

Refugee Mobility and Wellbeing

Understanding connections between mobility, transportation, and quality of life in refugee communities in Tucson, Arizona

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Introduction

This research aims to study how mobility and transportation impact refugees' life-satisfaction, well-being; transportations role in the ability of refugees to access various opportunities; and how situations like the current pandemic shape refugees' sense of well-being specifically. We also aim to understand the individual and collective strategies refugees use to address or overcome these challenges.

Tucson Transportation Methods

School bus, public transportation (bus, metro), personal vehicle, taxi, rideshare/carpool, bicycle, on foot...

Process



Identified Mobility Challenges



Questions We Aim to Address

1. To what extent does the transportation system in Tucson meet the mobility needs of refugees? How does it change during a pandemic?
2. How does mobility impact refugees' sense of mental, physical, social, and economic well-being?
3. What strategies do refugees employ to overcome barriers to mobility in the short and long term?



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