

# REFUGEE WORKS

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### **E-NEWSLETTER**

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### **CURRENT RESEARCH (COMING SOON!)**

10 Ways to Tackle Job Development During a Recession (RefugeeWorks, February 2009)

--> <http://www.refugeeworks.org/>

Green Jobs for Refugees: The challenges and best practices of green sector employment will be the theme of the forthcoming Spring 2009 newsletter. The submission deadline for our Green Jobs theme issue is Feb. 10, 2009. Please send your story ideas and/or submissions to Daniel Sturm, at

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Opportunities for Refugee Engineers (RefugeeWorks Guide, February 2009)

--> <http://www.refugeeworks.org/>

## **ECONOMY AND IMMIGRATION**

A Foot in the Door: Using Alternative Staffing Organizations to Open Up Opportunities for Disadvantaged Workers (Public/Private Ventures, January 2009)

--> [http://www.ppv.org/ppv/publications/assets/266\\_publication.pdf](http://www.ppv.org/ppv/publications/assets/266_publication.pdf)

Immigrants and the Current Economic Crisis (Migration Policy Institute, January 2009)

--> [http://www.migrationpolicy.org/pubs/lmi\\_recessionJan09.pdf](http://www.migrationpolicy.org/pubs/lmi_recessionJan09.pdf)

The Refugees Who Saved Lewiston. A dying Maine mill town gets a fresh burst of energy (Newsweek, Jan. 17, 2009)

--> <http://www.newsweek.com/id/180035>

## **EDUCATION**

Highline Community College gives immigrants an assist with job credentials (Seattle Times, Dec. 29, 2008)

--> <http://tinyurl.com/7gaylp>

Program connects refugees with retirees (The [Pa.] Patriot-News, Jan. 20, 2009)

--> <http://tinyurl.com/74gbtl>

Transcript of a World of Opportunity: Should New York and Other Cities Look to Immigrant Entrepreneurs as a New Engine for Economic Growth? (Center for an Urban Future, Nov. 18, 2008)

--> <http://tinyurl.com/7twcvp>

## **EVENTS, CONFERENCES, WEBINARS**

"Immigration in a New Administration," Symposium at Pennsylvania State University (University Park, Pa., Jan. 30, 2009, 9 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. EST)

--> <http://www.dsl.psu.edu/forms/ImmigrantRegistration.cfm>

Webinar: Building Agency Support for an Immigration Legal Program (CLINIC, Feb. 2, 2009, 2-3:30 p.m. EST)

--> <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/914031572>

2009 Idaho Conference on Refugees, "Strengthening Community Across Cultures" (Boise, Idaho, Jan. 29-30, 2009)

--> <http://www.idahorefugees.org/>

### **FINANCIAL LITERACY**

2009 Tax Credit Outreach Campaign Kit Now Available (The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, December 2008). Order a free copy by email, at

--> [eickit@cbpp.org](mailto:eickit@cbpp.org) or call 202-408-1080

--> <http://www.cbpp.org/eic2009>

### **HEALTH CARE INDUSTRY**

Medical Interpreters' Registry (Center for Applied Linguistics, January 2009)  
Language Line Services, Inc., a provider of interpreting services, has launched the International Registry of Certified Medical Interpreters. The registry gives hospitals, health care organizations, interpreters and researchers access to a complimentary online resource for identifying professional medical interpreters and reviewing their language skills and credentials.

--> <http://www.language.com>

### **IRAQI REFUGEES**

County fielding influx of refugees from Iraq. Majority settle in east, which caters to growing Middle Eastern population (The San Diego Union Tribune, Jan. 4, 2009)

--> <http://tinyurl.com/a257ea>

How to Confront the Iraqi Refugee Crisis. A Blueprint for the New Administration (Human Rights First, December 2008)

--> <http://www.humanrightsfirst.org/pdf/081222-iraqi-refug-bluprnt.pdf>

Impoverished Iraqi refugees must rebuild lives 'from scratch' (The Salt Lake Tribune, Jan. 9, 2009)

--> [http://www.sltrib.com/ci\\_11350464](http://www.sltrib.com/ci_11350464)

Shortage of General Surgeons Endangers Rural Americans (Washington Post, Jan. 1, 2009)

--> <http://tinyurl.com/7skoej>

Unsettled. Once among their nation's elite, some Iraqi refugees have found economic hardship and loneliness in Md. (The Baltimore Sun, Dec. 30, 2008)

--> <http://tinyurl.com/a7zyzq>

Why Many Iraqi Refugees Who Want to Settle in Detroit Are Being Sent Elsewhere (U.S. News and World Report, Dec. 23, 2008)

--> <http://tinyurl.com/85n2jn>

### **HOUSING**

Burmese refugees flocking to Cache Valley (Deseret News, Dec. 24, 2008)

--> <http://deseretnews.com/article/1,5143,705272741,00.html>

Feds to funnel \$2 million to refugee relief efforts (The Salt Lake Tribune, Jan. 6, 2009)

--> [http://www.sltrib.com/utah/ci\\_11382898](http://www.sltrib.com/utah/ci_11382898)

**NETWORKING**

Tip sheet on Special Events Planning (Project Strengthening Organizations Assisting Refugees, 2007)

--> <http://www.ethniccommunities.org/library/SOARFactsheetSpecialEvents.pdf>

**PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS**

Previous e-newsletters are now available for download from our website. The archive can be found in the section "RefugeeWorks E-Newsletter," at:

--> <http://www.refugeeworks.org/about/publications.html>

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