

Statement

Syrian refugee crisis: Nunavut to send \$25,000 to the Canadian Red Cross

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Premier Peter Taptuna released the following statement:

"The Government of Nunavut is responding to the Syrian refugee crisis by contributing \$25,000 to the Canadian Red Cross.

In *Sivumut Abluqta*, we strive to keep families healthy and build resilient communities. In times of great need, our community extends beyond Nunavut's borders.

Nunavut responded to the calls for help following the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, the 2010 Haiti earthquake, the 2013 Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines, as well as the Nepal earthquake this past April 2015.

Inuit Societal Values guide us to serve and to provide for those in need. Today, we help Syrian refugees who have been forced from their homes and homeland. I encourage all Nunavummiut to help Syrian refugees, however they can.

On behalf of all Nunavummiut, I extend our thoughts and prayers to all those affected by this mounting human tragedy."

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