

## **GLOBAL REFUGEE FORUM**

## KIND Joins UNHCR Multistakeholder Family Reunification Pledge

Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) is proud to join the Multistakeholder Family Reunification Pledge to support refugee family reunification and help one million refugees reunite with their families by 2030.

As part of this pledge KIND will:

- Provide legal services to unaccompanied and separated children and their caregivers in the United States, Ireland,
  France, Italy, Greece, Poland, Slovakia, and Mexico seeking reunification with family members and, where possible, also
  psychosocial services.
- Develop child-friendly materials and Know Your Rights guides for unaccompanied and separated children and their families to help them navigate the family reunification process.
- Provide training and support to pro bono lawyers, guardians, and social work staff working with unaccompanied and separated children on family reunification.
- Support initiatives to prioritize reunification of unaccompanied and separated children with their families to ensure that children's rights, including the right to family reunification, are recognized and considered in government policies.
- Advocate for legal representation for unaccompanied and separated children and policies that prevent family separation at all stages of immigration processing.
- Collaborate with others who have signed the pledge and legal service providers to facilitate a continuum of transnational support during the family reunification process, share best practices, engage in training, and provide trauma informed, culturally and linguistically sensitive resources on family reunification that include how to work with the pro bono community and other service providers.

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