

STAR Briefing

Let Them Work campaign



The Let Them Work campaign is dedicated to highlighting the injustices experienced by thousands of asylum seekers and refused asylum seekers who are forced into poverty and isolation by being denied the right to work.

Campaign Aim

STAR is calling for the Government to let asylum seekers work.

- * Everyone should receive entitlement to work 6 months after making an asylum claim.
- * Those who have been refused but cannot return should also be entitled to work (e.g. those who currently qualify for 'Section 4' support or are complying with reporting restrictions).

STAR recognises the damage that denying individuals the right to work causes to both their physical and mental well-being and is committed to making this known to the public.

STAR aims to

- * Raise awareness that people seeking asylum are not allowed to work.
- * Demonstrate to MPs that young people want asylum seekers to be allowed to work.

STAR's strength is its ability to mobilise thousands of young people in support of an important change for refugees. Our partner organisations are looking to STAR to raise the public awareness of this campaign and generate support.

What you can do



Ask your local MP to sign the Early Day Motion 960, expressing their support for the entitlement to work.



Encourage other students to sign the campaign pledge online:
www.refugeecouncil.org.uk/letthemwork

For more info

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“Everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favourable conditions of work and to protection against unemployment”

- Article 23 (1), Universal Declaration of Human Rights

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