

We offer counselling  
Monday to Friday 9am-2pm

Danish and English  
T 33 73 50 00

In addition to Danish we also offer counselling in the following  
languages

Bosnian / Serbian / Croatian  
T 33 73 52 33

Arabic and Kurdish (sorani)  
T 33 73 52 28

Somali  
T 33 73 53 11

If you are interested in a personal counselling session about  
your rights according to the Danish act on repatriation, please  
fill out the information form available on our website:

[www.atvendehjem.dk](http://www.atvendehjem.dk)

Contact us by email:  
[atvendehjem@drc.ngo](mailto:atvendehjem@drc.ngo)



## ABOUT REPATRIATION 2021

Information for refugees, immigrants and persons with dual citizenship about voluntary return

## ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT RETURNING TO YOUR HOME COUNTRY?

DRC Danish Refugee Council offers counselling about voluntary return according to the Danish act on repatriation. Refugees, immigrants and persons with dual citizenship (Danish citizenship and a citizenship from outside EU) are eligible to receive economic support if they return voluntarily to their home country. The economic support depends on the type of residence permit you have and on when you came to Denmark.

If you want to enquire about the repatriation benefits according to the Danish act of repatriation, please fill out an information form on our website [www.atvendehjem.dk](http://www.atvendehjem.dk).

## REPATRIATION BENEFITS

In 2021 adults receive a cash amount of maximum DKK 144.900 to start a new life in your home country. Minors receive up to DKK 44.193.

The cash amount is paid in two instalments; first instalment before departure from Denmark (maximum DKK 57.959 per adults, maximum DKK 17.677 per minor) and second instalment (maximum DKK 86.941 per adult, maximum DKK 26.516 per minor) after one year in the home country.

## OTHER BENEFITS

- Travel expenses,
- Freight costs or cash amount to buy new furniture and personal effects,
- Business equipment and freight costs,
- Health insurance/cash amount for medical costs for 4 years,
- Prescribed medicine for a 1-year period,
- Needed personal medical devices/vaccinations
- Expenditure for schooling for 4 years for children between 5 and 16 of age,
- Expenses related to the acquisition of passport/travel document.

## PERSONS ABOVE THE AGE OF 55

Are you above 55 years of age you may be granted a monthly reintegration allowance from Denmark.

Under special circumstances you may be eligible for the monthly reintegration allowance if you are between the age of 50 and 54.

Normally the reintegration allowance is from DKK 2800 to DKK 3600 every month. In order to receive reintegration allowance you must have had a residence permit in Denmark for minimum 5 years.

In case there is a bilateral agreement of social security between Denmark and your home country you might be able to receive part of your pension.

## THE RIGHT TO RETURN TO DENMARK

**Refugees** are rightfully able to return to Denmark within a year after returning to their home country. This means that refugees may re-obtain their rights and residence permit in Denmark. Making use of the right to return to Denmark involves paying back the full amount of the received repatriation benefits.

**Immigrants** are not able to return or to re-obtain their rights in Denmark after returning to their home country. For immigrants, the decision of returning to the home country is final which entails giving up all rights related to the residence in Denmark.

**Dual citizenship** persons with dual citizenship will be conditionally released from the Danish citizenship before leaving Denmark. Dual citizens can regret the decision of being released from the Danish citizenship for up to two years. If a dual citizen decides to maintain the Danish citizenship the full amount of the received repatriation benefits will have to be paid back.

## IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE

Fill out the information form, which is available on our website if you are thinking about returning to your home country. In a personal counselling session, we will inform you about your rights and possibilities regarding voluntary return.

We provide an interpreter if needed. Our job is to guide you and give you the information you need to make the right decision.