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Refugies Bienvenue- France

REFUGEES ANSWERS

Respondent 1

Age	38
Gender	M
Country of origin	Iraq North
Current city of residence	Paris
How is your family in France composed ?	Couple
How long have you lived in France ?	2016
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	University
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	I'm in the process
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	No



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If yes, which one ?	
What do you do ?	Employed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	Permeanent contract
How did you find the job you are doing ?	Refugees' program
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	1
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	3
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	4
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	Refugees Welcome activists
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	4
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Hosting family, Refugees Welcome activists, social network of the hosting family
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	Yes
If yes, who did you get support from ?	Hosting family and its network; Refugees Welcome activists
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	Social housing
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	5
Who is your social network composed of ?	French



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Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?

5

Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?

5

If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?

5

How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?

Mostly positive

Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?

For the 2020 new year, there were more than 40 people. We made a huge feast with iranian and iraqi food, it was a new experience for me and I felt really happy and good.

Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?

Not for me, I was never uncomfortable or had any bad experiences

Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?

Very satisfied and happy in general

Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?

4

...supportive and enriching ?

5

...relatively positive

3

...difficult to handle

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...a bit negative

1

...completely negative

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Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

Yes

When it comes to administrative obstacles, it's impossible to do things alone. The family helped me with all my documents especially for the language barrier. They also helped me find solutions, for example to get my diploma equivalency. For the language it was great: I only had 2-3 weeks of classes and they were once a week, done by volunteers. Otherwise, I learned

Why?



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everything with the family, and the father continues to give me French classes every week. It helps so much with isolation, it's thanks to the family that I know people. Before I was very shy, now I know how to go up to people and talk to them and I feel good.

Respondent 2

Age

Gender

Country of origin

Current city of residence

How is your family in France composed ?

How long have you lived in France ?

What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?

Are your qualifications recognized in France ?

Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?

If yes, which one ?

What do you do ?

What kind of work contract do you have ?

How did you find the job you are doing ?

The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?

Are you satisfied with your current job ?

28

F

Guinea Conakry

Alfortville

Single parent nucleus

2018

University

Yes

Yes

Security

Unemployed

I don't work



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Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	
Did you get support to look for a job ?	No
If yes, who gave you the support ?	
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	1
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	1
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	French classes; Refugees Welcome activists
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	No
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	Social housing
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	1
Who is your social network composed of ?	People from my own country, migrants in the same situation as me, French
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	1
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	1
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	1
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	I don't know
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	No



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Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?
 Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?
 Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?
 ...supportive and enriching ?
 ...relatively positive
 ...difficult to handle
 ...a bit negative
 ...completely negative
 Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

It was very difficult because in reality, my host was not able to accommodate .me. She had divided her living room in half with a curtain and her children woke up at 6 AM, which woke me up too. I had to leave the house to be able to rest and go stay with friends. In the end she kicked me out without warning and the organization couldn't find me a solution in such a short amount of time.

Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy

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No

It depends on the host family. If the people aren't ready to accommodate you, you can feel really bad and your life depends on whether or not it goes well. Maybe it's good for others, but all hosts are not equal and that can create the same discrimination we face anyway. ça dépend de la famille d'accueil.

Why?

Respondent 3

Age 28
 Gender F
 Country of origin Uganda



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Current city of residence	Limay
How is your family in France composed ?	Parents with children
How long have you lived in France ?	2018
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	High school
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	Yes
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	Yes
If yes, which one ?	Aide
What do you do ?	Unemployed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	I don't work
How did you find the job you are doing ?	
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	friends/acquaintances from my country of origin; Refugees Welcome activists
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	2
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Hosting family, Refugees Welcome activists, French classes
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	Yes
If yes, who did you get support from ?	Other: Social worker from another organization



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If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?

Social housing

Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?

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Who is your social network composed of ?

Migrants in the same situation as me, French

Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?

4

Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?

4

If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?

5

How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?

Mostly positive

There were so many good moments - they would invite me to dinner and it was always amazing. Christmas 2019 they offered me a gift, a beautiful necklace with earrings. Every weekend we'd go to the park, we'd see the families and children doing all these activities, it was beautiful.

Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?

Not at all, well sometimes they would prepare things I didn't like, but I would tell them, maybe that was hard for her but I found it funny

Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?

Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?

Very unsatisfied and unhappy in general

Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ...

Completely positive ?

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...supportive and enriching ?

5

...relatively positive

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...difficult to handle

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...a bit negative

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...completely negative

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Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers

Yes



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regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

Why?

It helps so much for understanding the language and for meeting people. In general it can be difficult for some, I'm very social and easygoing but for some people who are less social it might be hard. But I think it's also very good.

Respondent 4

Age	31
Gender	F
Country of origin	Bangladesh
Current city of residence	Cergy
How is your family in France composed ?	Single parent nucleus
How long have you lived in France ?	2018
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	University
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	No
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	Yes
If yes, which one ?	Cooking
What do you do ?	Employed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	Fixed-term contract
How did you find the job you are doing ?	Refugees' program
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	5
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	4
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	5
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	hosting family and its social network; Refugees Welcome activists



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Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	5
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Hosting family, French classes
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	Yes
If yes, who did you get support from ?	Hosting family, Refugees Welcome activists
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	Annual contract
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	3
Who is your social network composed of ?	Migrants in the same situation as me, French
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	5
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	5
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	5
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	Mostly positive
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	Last year, on my birthday, it was very special
Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?	No difficult experience, the family was so nice
Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?	Very satisfied and happy in general
Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?	5
...supportive and enriching ?	5
...relatively positive	5



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 ...completely negative
 Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

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Why?

Yes

Because it allows for a real exchange, for as much as I learned about French culture, I was also able to share the Indian culture, so they also learned a lot. For us it's an amazing opportunity because a family is an institution, you learn so much from being with them.

Respondent 5

Age
 Gender
 Country of origin
 Current city of residence
 How is your family in France composed ?
 How long have you lived in France ?
 What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?
 Are your qualifications recognized in France ?
 Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?
 If yes, which one ?
 What do you do ?
 What kind of work contract do you have ?
 How did you find the job you are doing ?

28
 F
 Guinea Conakry
 Maisons Laffitte
 Parents with children
 2017
 No title
 No
 No
 No
 Employed
 Permeanent contract
 French friends / acquaintances



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The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	4
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	4
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	5
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	Hosting family, other: friends made in france
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	5
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Hosting family, French classes
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	No
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	2
Who is your social network composed of ?	Migrants in the same situation as me,
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	5
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	5
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	5
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	Mostly positive
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	On Easter, I sewed with the kids. Every time they see my clothes, the fabrics, they're so impressed. The children are very well behaved, they're amazing. When I leave they yell, Mom! Mariama is going!



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Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?

Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?

Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ...

Completely positive ?

...supportive and enriching ?

...relatively positive

...difficult to handle

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...completely negative

Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

Why?

With my other host, everything had been going well until covid. Her kid was not at all sensitive to my stress, she didn't understand that we can't always be happy, and that bothered me. When the host had friends over, she never introduced me, she never invited me, I felt bad.

Very satisfied and happy in general

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Yes

I tell all immigrants that they have to meet a French family, a good one like the one I know. After you understand so much, and the family understands more what we suffer through when they have to share space with us. Living with a host family doesn't fix everything, but it helps a lot.

Respondent 6

Age

31

Gender

F

Country of origin

Democratic Republic of Congo

Current city of residence

Cergy

How is your family in France composed ?

Couple

How long have you lived in France ?

2017



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What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	High school
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	No
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	No
If yes, which one ?	
What do you do ?	Unoccupied
What kind of work contract do you have ?	I don't work
How did you find the job you are doing ?	
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	
Did you get support to look for a job ?	I didn't need it
If yes, who gave you the support ?	
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	1
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	4
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Hosting family, French classes, Refugees Welcome activists
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	I didn't need it
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	5
Who is your social network composed of ?	People from my own country, migrants in the same situation as me
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	3



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Do you get involved in events of hosting family ? 5
 If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ? 5
 How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ? Mostly positive
 Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ? On my birthday, my hosts gave me a cake and some skin cream. It was very sweet, really great.
 It was hard in the beginning because I found out that I'm allergic to their cat. But, as soon as I talked to my host about it, she totally understood, and she gave me some medicine to help. But those first nights I didn't sleep very well.

Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?
 Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ? Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy
 Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ? 4
 ...supportive and enriching ? 5
 ...relatively positive 5
 ...difficult to handle 1
 ...a bit negative 1
 ...completely negative 1

Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?
 Yes
 Meeting a family allows you to integrate better, learn the language, and network so that you eventually find work. Every time you meet French people you have a better chance to integrate.

Why?

Respondent 7

Age 36



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Gender	M
Country of origin	Ivory Coast
Current city of residence	Paris
How is your family in France composed ?	Single parent nucleus
How long have you lived in France ?	2017
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	Secondary school
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	No
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	Yes
If yes, which one ?	Mechanics
What do you do ?	Employed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	Permeanent contract
How did you find the job you are doing ?	Job agency
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	4
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	4
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	5
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	Hosting family; Refugees Welcome activists
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	5
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	3
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Hosting family
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	Yes
If yes, who did you get support from ?	Other: Social worker from another organization



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If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?

Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?

Who is your social network composed of ?

Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?

Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?

If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?

How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?

Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?

Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?

Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?

Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ...

Completely positive ?

...supportive and enriching ?

...relatively positive

...difficult to handle

...a bit negative

...completely negative

Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

Social housing

2

People from my own country, migrants in the same situation as me, French

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Mostly positive

My hose worked in cinema and would let me work with her. She worked on a series filmed all over France so I got to travel to lots of places and meet lots of people, that was really cool.

Not really, for me there wasn't much difficulty. We just had to hide my departure from the kids because they were very attached to me, that was hard for them.

Very satisfied and happy in general

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Yes



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Why?

A man who is hungry is not free. A man on the street is not free. Staying with a host family allows you to collect your thoughts, and collect your plans. When you stay with them it's easier to know where to turn, and know what to do, and as a result you integrate yourself better.

Respondent 8

Age	23
Gender	M
Country of origin	Turkey
Current city of residence	Villetaneuse
How is your family in France composed ?	Other - Flatshare
How long have you lived in France ?	2017
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	High school
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	Yes
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	No
If yes, which one ?	
What do you do ?	Other - student
What kind of work contract do you have ?	
How did you find the job you are doing ?	
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	



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Did you get support to look for a job ? I didn't need it

If yes, who gave you the support ?

Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ? 1

Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ? 5

My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to... Hosting family, network of hosting family

Did you get support to find an accommodation? I didn't need it

If yes, who did you get support from ?

If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?

Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ? 5

Who is your social network composed of ? People from my country; French people

Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family? 5

Do you get involved in events of hosting family ? 5

If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ? 5

How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ? Mostly positive

Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ? I was on the soccer team of my city in Turkey. For my birthday, they surprised me with the jersey from that team with "93" on the back (nb: the number of the department where he lived with the roommates in Paris). It was really touching because it showed that they thought of me, they really took the time to do something thoughtful.



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Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

Sometimes it was hard when I had depressive episodes. But living with them really helped in the end, it helped me get off medication.

Very satisfied and happy in general

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Yes

It gives you the choice to integrate. But I think it's better to put young people with other young people, it allows you to learn more than just academic French, to talk more freely about stuff, about girls... A good match in terms of age is important for integration. With an older person, it can feel more unequal, because they want to teach rather than share. But in general, living with French people is reassuring, it protects you. You learn the norms and systems right away. I think that I also brought them more openness about Turkey. And that I helped them with a fear of refugees that a lot of French people have, with all the media stories and everything.

Why?

Respondent 9



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Age	21
Gender	M
Country of origin	Afghanistan
Current city of residence	Boigneville
How is your family in France composed ?	Parents with children
How long have you lived in France ?	2019
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	Primary school
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	No
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	Yes
If yes, which one ?	Small farming
What do you do ?	Employed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	Fixed-term contract
How did you find the job you are doing ?	Friends and acquaintances from France
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	3
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	3
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	5
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	Réfugiés bienvenue activists; Other: other organization
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	5
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Host family; colleagues; Réfugiés Bienvenue activists; French classes
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	Yes
If yes, who did you get support from ?	Réfugiés Bienvenue activists; Other association
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	Long -term contract



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Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	5
Who is your social network composed of ?	People from my country
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	3
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	3
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	4
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	Mostly positive
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	In December for my birthday maybe... otherwise it's impossible to choose: the experience of learning French in itself, to be supported for so many things.
Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?	I'm a bit shy, that's my main difficulty, but otherwise nothing
Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?	Very satisfied and happy in general
Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?	5
...supportive and enriching ?	5
...relatively positive	4
...difficult to handle	1
...a bit negative	1
...completely negative	1
Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?	Yes
Why?	When someone arrives, they don't know anyone, it's way easier with a family, you understand so much better

Respondent 10

Age	30
Gender	M



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Country of origin	Sudan
Current city of residence	Montreuil
How is your family in France composed ?	Other - Flatshare
How long have you lived in France ?	2018
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	University
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	Yes
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	No
If yes, which one ?	
What do you do ?	Other - French courses
What kind of work contract do you have ?	
How did you find the job you are doing ?	
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	
Did you get support to look for a job ?	I didn't need it
If yes, who gave you the support ?	
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Host family
Did you get support to find an accommodation ?	I didn't need it
If yes, who did you get support from ?	



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If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	1
Who is your social network composed of ?	French people
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	5
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	5
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	4
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	Mostly positive
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	One of my hosts took me to Roland Garros 2019. It was a magnificent experience, I realize that it's special for anyone, and I'm really grateful
Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?	I had one host who was difficult. She never made the effort to communicate with me when I didn't speak French, she would just shout
Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?	Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy
Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ...	
Completely positive ?	3
...supportive and enriching ?	3
...relatively positive	5
...difficult to handle	3
...a bit negative	2
...completely negative	1
Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?	Yes



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Why?

It can help on certain specific things, but only if the person is open-minded - it really depends on the host family and if they're truly ready to open up their life to you. In that case, yeah, you meet a lot of people and it helps a lot. If not, you still feel really lonely, and that's a difficult thing.

Respondent 11

Age	33
Gender	F
Country of origin	Bangladesh
Current city of residence	Palaiseau
How is your family in France composed ?	Single person
How long have you lived in France ?	2018
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	University
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	No
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	No
If yes, which one ?	
What do you do ?	Unoccupied
What kind of work contract do you have ?	I do not work
How did you find the job you are doing ?	
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	



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Did you get support to look for a job ?	No
If yes, who gave you the support ?	
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	1
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	2
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	French classes
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	No
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	Short-term contract
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	3
Who is your social network composed of ?	Migrants in the same situation as me; French people
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	4
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	5
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	4
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	I don't know
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	Meet French people, not always have to change my residence, be able to rest. With my host we were more like roommates than host-hosted
Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?	I got the feeling that I got more out of the house than she did. She worked a lot, and was often gone, while I didn't have much to do. I think that weighed on her. During the whole time we lived



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Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?
 Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?
 ...supportive and enriching ?
 ...relatively positive
 ...difficult to handle
 ...a bit negative
 ...completely negative
 Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

together, she never brought home a date, for example. It was really emotional between us, to the point of being a bit toxic.

Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy

4
5
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Why?

Yes

I would say it's mandatory for integration. Also, the fact that it's free really allows you to save up, to establish yourself a bit. Even though that must have been hard for her too - it was expensive ! Plus for her everything had to be all organic and that costs so much more. One thing though is that I don't think I could ever be friends with a French person. They're really nice, they really want to help, but they can't not see me as a refugee. For example, they're happy to work with me, even invite me to dinner. But going out, even just getting a drink, that never happens. But in any case, it's great to live in a family, very positive, especially if you're an asylum seeker which I was when I lived with Caroline.

Respondent 12



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Age	33
Gender	F
Country of origin	Iran
Current city of residence	Quincy
How is your family in France composed ?	Parents with children
How long have you lived in France ?	2020
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	University
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	I'm in the process
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	Yes
If yes, which one ?	Studies
What do you do ?	Other - student
What kind of work contract do you have ?	
How did you find the job you are doing ?	Friends and acquaintances made in France
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	4
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	3
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	Friends/acquaintances made in France
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	2
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Host family; host family's network; RB activists; French classes
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	I didn't need it
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	



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Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	3
Who is your social network composed of ?	People from my country; migrants in the same situation as me; French people
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	5
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	5
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	5
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	Mostly positive
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	My first trip in France we went to the Alsace region with my host and her friends
Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?	Nothing too difficult except that the house is a bit far from Paris
Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?	Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy
Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?	5
...supportive and enriching ?	5
...relatively positive	5
...difficult to handle	1
...a bit negative	1
...completely negative	1
Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?	Yes
Why?	It increases your level in French, teaches you about the culture and how to live here for work, taxes, electricity, and everything to do with housing

Respondent 13

Age 24



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Gender	M
Country of origin	Afghanistan
Current city of residence	Fontenay-sous-Bois
How is your family in France composed ?	Parents with children
How long have you lived in France ?	2015
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	Secondary school
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	No
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	No
If yes, which one ?	
What do you do ?	Employed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	Interim
How did you find the job you are doing ?	Refugees' program
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	3
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	2
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	4
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	Other: organization
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	1
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	4
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	host family; colleagues, RB activists; French classes; other - social media, TV
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	I didn't need it
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	2



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Who is your social network composed of ?
 Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?
 Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?
 If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?
 How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?

Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?
 Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?
 Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?
 Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?
 ...supportive and enriching ?
 ...relatively positive
 ...difficult to handle
 ...a bit negative
 ...completely negative

Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?
 Why?

People from my country; migrants in the same situation as me; French people

4

Mostly positive

We talk, I help her with gardening and she teaches me a lot. I fix things around the house and make crafts in the atelier, we talk a lot.

No difficult experience

Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy

5

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Yes

In my culture we're used to getting advice from elders, we might ask our parents or whoever, so family helps you integrate better. My host is like my family, she's like my mom

Respondent 14

Age

50



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Gender	F
Country of origin	Somalia
Current city of residence	Paris
How is your family in France composed ?	Single person
How long have you lived in France ?	2017
What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	Koranic school
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	Non
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	Non
If yes, which one ?	
What do you do ?	Employed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	Fixed-term contract
How did you find the job you are doing ?	Refugees' program
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	5
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	5
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	5
Did you get support to look for a job ?	Yes
If yes, who gave you the support ?	Other: organization
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	4
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Host family; French courses
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	I didn't need it
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	1
Who is your social network composed of ?	French people



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Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	4
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	1
If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?	
How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?	Mostly positive
Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?	We often eat together, I like that a lot
Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?	Never - she never talks badly to me. Even her parents are so nice
Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?	Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy
Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?	5
...supportive and enriching ?	5
...relatively positive	4
...difficult to handle	1
...a bit negative	1
...completely negative	1
Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?	Yes
Why?	It opens doors

Respondent 15

Age	31
Gender	F
Country of origin	Mali
Current city of residence	Viry-Chatillon
How is your family in France composed ?	Couple
How long have you lived in France ?	2018



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What are your qualifications in your country of origin ?	No title
Are your qualifications recognized in France ?	No
Have you attended a course of study or vocational training program during your experience ?	Yes
If yes, which one ?	Aide
What do you do ?	Unemployed
What kind of work contract do you have ?	
How did you find the job you are doing ?	
The work you are doing has something to do with your qualifications ?	3
Are you satisfied with your current job ?	2
Do you feel appreciated by your employer and your colleagues ?	4
Did you get support to look for a job ?	I didn't need it
If yes, who gave you the support ?	
Do you think that the experience with the hosting family has helped you to improve your work situation ?	5
Do you think that this experience helped you to improve your knowledge of French language and culture ?	5
My knowledge of French language and culture has improved thanks to...	Hosting family; French courses
Did you get support to find an accommodation?	No
If yes, who did you get support from ?	
If you have managed to find an accommodation, what is your contractual situation ?	Long-term contract (flatshare)
Outside of your working environment, do you have relationships with other people ?	5
Who is your social network composed of ?	Migrants in the same situation as me; French people
Have you entered into a relationship with the social network of the hosting family?	1
Do you get involved in events of hosting family ?	1



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If you take part in these events; do you feel comfortable ?

1

How do you rate your experience with Refugees Welcome ?

Mostly positive

All families were very nice. I don't have a particular memory but I'm really grateful and everything has always gone well.

Could you tell an enjoyable experience you lived with the hosting family ?

Could you tell a difficult experience you had with the hosting family ?

No particularly difficult moment that I can remember

Do you feel happy and satisfied in your personal life ?

Sometimes very happy, sometimes unhappy

Do you think that the family hosting as a model for refugee integration is ... Completely positive ?

3

...supportive and enriching ?

4

...relatively positive

5

...difficult to handle

3

...a bit negative

2

...completely negative

1

Do you think due to the refugees' integration model based on family hosting of RW or on community engagement of Second Tree project, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated?

Yes

It really depends on the family. It can help a lot but mainly when you're an asylum seeker, the families tend not to completely understand what we're going through. We aren't free just like that, we have a lot of things to do and to think about.

Why?



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HOSTS ANSWERS

Repondant	1
Age	60
Gender	F
Country of origin	Switzerland
Current city of residence	Cévennes
How is your family composed ?	Couple with children
What is your level of education	University
What is your current job situation ?	Employed
Do you have any activism experiences ?	Yes, in Lesbos for 3 weeks
What motivates you to engage with RB	When I came back from Lesbos in 2016, I went to an information session hosted by Singa (<i>other community hosting org</i>) and I heard a presentation from the president of RB, who was also in university with my daughter at the time. That plus the fact that I had a huge house and that I was moved by the news in the media.
What are the challenges you encountered with RB	At the end with Fatima, I had the sensation that she wasn't moving, but at the same time I didn't want to tell her how to live her life.
Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	5



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How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

3

How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

3

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

serenity - 4
optimism - 5
acceptance - 4
scepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 2
suspicion - 2
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live with you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

serenity - 5
optimism - 3
acceptance - 5
scepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 2
suspicion - 2
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

Have your friends nad colleagues accepte dthe presence of hte refugee you hosted with;

serenity - 4
optimism - 5
acceptance - 5
scepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 2
suspicion - 2
hostility - 1
aggression - 1



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Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 3
optimism - 3
acceptance - 5
scepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 3
suspicion - 3
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 2
transportation - 1
employment search - 4
housing search - 5
administrative support - 4
day to day support - 3

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 5
family network - 4
free time - 3

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours a day - 2
one meal per day - 3
one meal per week - 4
events and free time - 4

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

No



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Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

We went to a protest all together, she had these big eyes and that was incredible, it was a very special experience.

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

There was nothing particularly hard, it was just difficult to know how to position myself when I felt like she wasn't really motivated enough

There were moments of difficulty due to:

communication problems - 2
cultural differences - 1
age differences - 1
unstable work situation - 4
personal situation - 2
other (specify) -

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Housing search - 5
Employment search - 3
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) -

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

completely positive - 4
enriching and supportive - 4
relatively positive - 5
difficult to handle - 2
a bit negative - 1
completely negative - 1



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Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

yes: if somebody leaves their country, wants to insert themselves in society, does what is necessary to integrate, we have to accept them, and we also have to give them the means necessary to learn the culture, the language, not to be exploited. Hosting is a way to give these manes and so to lift some of the barriers to integration.

Repondant

2

Age

30

Gender

M

Country of origin

France

Current city of residence

Paris

How is your family composed ?

Roommates

What is your level of education

University

What is your current job situation ?

Employed



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Do you have any activism experiences ?

What motivates you to engage with RB

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live wiht you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

No

The stories in the media and the statement from a refugee during an information session of Singa.

The person hosted had a social worker so there were no problems.

2

5

3

No children

serenity - 4
 optimism - 4
 acceptance - 4
 scepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 2
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1



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Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

serenity - 3
 optimism - 3
 acceptance - 3
 scepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 4
 suspicion - 2
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

No contact with neighbors

financial support - 1
 transportation - 1
 employment search - 5
 housing search - 1
 administrative support - 3
 day to day support - 3

social network - 5
 family network - 1
 free time - 4

a few hours a day - 2
 one meal per day - 1
 one meal per week - 5
 events and free time - 4

Yes of course, it showed me many things, I don't really know how to express it, it changes us in a way that can't really be described. More empathetic towards the people around me, more open mind.



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Over 4 years there are many, we created a friendship. Going to play soccer together, having people over... now there's no differentiation, everyone's on the same level, each person does their housework one week per month, everyone is on the same level in relation to one another.

At the very beginning it's kind of hard for everyone to find their place. Shyness can be taken badly, you might think the person is distant, not necessarily grateful or interested while we thought we were doing a huge gesture. It's a question of how you interpret emotions, on their side the person feels indebted, like he needs to justify his story and his journey. The idea of have refugees integrated in families can be idealized, since we have this image of warriors, or even entrepreneurs, we have too many expectations because the image is so idealized.

communication problems - 5
cultural differences - 4
age differences - 1
unstable work situation - 1
personal situation - 3
other (specify)

Housing search - 1
Employment search - 4
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) -

completely positive - 5
enriching and supportive - 5
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle- 1
a bit negative - 1
completely negative - 1



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Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

Yes of course, it opens your mind and betters your understanding of the other, you end up talking about it to others and they learn about the subject. it's a way to integrate and live in a new culture.

Repondant

Age

3

Gender

46

F

Country of origin

France

Current city of residence

Villeneuve le Comte (77)

How is your family composed ?

Couple with children

What is your level of education

University

What is your current job situation ?

Employed

Do you have any activism experiences ?

Environmental activist

What motivates you to engage with RB

The photo of Aylan (Turkish boy drowned on the shore), meeting with an Italian journalist living in Lampedusa and learning about the migration across the Mediterranean. It was a wake up call with so much information in the media and then meeting RB in a Singa information session.

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

Little contact, no support for the beneficiaries or the hosts, I felt a little powerless up against the problems my hostess was facing since I was isolated. There was no mediation, I needed some kind of training or advice to not be so awkward and to understand certain reactions in order



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to evolve as a host. I definitely had little slip ups, I wish I'd known more about how the refugees felt in order to grow as a host, we're the product of society as much as they are.

2

5

2

serenity - 5
 optimism - 5
 acceptance - 3
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

serenity - 5
 optimism - 4
 acceptance - 4
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 3
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1



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Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

serenity - 4
 optimism - 3
 acceptance - 3
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 3
 suspicion - 4
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

serenity - 3
 optimism - 2
 acceptance - 2
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 2
 suspicion - 4
 hostility - 2
 aggression - 2

financial support - 2
 transportation - 2
 employment search - 4
 housing search - 4
 administrative support - 5
 day to day problems - 5

social network - 2
 family network - 4
 free time - 4

a few hours per day - 4
 one meal per day - 1
 one meal per week - 5
 events and free time - 5

Yes in a positive way, I learned a lot from them.



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Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

Very positive experience with the couple and the young kids

There was a huge age difference since my husband was retired. We didn't really get to have a relationship since he was always with his friends, he was very weird with his friends and treated them like slaves, like he was above them and like everyone was at his service. He ended up being a bit hateful and condescending towards me, mostly spoke with my husband due to cultural differences.

- communication problems - 5
- cultural differences - 4
- age difference - 4
- unstable work situation - 4
- personal situation - 2
- other (specify) -

- Housing search - 4
- Employment search - 4
- Drivers Licence - 1
- Other (specify) -

- completely positive - 5
- enriching and supportive - 5
- relatively positive - 4
- difficult to handle - 2
- a bit negative - 1
- totally negative - 1



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Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

Yes it allows you to network and open yourself up to different cultures, on both sides.

Repondant

Age

4

Gender

74

Country of origin

M

Current city of residence

France

How is your family composed ?

Domont (95)

What is your level of education

Single person

What is your current job situation ?

University

Do you have any activism experiences ?

Retired

What motivates you to engage with RB

Started his own NGO (atelier du soleil) to promote solar ovens to combat deforestation in Senegal

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

Family: his daughter was involved in Réfugiés Bienvenue and asked him if he would like to participate
With Réfugiés Bienvenue's support, not a lot of issues. Initially planned for 6 months, renewed once or twice, no specific difficulties.

Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?

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How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that dones't live wiht you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Have your friends nad colleagues accepte dthe presence of hte refugee you hosted with;

5

3

serenity - 5
 optimism - 5
 acceptance - 5
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

serenity - 4
 optimism - 4
 acceptance - 4
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 3
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

serenity - 4
 optimism - 4
 acceptance - 4
 skeptical at first then gradual acceptance - 3
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1



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Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 3
optimism - 3
acceptance - 3
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 4
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1"

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 1
transportation - 1
employment search - 4
housing search - 1
administrative support - 2
day to day problems - 4

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 1
family network - 1
free time - 3

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 1
one meal per day - 1
one meal per week - 3
events and free time - 3

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

No



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Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

hosted for 50 years (peruvian immigrants in illegal situations, in their townhouse, they still live there, they started renting and got to be integrated in France after years as asylum seekers in difficult situations, they have a very strong bond, they even got invited to Peru)

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

Not with RB but: the teachers' collective of the D'Alembert High School in Aubervilliers introduced me to a young person after RB. I thought I would host him temporarily, that turned into 6 months, he wasn't very polite and didn't listen to me, he brought his dad over and then refused to leave when I asked him. I had to call a lawyer and the collective was not very available.

There were moments of difficulty due to:

- communication problems - 4
- cultural differences - 3
- age differences - 2
- unstable work situation - 3
- personal situation - 3
- other (specify) -

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

- Housing search - 1
- Employment search - 2
- Drivers Licence - 1
- Other (specify) -

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

- completely positive - 3
- enriching and supportive - 4
- relatively positive - 4
- difficult to handle - 3
- a bit negative - 1
- totally negative - 1



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Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

A solution that allows people to make contacts: the more we are the better it is, whoever can help should - does that resolve everything? no, but it's a question of scale

Repondant

Age	52
Gender	F
Country of origin	France
Current city of residence	Quincy Voisins (77)
How is your family composed ?	Single person with children
What is your level of education	University
What is your current job situation ?	Other : liberal professional
Do you have any activism experiences ?	No
What motivates you to engage with RB	Anger towards our incompetent government
What are the challenges you encountered with RB	None
Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	3



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If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that dones't live wiht you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Have your friends nad colleagues accepte dthe presence of hte refugee you hosted with;

5

4

- serenity - 5
- optimism - 5
- acceptance - 5
- skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
- suspicion - 1
- hostility - 1
- aggression - 1
- serenity - 5
- optimism - 5
- acceptance - 5
- skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
- suspicion - 1
- hostility - 1
- aggression - 1
- serenity - 2
- optimism - 2
- acceptance - 2
- skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 5
- suspicion - 2
- hostility - 1
- aggression - 1"



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Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

No contact with neighbors

financial support - 5
 transportation - 3
 employment search - 1
 housing search - 1
 administrative support - 2
 day to day problems - 2

social network - 5
 family network - 3
 free time - 3

a few hours per day - 2
 one meal per day - 5
 one meal per week - 5
 events and free time - 3

Yes

Sharing our respective holidays, discovering and sharing each others' cultures. Lots of joy and laughter



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Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

There were moments of difficulty due to:

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

No real difficult experience. Feeling the extreme anxiety while waiting for the Ofpra interview

communication problems - 1
cultural differences - 1
age differences - 1
unstable work situation - 1
personal situation - 4
other (specify) -

Housing search - 1
Employment search - 1
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) -

completely positive - 5
enriching and supportive - 5
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle - 1
a bit negative - 1
totally negative - 1

Without a doubt. Hosting brings so much to the person hosted: security, discovery of French culture and codes; but also to the host.

Repondant

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Age

51

Gender

F



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Country of origin	France
Current city of residence	Maurepas
How is your family composed ?	Couple with children
What is your level of education	University
What is your current job situation ?	Employed
Do you have any activism experiences ?	Yes
What motivates you to engage with RB	My sister's experience
What are the challenges you encountered with RB	Some difficulties with the social support before the association had full time staff
Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	4
How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?	5
How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?	4



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If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

serenity - 4
optimism - 5
acceptance - 4
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live with you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

serenity - 5
optimism - 5
acceptance - 4
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

serenity - 2
optimism - 2
acceptance - 2
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 5
suspicion - 2
hostility - 1
aggression - 1"

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 2
optimism - 2
acceptance - 2
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 5
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1



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How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 1
transportation - 1
employment search - 5
housing search - 5
administrative support - 5
day to day problems - 2

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 4
family network - 4
free time - 4

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 5
one meal per day - 2
one meal per week - 2
events and free time - 3

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Yes

No

Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

No

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

No difficult moment

There were moments of difficulty due to:



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Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Housing search - 5
Employment search - 5
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) -

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

completely positive - 4
enriching and supportive - 5
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle - 1
a bit negative - 1
totally negative - 1

Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

Yes

Repondant

7

Age

47

Gender

F

Country of origin

France

Current city of residence

Issy

How is your family composed ?

Couple with children

What is your level of education

University

What is your current job situation ?

Employed



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Do you have any activism experiences ?

What motivates you to engage with RB

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

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How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Yes, with another association to do short term housing, and with an association of mentorship.

Quatorze [one of our partner's for housing]'s Tiny House project

None for now, if anything it's to identify the different actors among all the organizations that support the refugee we're hosting

5

2

3

serenity - 5
 optimism - 5
 acceptance - 4
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1



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serenity - 5
optimism - 3
acceptance - 4
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

serenity - 5
optimism - 5
acceptance - 4
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 4
optimism - 4
acceptance - 4
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 1
transportation - 1
employment search - 1
housing search - 1
administrative support - 1
day to day problems - 5



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What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 1
family network - 1
free time - 5

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 1
one meal per day - 1
one meal per week - 5
events and free time - 3

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

No

Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

We haven't been hosting for that long (2 months). The meals we've had together, getting to hear about his journey

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

Nothing for now, sometimes we have a bit of trouble understanding each other (language barrier) and sometimes I feel a bit guilty for not inviting him or chatting with him often enough



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Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

communication problems - 5
 cultural differences - 1
 age differences - 1
 unstable work situation - 1
 personal situation - 1
 other (specify) -

Housing search - 5
 Employment search - 5
 Drivers Licence - 1
 Other (specify) -

completely positive - 5
 enriching and supportive - 5
 relatively positive - 1
 difficult to handle - 1
 a bit negative - 1
 totally negative - 1

Yes, totally. But we are hosting in an independent lodging. I can't speak for those who host in their own homes and share the bathroom, etc

Repondant

Age

Gender

Country of origin

Current city of residence

How is your family composed ?

What is your level of education

8

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F

France

Cergy

Couple with children

University



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What is your current job situation ?

Do you have any activism experiences ?

What motivates you to engage with RB

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

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How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live with you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Employed

Yes, help with administrative procedures and French language courses

Having extra space to host

None

2

4

3

No children

serenity - 1
 optimism - 1
 acceptance - 1
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 5
 suspicion - 5
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1



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Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

serenity - 1
optimism - 1
acceptance - 1
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 5
hostility - 5
aggression - 1

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 5
optimism - 3
acceptance - 3
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 5
transportation - 1
employment search - 5
housing search - 3
administrative support - 5
day to day problems - 5 (other ; health)

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 5
family network - 5
free time - 5 (other ; holidays)

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 5
one meal per day - 1
one meal per week - 1
events and free time - 4

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Yes



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Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

There were moments of difficulty due to:

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

No

No

communication problems - 1
 cultural differences - 5
 age differences - 1
 unstable work situation - 1
 personal situation - 1
 other (specify) -

Housing search - 4
 Employment search - 5
 Drivers Licence - 1
 Other (specify) -

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 enriching and supportive - 5
 relatively positive - 1
 difficult to handle - 1
 a bit negative - 1
 totally negative - 1

Yes



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Repondant	9
Age	58
Gender	M
Country of origin	France
Current city of residence	Saint maur des fossés (94)
How is your family composed ?	Couple with children
What is your level of education	University
What is your current job situation ?	Employed
Do you have any activism experiences ?	No
What motivates you to engage with RB	Before my involvement with RB, I had already hosted a Tibetan father then a family via the ELAN program managed Samusocial of Paris [public health service]. This first hosting experience was really beneficial (as much for the hosts as for the people hosted). I really learned how important the codes and cultural habits in daily life are for integration, and how living together can really help newcomers in that area. Afterwards, we hosted more with RB.
What are the challenges you encountered with RB	I haven't felt any particular difficulty after 4 hosting experiences with RB. When there was one problem with one of the hostees, RB were extremely available and responsive and found a solution very quickly.
Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	3



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How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

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How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

No children

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live with you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

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No children

serenity - 5
 optimism - 5
 acceptance - 1
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

serenity - 1
 optimism - 1
 acceptance - 5
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 5
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1



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Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 5
optimism - 2
acceptance - 5
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 5
transportation - 1
employment search - 1
housing search - 5
administrative support - 5
day to day problems - 1

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 5
family network - 5
free time - 5

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 5
one meal per day - 5
one meal per week - 1
events and free time - I think quality of time spent together is more important than quantity

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Yes, the opportunity to host people from lots of different parts of the world (Asia, central Europe, subsaharan Africa) opened my eyes to perspectives and values that I had never considered. The people that I hosted have for the most part been excited to share their culture, their perspective, and their personal story that are all very different from the Western European perspective. Especially when the exchanges grow over time and turn into friendship.



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Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

There were moments of difficulty due to:

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

I've noticed that most of the friendly, joyous, moments of sharing happen in the kitchen and while learning about others' food: that's a positive experience.

Lack of conversation.

- communication problems - 5
- cultural differences - 1
- age differences - 1
- unstable work situation - 4
- personal situation - 1
- other (specify) - It's hard to determine.
- Housing search - 5
- Employment search - 1
- Drivers Licence - 5
- Other (specify) -

- completely positive - 5
- enriching and supportive - 1
- relatively positive - 1
- difficult to handle - 1
- a bit negative - 1
- totally negative - 1



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Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

Non, les barrières discriminatoires (administratives, policières, institutionnelles,...) seront toujours là. En revanche, ce modèle d'intégration permet d'expliquer la présence et le fonctionnement de ces barrières et ainsi de déculpabiliser l'accueilli qui se sent trop souvent pointé du doigt.
No, the discrimination barriers (administrative, punitive, institutional...) will always be there. However, this model of integration does help you understand these barriers and their ways of working, as well as to help comfort the refugee who is all too often left to blame.

Repondant

10

Age

28

Gender

F

Country of origin

France

Current city of residence

Paris

How is your family composed ?

Single person

What is your level of education

University

What is your current job situation ?

Employed

Do you have any activism experiences ?

Other NGOs

What motivates you to engage with RB

[no answer given]

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

The lack of visibility on the administrative procedures the refugee was going through (while at the same time not really wanting to be responsible)



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Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	2
How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?	4
How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?	4
If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:	No children
Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live wiht you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:	serenity - 3 optimism - 5 acceptance - 3 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1 suspicion - 1 hostility - 1 aggression - 1
Have your friends nad colleagues accepte dthe presence of hte refugee you hosted with;	"serenity - 5 optimism - 5 acceptance - 3 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1 suspicion - 1 hostility - 1 aggression - 1"



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Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

No contact with neighbors

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 1
transportation - 1
employment search - 1
housing search - 1
administrative support - 1
day to day problems - 5

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 1
family network - 5
free time - 1

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 1
one meal per day - 1
one meal per week - 1
events and free time - 5

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

No

Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

It's kind of personal but I loved the fact that she got along well with my cat! Even though she was scared from all her experiences with wild cats. She still asks me about her.



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Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

I think we never really had any problems.

There were moments of difficulty due to:

No difficult moment

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Housing search - 1
Employment search - 1
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) -

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

completely positive - 1
enriching and supportive - 5
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle - 1
a bit negative - 1
totally negative - 1

Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

I am convinced of it !

Repondant

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Age

51

Gender

M

Country of origin

France

Current city of residence

Paris

How is your family composed ?

Couple with children



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What is your level of education	University
What is your current job situation ?	Employed and other (Boss)
Do you have any activism experiences ?	I've been on the administrative council of Réfugiés Bienvenue for a few years now, plus another NGO
What motivates you to engage with RB	I couldn't handle the inaction of the government, while seeing people on the street. And we had empty rooms in our house, that annoyed me.
What are the challenges you encountered with RB	None
Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	1
How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?	5
How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?	3
If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:	serenity - 5 optimism - 5 acceptance - 1 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1 suspicion - 1 hostility - 1 aggression - 1



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Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live with you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

serenity - 5
 optimism - 5
 acceptance - 3
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

serenity - 5
 optimism - 5
 acceptance - 1
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

serenity - 2
 optimism - 2
 acceptance - 5
 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 suspicion - 1
 hostility - 1
 aggression - 1

financial support - 5
 transportation - 5
 employment search - 5
 housing search - 1
 administrative support - 5
 day to day problems - 1



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What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

There were moments of difficulty due to:

social network - 5
 family network - 1
 free time - 5 (synagogue, holidays)

a few hours per day - 1
 one meal per day - 1
 one meal per week - 5
 events and free time - It started with a lot and became not a lot

Yes I'm less stupid, less racist, more in solidarity, more sensitive

The most salient experience is whenever they present their country to our kids.

A little problem of some object that was hanging around, we were on bad terms for a few days

communication problems - 1
 cultural differences - 1
 age differences - 5
 unstable work situation - 1
 personal situation - 1
 other (specify) -



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Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

Housing search - 1
Employment search - 5
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) - Cultural codes

completely positive - 5
enriching and supportive - 1
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle - 1
a bit negative - 1
totally negative - 1

It definitely helps reduce the barriers, because it resonates throughout your circle of acquaintances and the idea can touch up to 50 people around you. Plus the media. As a bonus, the people hosted learn all the codes and that helps them integrate and be accepted by the rest of the population

Repondant

Age

Gender

Country of origin

Current city of residence

How is your family composed ?

What is your level of education

What is your current job situation ?

Do you have any activism experiences ?

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M

France

Montreuil

Roommates

University

Other: freelance entertainment worker

Yes, at the food banks in my neighborhood



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What motivates you to engage with RB	The methodology of RB
What are the challenges you encountered with RB	None
Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	2
How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?	4
How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?	4
If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:	No children
Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live wiht you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:	serenity - 1 optimism - 5 acceptance - 1 skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1 suspicion - 1 hostility - 1 aggression - 1



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Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

serenity - 1
optimism - 5
acceptance - 1
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1"

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 5
optimism - 1
acceptance - 1
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 1
transportation - 1
employment search - 5
housing search - 5
administrative support - 1
day to day problems - 5

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 5
family network - 5
free time - 5

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 3
one meal per day - 3
one meal per week - 3
events and free time - Depends on whether or not we were working:
1 meal/3 days up to multiple hours per day

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Yes and no



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Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

There were moments of difficulty due to:

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

There were many

Differences in points of view

communication problems - 1
cultural differences - 1
age differences - 5
unstable work situation - 1
personal situation - 1
other (specify) -

Housing search - 5
Employment search - 1
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) -

completely positive - 5
enriching and supportive - 5
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle - 1
a bit negative - 1
totally negative - 1



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Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

Yes, people should be more aware of this possibility. I think people don't really think that it's possible. Without doing it illegally.

Repondant

13

Age

39

Gender

F

Country of origin

France and Spain

Current city of residence

Montreuil

How is your family composed ?

Single person

What is your level of education

Highschool

What is your current job situation ?

Other: actress, so freelance entertainment worker, and author

Do you have any activism experiences ?

Yes, from time to time I help out a freelance activist collective to cook or do outreach for isolated homeless people

What motivates you to engage with RB

My Spanish grandmother fled the Franco regime in 1939. She was taken in by a French family, and she's the only one of my relatives to have avoided refugee camps for 3 years (as opposed to her mother and three brothers and sisters). I wanted to "repay the universe for this familial debt"

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

The lack of communication. During certain periods, for several months, we were left alone. When she was depressed, scared, lonely, or failing in her administrative procedures, we never had any help. The few times when volunteers came to visit us, it was a huge



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Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live with you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

relief because it's too much to have to be the only person for someone in such high distress.

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No children

- serenity - 1
- optimism - 5
- acceptance - 1
- skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
- suspicion - 1
- hostility - 1
- aggression - 1



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Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

serenity - 1
optimism - 5
acceptance - 1
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1"

Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 1
optimism - 5
acceptance - 1
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 5
transportation - 1
employment search - 5
housing search - 5
administrative support - 5
day to day problems - 5
autre : She really needed a psychologist. I spend lots of time listening to her and giving her advice because she asked for it. I was constantly asking to find her a psychologist and relieve me of that very heavy daily weight.

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 5
family network - 5
free time - 2



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How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 2
one meal per day - 2
one meal per week - 5
events and free time - Some meals per week, some teatimes. During the 2 and a half years that we lived together, we were in confinement for one year so I guess "a few hours per day"-3

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Yes, I would love to keep being involved and giving my time, but in another way, with respect to my boundaries, because I have trouble setting them and I allow myself to get overwhelmed by certain issues or requests. And as for my family debt, I feel like I've done my part! They can go find my brother or my cousins!

Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

We both love to cook and we've shared many meals together, especially during holidays. Nasrin is very funny, so we've laughed a lot in the end!

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

Her father's death. She got the news at my house, I heard her scream, and I rushed over. It was violent, brutal, sudden, a real electric shock, with the horrible question of whether or not to go to the burial, and disrupt her life in France and her asylum request. Otherwise, in general, all the moments when Nasrin had no activity and was constantly at home (and me too because of covid). We also lived a good part of our time together in confinement and during strikes (including 6 months of delay due to the first confinement. It's no one's fault but it was challenging

There were moments of difficulty due to:

communication problems - 2
cultural differences - 3
age differences - 2
unstable work situation - 4
personal situation - 4
other (specify) -
autre (spécifier) - Different energies. Having no real future plans, and constant fear, Nasrin tended to do nothing at all and sit around



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Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

in her pyjamas (which is typical in Bangladesh where you only get dressed to go out). While I'm very active. In fact, Nasrin often told me that she fed off my energy, but as fate would have it, I felt drained and weighed down

Housing search - 3
Employment search - 1
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) -

I had, thanks to my network, found all the furniture that Nasrin needed, found a truck, and helped her to move out

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

completely positive - 1
enriching and supportive - 5
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle - 1
a bit negative - 1
totally negative - 1

Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

I have trouble understanding the question. Honestly, I'm not very optimistic about reducing or eliminating discrimination. I think the people that host asylum seekers already have a sense of what's going on and aren't discriminatory. And sadly, I don't think that we can totally protect them from the systemic racism in our country. Then again, i guess that solidarity and mutual aid must give them some hope. The people I know around me that learned about asylum seekers and their journey weren't necessarily that informed, but they weren't racist - they're my friends after all, I choose well! I don't know how to educate racist people so that they are no longer scared and that they realize that asylum seekers are the victims. We would have to have them meet asylum seekers and realize that they're human beings - as crazy as it seems to have to prove something like that. I don't know... it's really irritating to me, and the few times I've heard "we can't take on all the woes of the world," I got murder fantasies. If you have any ideas I'd love to hear them!



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Repondant	14
Age	44
Gender	F
Country of origin	France
Current city of residence	Clamart
How is your family composed ?	Couple with children
What is your level of education	University
What is your current job situation ?	Employed
Do you have any activism experiences ?	Abroad
What motivates you to engage with RB	The extra space we have in the house; the desire to support people integrating in French society; the knowledge of how difficult is it to find housing in Ile de France Lack of understanding for the refugees, understanding for the hosts with regards to the advancement of the refugees' journey. I think that RB is at a turning point in terms of its structure and should work on it's model of host - refugee - volunteer - and team to guarantee 1) efficiency and relevance in terms of sourcing, 2) understanding the monitoring of the refugee (often get feedback of not knowing who is their main interlocuter, the social worker, the coordinator, or the host) and 3) increasing the hosting volume given the means allocated
What are the challenges you encountered with RB	
Before starting the host family experience, how much did you know regarding refugees situation ?	5



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How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live with you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Have your friends and colleagues accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with;

5

4

- serenity - 5
 - optimism - 1
 - acceptance - 1
 - skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 - suspicion - 1
 - hostility - 1
 - aggression - 1
-
- serenity - 5
 - optimism - 1
 - acceptance - 1
 - skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 - suspicion - 1
 - hostility - 1
 - aggression - 1
-
- serenity - 5
 - optimism - 1
 - acceptance - 1
 - skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
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Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 5
optimism - 1
acceptance - 5
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 1
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 1
transportation - 1
employment search - 5
housing search - 5
administrative support - 5
daily issues - 5 et other : Understanding cultural and social codes, knowledge of where to go to get help and for culture and leisure

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 5
family network - 5
free time - 5

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 1
one meal per day - 1
one meal per week - 5
Other :Lots of daily informal moments of conversation about nothing and everything!

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Yes, the experience allows us to create relationships with people that we probably would never have met otherwise; it also allows us to know our limits to keep up our commitment on the long term (we're at our 6th hosting experience!) : the empathy for lived experiences (sometimes absurd, sometimes very difficult) by refugees can sometimes bring up a lot - too many - subjects. the experience also introduces us to new personalities, perspectives, and different reactions from us. We also think that it's a great experience for our 2 and a half year old daughter



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Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

We have so many ! For example, learning that a refugee hosted for 6 months and with a lot of difficulties to integrate and learn the language and find a job is now way more comfortable in French and found work makes us extremely happy and helps us realize that all our efforts during 6 months were worth it!

Could you describe a difficult situation during the hosting experience ?

Our first hosting experience was complicated because the person was in a lot of personal difficulty. We had a tense Christmas with a real argument and a painful gift return.

There were moments of difficulty due to:

communication problems - 5
cultural differences - 5
age differences - 2
unstable work situation - 5
personal situation - 5
other (specify) -

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Housing search - 5
Employment search - 5
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) - Search for a program of study, understanding procedures like the appeal for housing...

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

"completely positive - 1
enriching and supportive - 5
relatively positive - 1
difficult to handle - 1
a bit negative - 1
totally negative - 1



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Do you think due to the refugees integration model based on family hosting, prejudicial barriers regarding the refugees could be reduced or eradicated ? Why ?

Yes, completely

Repondant

Age

Gender

Country of origin

Current city of residence

How is your family composed ?

What is your level of education

What is your current job situation ?

Do you have any activism experiences ?

What motivates you to engage with RB

What are the challenges you encountered with RB

Before starting the host family experience, how much did you

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France

Pre Saint Germain

Single person with children

University

Other: Professional

No

My son is the founder of the organization but also the number of people on the street, I wanted to act without knowing how to

The lack of interaction and support, no information on the program planned for the person I was hosting. Offering a home is one thing, but being a social worker is another. It's a daily learning process. How to integrate, get her to speak French, to feel comfortable without being intrusive, it's not always easy to find the right move

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know regarding refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improved your knowledge regarding the refugees situation ?

How much do you think this experience has improve the knowledge of your social network regarding the situation of refugees ?

If you have children, have they accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Has your extended family (the part of the family that doesn't live wiht you) accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted with:

Have your friends nad colleagues accepte dthe presence of hte refugee you hosted with;

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- serenity - 1
 - optimism - 5
 - acceptance - 1
 - skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
 - suspicion - 1
 - hostility - 1
 - aggression - 1
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- serenity - 1
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Have your neighbors accepted the presence of the refugee you hosted:

serenity - 1
optimism - 1
acceptance - 5
skepticism at first then gradual acceptance - 1
suspicion - 1
hostility - 5
aggression - 1

How much did you support the refugee you hosted in the following areas:

financial support - 5
transportation - 1
employment search - 5
housing search - 1
administrative support - 5
daily struggles - 5 - other: support during the asylum procedure

What have you shared with the refugee you hosted ?

social network - 5
family network - 5
free time - 5 and other : family gatherings and her birthday and other outings

How much of your time have you shared with the refugee

a few hours per day - 1
one meal per day - 1
one meal per week - 5
other : one hour minimum, with some better or worse times

Were there any changes in your person after this experience ?

Yes, learning to put things in perspective, be positive, and stand strong in the face of adversity

Could you briefly describe a pleasant situation during the hosting experience ?

Her awakening in terms of women's freedom, her joy today and the sentence that she repeats with a huge smile: I am happy, I am free



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There were moments of difficulty due to:

Did you play any role concerning the autonomy of the refugees?

Do you think that the refugees integration model based on family hosting should be considered as ?

Après deux ans à attendre son statut, un stage de cuisine, Palky se lançait et avait trouvé un travail. Puis tout s'est arrêté avec le Covid et elle a sombré. Je me sentais démunie et incapable de vraiment lui apporter de l'espoir. Sinon lui donner l'envie d'apprendre le français, mais son espoir d'indépendance, de liberté se voyait en effet arrêté. Je sentais que nous étions arrivés au bout de la route. C'est une chance que l'association le moulin du Rû l'ai intégrée. Ils lui ont apporté ce que nous ne pouvions faire . Soigner les plaies, la violence reçue , pour regagner confiance et identité. mais aussi former et donner un métier. Le booster nécessaire.

After waiting for two years for her refugee status, and a cooking internship, she went for it and found work. Then everything stopped with Covid and she went dark. i felt powerless and incapable of bringing her any real hope

communication problems - 5
cultural differences - 5
age differences - 1
unstable work situation - 5
personal situation - 1
other (specify) -

Housing search - 1
Employment search - 5
Drivers Licence - 1
Other (specify) - The drivers license is offered by her new organization, a bet between myself and the refugee. The driving itself isn't the hardest part, but the code for language reasons

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Sort of, but I'm absolutely convinced that the hosting should be accompanied by training and outside meetings and especially psychological support. We don't necessarily notice cultural differences the first time we host. Finding a home is also finding a bit of intimacy. As a host, I wanted to integrated the refugee into our family's daily life, but she really needed alone time to find herself. To live according to her schedule. In reality it's learning to live together and understand each others' expectations that's the difficult part. You have the impression of doing too much or not enough.



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