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LET'S TALK!

LET'S TALK! Welcoming Newcomers to Our Community



In the news recently, we've seen the heartbreaking pictures – young children handed over fences to strangers in Afghanistan, and the horrifying ones - people from Haiti at the US border being chased by horses. These are the people desperate to reach the United States. The media calls these people refugees. **But who are refugees?** And what are the difference between refugees and other groups like parolees or SIV holders? Most importantly what can we here in Montgomery County do to help?

Join us virtually via Zoom on Tuesday, October 5 from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm as our panelists discuss on these issues. Please send your questions in advance to CEIOAdvisor@montgomerycollege.edu, so that our panel may be prepared.

PANELISTS: Ruben Chandrasekar | Executive Director Resettlement, Asylum and Integration International Rescue Committee; Myat Lin | Director, Maryland Office for Refugees and Asylees Maryland Department of Human Services; Rodrigue Vital | Caribbean Liaison, Office of Community Partnerships, Montgomery County Government; Ketely Desjardins | Adult ESOL Instructor, Montgomery College.

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