Northern Nevada nonprofit to help resettle refugees escaping hotbeds of conflict around the globe beginning this fall.

Carina Black, executive director of the Reno-based Northern Nevada International Center, says their application to become an official resettlement agency was approved in February. They've since been laying the groundwork, and building a stakeholders' network, before those first few families arrive.

Black says initially about two families – approximately 10 people – could arrive by September. For the federal fiscal year running October 2016 through 2017, they've asked to resettle at most 75 refugees.

All refugees relocating to Reno will go through a vigorous, federal screening process, which can take between 18-24 months.

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