## OPC Communications Bulletin

Presently our world is in the midst of a refugee and migration crisis. Anyone who has seen the photo of three-year old Aylan's body washed ashore has been affected. People everywhere are calling for a common effort to support refugees. The European Union has stated that Europe is facing the biggest refugee influx in decades. Europe cannot continue to do this on its own. Global support, whether it be from government or private citizens is a must!

Members of The Catholic Women's League have always been at the forefront in support of immigrants. Our very beginnings as an organization began because of a need to support new families coming to Canada. As citizens and members we are asked to take action.

The full statement of the UN regarding refugees is available at www.unhcr.ca

The Refugee Sponsorship Training Program (RSTP) will be hosting a webinar on Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>.

An Overview of the Private Sponsorship of Refugees Program Date: Friday, September 11

<u>Time:</u> 1:00pm - 2:30pm (Eastern Daylight Time, EDT)

<u>Description:</u> Join this webinar to learn about the Private Sponsorship of Refugees Program. We will provide you with an overview of the program, including who can sponsor refugees, who can be sponsored, and the sponsorship process. This is an opportunity for people considering refugee sponsorship to learn the basics, and ask an RSTP Trainer questions about the private sponsorship of refugees program. Please note that specific case questions cannot be answered during this webinar.

<u>Registration:</u> Please click on this link and fill out the information requested to register:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4716614981084523522.

After registering, you will receive an automatic email with a unique link. On Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> please use this unique link to log in.

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