Support Services for Refugees in Austin, TX

American Gateways
American Gateway was formed 27 years ago in response to a refugee crisis in Central America. They provide legal services to the immigrant children and families fleeing their homes in Central America.

Website: http://www.americangateways.org
Phone: 512.478.0546

Austin Immigrant Rights Coalition (Austin IRC)
Promotes human rights, dignity, and social and economic justice for immigrants through community organizing, policy advocacy, and public education. Austin IRC has begun a campaign to support refugee families and children.

Website: http://austinirc.org
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Austin-Immigrant-Rights-Coalition/96675541690
Email: info@austinirc.org
Phone: 512.476.2472

Austin Tan Cerca de La Frontera
ATCF seeks to address conditions of social and economic injustice along the Texas/Mexico border, particularly as they affect women and communities of color, and to find community-driven alternatives through transnational solidarity and fair trade.

Website: http://www.atcf.org
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/112390192140279/
Phone: 512.474.2399

Caritas of Austin
Caritas assists documented refugees by providing and moving them into housing, acclimating them to their environment and helping them find employment.

Website: http://www.caritasofaustin.org
Phone: 512.479.4610, ext. 170

Catholic Charities of Central Texas
Catholic Charities' Immigration Legal Services division provides affordable legal consultations, representation, and assistance in Central Texas to low-income immigrants of all cultural and religious backgrounds.

Website: http://ccctx.org/ils/
**Circle of Health International**  
Works with women and their communities in times of crisis to ensure access to quality reproductive, maternal, and newborn care.  
Website: [http://www.cohintl.org](http://www.cohintl.org)  
Phone: 347.712.1721

**DSHS Border Issues**  
The Department of State Health Services has created an email address that may be used as a single point of contact for requests for volunteerism and other external inquiries related to current border issues.  
Email: DSHSBorderIssues@DSHS.state.tx.us

**Equal Justice Center**  
The Equal Justice Center has mobilized its attorneys, law students, and interns to help address the humanitarian needs of recent refugees in Texas for legal counsel and assistance.  
Email: bbardall@equaljusticecenter.org; Bill Beardall, Executive Director  
Phone: 512.474.0007, ext. 101

**Grassroots Leadership**  
Grassroots Leadership fights to end for-profit incarceration and reduce reliance on criminalization and detention through direct action, organizing, research, and public education.  
Website: [http://grassrootsleadership.org](http://grassrootsleadership.org)  
Email: blibal@grassrootsleadership.org; Bob Libal, Executive Director  
Phone: 512.971.0487

**Hutto Visitation Program**  
Visits T. Don Hutto Detention Facility in Taylor, Texas, and performs additional work in public education and advocacy. Sponsored by Grassroots Leadership, Texans United for Families, and the Social Justice Institute at The University of Texas.  
Email: rvillalobos@grassrootsleadership.org; Rocío Villalobos, Coordinator

**Immigrant Services Network of Austin**  
ISNA is a working group of diverse community stakeholders and immigrant service providers operating together to coordinate efforts, increase public awareness, and inform policy, in order to better serve the immigrant community.  
Website: [http://isnaustin.wordpress.com](http://isnaustin.wordpress.com)
Refugee and Immigration Center for Education and Legal Services (RAICES)
RAICES provides legal services to unaccompanied children. They also need volunteers with an interest in marketing and social media campaigns. RAICES is based in San Antonio, but has offices in Austin.

Website: [http://www.raicestexas.org](http://www.raicestexas.org)
Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/raicestexas](https://www.facebook.com/raicestexas)
Email: info@raicestexas.org
Phone: 210.226.7722
Volunteer contact: helpkids@raicestexas.org

Refugee Services of Texas
Learn about composing letters to lawmakers.

Website: [http://www.rstx.org](http://www.rstx.org)
Email: austin@rstx.org
Phone: 512.472.9472

Texans United for Families (TUFF)
This is a grassroots, volunteer-driven project of Grassroots Leadership whose mission is to fight back against immigration detention and deportation.

Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/TexansUnitedForFamilies](https://www.facebook.com/TexansUnitedForFamilies)

Texas Appleseed
Texas Appleseed's mission is to promote social and economic justice for all Texans by leveraging the skills and resources of volunteer lawyers and other professionals to identify practical solutions to difficult systemic problems. Projects include Immigration Court and Detention Reform and Protecting Child Refugees.

Website: [http://www.texasappleseed.net](http://www.texasappleseed.net)
Phone: 512.473.2800, ext. 111