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**Subject:** FW: Refugee Resettlement Program

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**From:** Sen. Shane Martin [mailto:shane@senatormartin.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 22, 2015 9:18 AM

**To:** Alford, Susan

**Cc:** 'Pat Hamby'; Veldran, Katherine; Mottel, Haley

**Subject:** RE: Refugee Resettlement Program

Dear Susan,

Thank you for this information. Please verify for me by Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 5pm the steps taken by SCDSS to comply with the following components of the law as you have presented it to me:

Provide that the State will, unless exempted from this requirement by the Director, assure that meetings are convened, not less often than quarterly, whereby representatives of local resettlement agencies, local community service agencies, and other agencies that serve refugees meet with representatives of State and local governments to plan and coordinate the appropriate placement of refugees in advance of the refugees' arrival.

Provide direction and training on medical screening forms and other materials as needed to medical screening providers regarding the Refugee Medical Screening Program

Conduct on-site visits to ensure compliance with the terms of the agreement

Sincerely,  
Shane

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**From:** Alford, Susan [mailto:Susan.Alford@dss.sc.gov]

**Sent:** Monday, April 20, 2015 5:29 PM

**To:** shane@senatormartin.com

**Subject:** Refugee Resettlement Program

Senator Martin,

Thank you for reaching out to DSS regarding the Refugee Resettlement Program, and for your patience with the time it's taken for us to reply to your request. My staff is working on pulling documents and information that is responsive to your e-mail, and I anticipate sending it to you tomorrow. We plan on sending 2015 state planning documents and quarterly reports on expenditures and obligations related to this program. We are also pulling information specific to the Spartanburg resettlement efforts. Because DSS has a much more limited role in the specifics of resettlement efforts, this has taken some time for my staff to gather the information you need from various other sources.

Again, I apologize for any delays, and we will forward the above information to you tomorrow.

Thanks,

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