

year Austcare made \$½ million available for assistance to refugees resettling within Australia.

This year, \$1 million is required to meet the increased demand.

In late 1978, Austcare assisted the Federal Government to provide repayable loans (up to \$600 per family) for Indo-Chinese refugees. To date, in excess of 1,500 such loans have been made - and remarkably, only 4 accounts are currently in arrears.

Funds are required to expand this programme to include assistance for professional and skilled refugees to gain Australian recognition of their qualifications.

Right now, \$100,000 is urgently needed for loans to the victims of the tragic Italian Earthquake resettling in Australia. These people need medical help, bond money, assistance to replace tools of trade, etc. Visas for some 2,000 newcomers have been approved, but so far, only about 500 have arrived.

Mr. John Menadue, Secretary of the Commonwealth Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, wrote on 15/1/81, "I welcome Austcare's initiative in making these funds available and commend your organisation's efforts to help the victims of the tragedy in Italy".

Austcare wants to see each new arrival become a happy and well-integrated citizen of Australia, but right now our funds to continue this work are seriously depleted.

Your help would be an investment in Australia's future - and of course, all donations \$2.00 and over are tax deductible.

Since this is an emergency appeal, no administration costs will be deducted. Would you please fill in the form enclosed and mail it with your donation? Cheque or bankcard are acceptable.

I thank you in anticipation.



Yours sincerely,

Kevin J. Moore
National Director.

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