# Part 6: Migration and Displacement

## Key Terms and Definitions

**Asylum seeker**:person who has filed a claim for protection but has not yet been legally recognized as a refugee by either the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) or by a domestic government.

**Child migrant**:A child who leaves his or her home to travel to work or live in another region or country without adult accompaniment.

**Durable solutions**: Three approaches by the UNHCR to enable refugees to live safely around the world: voluntary repatriation, resettlement, or local integration.

**Humanitarian aid**:Assistance designed to save lives and alleviate human suffering after human-made crises or natural disasters.

**Humanitarianism**:Promoting human welfare; a moral imperative to care for human beings and to alleviate suffering.

**Immigrant**: Person who leaves their country with no intention of returning.

**Internally displaced persons (IDPs)**: people who have been forced to flee their home communities as a result of armed conflict, violations of human rights, or general situations of violence, but who have not crossed an internationally-recognized border.

**Migrant**: Person who leaves their home to work for a time in another region or county.

**Mixed-status family**:consisting of people with different citizenship and legal statuses.

**Refugees**:Migrants who are forced to move due to political oppression or war, and who often have legal permission to stay in their new location.

**Refugee Camp**: temporary camp built to house refugees.

**Social Suffering**: the violence, pain, poverty, and ill health that results from a social structure that systematically reduces the human rights of some populations.

**Statelessness**: a person not considered a national by any state under its law; stateless people are refugees but not all refugees are stateless.

**Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)**: foundation of international human rights law to protect the rights and dignity of people; adopted by the United Nations in 1948.

**United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)**:United Nations programme protecting refugees, stateless and forcibly displaced people that assists with their resettlement, voluntary repatriation or local integration.