

TANF For Refugees-Minnesota Experience

Long History of Refugee Resettlement,
1970's SE Asian

Somali and Africa 1990's-2011

TANF

- TANF and Refugee Cash Assistance
- WorkForce Investment Act
- Community Partners- Faith Based
- Mutual Assistance Agencies
- Local Employers
- Job Fairs
- Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR)

Collaboration

- Local School Districts-ESL
- Faith Organizations-Housing,Social Services
- Community Organizations-Support Services
- State-Targeted Assistance ,Special Programs
- State and Local Government-Jobs, Childcare, Transportation,Cash Assistance,Medical
- State Refugee Coordinator

Examples of Collaboration

- Destination Jobs
- Culturally Appropriate Childcare
- Summit Academy OIC-School Success
- Somali Confederation Mental Health Program
- Specific Hiring of Multi- Lingual Staff
- Employer Sponsored Job Fairs
- United Way and Foundation Support