

Asylum Seeker Resource Centre

DID YOU KNOW?

FACT

It is **NOT ILLEGAL** to seek asylum in Australia, even without documentation.



FACT

In 2012, Australia ranked 49th in their share of the world's refugees.



FACT

Managing Australia's onshore detention centres is projected to cost more than \$2.5 billion this year.



FACT

Offshore processing on Manus and Nauru Islands is projected to cost more than \$2 billion



FACT

Asylum seekers **DO NOT** receive any payments from Centrelink.



FACT

No boat arrivals have ever been found to be a threat to national security.



FACT

A refugee is someone who has fled their country in fear of persecution, war or violence.



FACT

There is **NO QUEUE**. Resettlement through the UN is only available for a very small group and for most asylum seekers there is no queue to join.



FACT

Asylum seekers arriving by boat after August 13th 2012 have no right to work and are forced to rely on support from charitable organisations.

FACT

Asylum seekers are 45 times less likely to be charged with a crime than the general public.