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While refugees in Germany often live close to their country of origin, they often live in care facilities before being assigned to permanent living arrangements. In Germany, the majority of refugees who arrive are from Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan. While many refugees are able to speak English fluently, the lack of knowledge of German is a barrier to integration. In Germany, many refugees are housed in care facilities, which can make it difficult for them to integrate into society. While Germany’s federal government has been working on integrating refugees, many still struggle to find stable housing, employment, and access to healthcare.

BACKGROUND & ISSUE

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3. SPENDS AVERAGE 9 MONTHS IN CAMP

4. (AFTER APPLICATION APPROVED) REMOVED FROM CAMP AND SENT TO PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

5. GET A JOB?

WHERE SHOULD YOU APPLY?

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