

Do you want to apply for family reunification and are you considering to apply for financial support from the Emergency Fund of VluchtelingenWerk Oost Nederland?

In this flyer, we give a brief explanation of the process of applying for financial support from the Emergency Fund for family reunification.

You are generally expected to pay the costs of family reunification yourself, from your savings or loans from family and friends.

However, if you have not succeeded in securing the necessary amount four weeks after being awarded a provisional residence permit (MVV), you can apply for financial support from the Emergency Fund to cover some of the costs involved.

As we expect that you will be able to pay EUR 1,000 yourself, we have set the personal contribution sum (threshold) at EUR 1,000.

In summary:

- there is a *four-week waiting period* for applications for financial support from the Emergency Fund for family reunification, calculated from the date the provisional residence permit has been awarded
- *personal contribution is set at EUR 1,000**

** The Emergency Fund Committee may decide to lower the threshold in exceptional cases.*

Contribution towards cost of ticket

The Emergency Fund applies nationally determined standard costs in assessing applications for contribution towards ticket costs. The standard costs are based on the average price of tickets to the Netherlands from different regions of departure (see back of this flyer).

Submitting an application

Staff at the locations may only submit an application after all conditions have been met, *not* sooner.

Who assesses the applications?

An Emergency Fund Committee of VluchtelingenWerk Oost Nederland assesses all applications according to the guidelines of the Emergency Fund Regulations.

The committee, which consists of eight members from all parts of the foundation, advises and provides information to staff about the options provided by the Emergency Fund and can also refer to other facilities, including those provided by municipal authorities, COA or external funds.

Only when all other facilities have been exhausted, may a direct application to the Emergency Fund be submitted as a *last resort*, which will be assessed by the Emergency Fund Committee.

The committee is independent and its decisions are not influenced by staff at the locations.

All financial means of the Emergency Fund are derived from donations from private individuals, churches or sponsors.

Notes to contribution towards cost of ticket

Tickets bought before the application to the Emergency Fund are not reimbursed!

After family reunification, the applicant must send copies of the personalised plane tickets to the Emergency Fund Committee as soon as possible.

Level of contribution

The contribution is a standard rate which is based on the average cost of a ticket to the Netherlands from the various regions of departure, namely the Middle East, Asia, Africa and South America.

Countries in regions of departure

Africa comprises the countries of Burundi, DR Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, XXXX.

The Middle East comprises the countries of Egypt, Iraq, Iran, Yemen, Jordan, Turkey and Syria.

Asia comprises the countries of Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, China, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Thailand.

South America comprises Colombia.

Contribution based on standard rate in euros

Region	City	Adults and children of 12 yrs and up	Children of up to 11 yrs
Africa	Khartoum	€ 420	€ 330
	Addis Abeba	€ 385	€ 345
	Other	€ 420	€ 330
Middle East	Ankara	€ 150	€ 130
	Istanbul	€ 130	€ 110
	Beirut	€ 280	€ 255
	Other	€ 280	€ 255
Asia	Islamabad	€ 530	€ 455
	Delhi	€ 490	€ 410
	Kabul	€ 820	€ 660
	Shanghai	€ 565	€ 455
	Beijing	€ 545	€ 440
	Other	€ 820	€ 660
South America	Bogota and other	€ 930	€ 780