

How UC qualify for URM

Unaccompanied Child (UC) must have no viable sponsor or reunification options. ORR determines if UC is ready for community-based care. To qualify for the URM program, children must have:

Refugee Status Department of State and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services	Asylum granted Immigration judge or USCIS	Trafficking victim Must have trafficking eligibility letter from ACF Office on Trafficking in Persons	Special Immigrant Juvenile (SIJ) status Abused, abandoned, or neglected by parent as determined by local court
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APPLICATION



Attorneys/case workers apply for URM program on behalf of UC
ORR verifies eligibility, child's needs, identity, and age

REFERRAL



If application is accepted, case is referred to URM partners for placement
States, national resettlement agencies, URM provider agencies

URM APPROVAL

After appropriate placement is found, child is approved by ORR to enter the URM program.



TRANSFER

UC and URM programs coordinate and transfer child from UC to URM care.



Child arrives to URM placement and state/local URM partners assume legal custody