MATCHING GRANT

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The Matching Grant program, a pivotal initiative within the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), is specifically designed to address the unique challenges faced by refugees and other ORR-eligible populations as they begin their new lives in the United States. It serves as a crucial mechanism for these individuals to overcome various barriers and swiftly secure employment. The program's primary objective is to enable refugees to achieve economic self-sufficiency through gainful employment within an ambitious timeframe of 240 days, all without relying on cash assistance programs.

Moreover, the program extends its support beyond employment-related services. It also assists refugees in areassuch as:

- · Housing, Utilities, and Food
- Transportation
- Health and Medical
- English Language Training
- Social Adjustment and Other Services

Case Management: Every participant benefits from personalized case management, ensuring that their unique needs and circumstances are addressed effectively. Case managers provide guidance, support, and resources to help refugees navigate the complexities of their new environment.

Employment Skills Training: To bolster employability, the program offers vital employment skills training. This equips refugees with the necessary tools and knowledge to excel in the American job market.

Job Referrals: The Matching Grant program actively connects refugees with job opportunities that align with their skills and aspirations, facilitating a smoother transition into the workforce.

Family Budget Planning: Financial literacy and family budget planning are crucial aspects of achieving self-sufficiency. The program provides refugees with the skills and knowledge needed to manage their finances effectively.