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### One tenth have donated to refugee relief, one quarter plan to

#### Few have volunteered, one fifth plan to

TORONTO December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 - In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1369 adult Canadians, one tenth have already donated money or goods to refugee relief (9%), and a further one quarter plan to do so in the future (23%). About one tenth support the refugees but don't plan to give (13%), and more than half do not support refugee settlement (55%).

In total, about one twentieth have volunteered their time to refugee relief (5%), and a further one fifth plans to (20%). A quarter supports the refugees but won't volunteer (24%) and more than a half do not explicitly support the refugee resettlement plan (52%).

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# TORONTO December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 HIGHLIGHTS:

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#### Methodology

The Forum Poll<sup>™</sup> was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 1369 randomly selected Canadians 18 years of age or older. The poll was conducted between December  $6^{\text{th}}$  and  $8^{\text{th}}$ , 2015.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 3%, 19 times out of 20. Subsample results will be less accurate. Margins of error for subsample (such as age, gender) results are available at www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp

Where appropriate, the data has been statistically weighted by age, region, and other variables to ensure that the sample reflects the actual population according to the latest Census data.

This research is not necessarily predictive of future outcomes, but rather, captures opinion at one point in time. Forum Research conducted this poll as a public service and to demonstrate our survey research capabilities. Forum houses its poll results in the Data Library of the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto.

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#### Donating to Refugee Relief

'Have you donated or do you plan to donate any money or goods to refugee relief?'

[All Respondents]

#### Age / Gender

%	Total	18- 34	35- 44	45- 54	55- 64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1308	296	179	230	302	301	701	607
Have donated money or goods	9	7	9	8	8	13	7	11
Plan to donate money or goods	23	29	23	22	21	19	20	26
Won't donate money or goods	13	16	10	12	13	15	16	10
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	55	48	58	58	58	53	56	53

#### Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	ВС	English	French
Sample	1308	89	290	489	100	148	192	1030	278
Have donated money or goods	9	10	6	10	6	7	13	10	6
Plan to donate money or goods	23	20	21	26	17	18	30	24	21
Won't donate money or goods	13	10	20	10	9	11	15	11	21
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	55	60	52	54	69	65	42	55	53

#### **Education**

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1308	278	352	475	203
Have donated money or goods	9	4	9	10	15
Plan to donate money or goods	23	15	24	26	29
Won't donate money or goods	13	11	14	14	15
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	55	71	54	51	42

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#### Federal Vote Preference

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1308	414	533	174	87	46	24
Have donated money or goods	9	3	14	11	8	1	7
Plan to donate money or goods	23	8	35	25	27	17	19
Won't donate money or goods	13	7	17	19	9	11	13
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	55	82	34	45	56	70	61

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#### Volunteering Time to Refugee Relief

'Have you volunteered or do you plan to volunteer any time to refugee relief?'

[All Respondents]

### Age / Gender

%	Total	18- 34	35- 44	45- 54	55- 64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1369	311	186	242	309	321	733	636
Have volunteered time	5	4	3	5	6	6	4	5
Plan to volunteer time	20	25	19	21	14	16	16	23
Won't volunteer time	24	26	22	19	23	28	26	21
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	52	45	56	55	57	50	54	50

#### Region

%	Total	Atl	Que	ON	Man/Sask	AB	ВС	English	French
Sample	1369	116	319	494	100	148	192	1064	305
Have volunteered time	5	7	4	5	2	3	5	5	4
Plan to volunteer time	20	28	20	20	11	15	22	20	18
Won't volunteer time	24	23	28	22	18	17	31	22	29
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	52	43	48	53	69	65	42	53	48

#### **Education**

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
Sample	1369	288	366	500	215
Have volunteered time	5	2	5	5	8
Plan to volunteer time	20	14	22	20	23
Won't volunteer time	24	16	22	27	30
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	52	67	51	49	40

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#### Federal Vote Preference

%	Total	Cons	Lib	NDP	Green	Bloc	Other Parties
Sample	1369	418	561	188	93	54	24
Have volunteered time	5	1	7	4	9	3	4
Plan to volunteer time	20	7	27	24	27	21	18
Won't volunteer time	24	11	34	31	15	14	17
Does not support Syrian refugee plan	52	81	32	41	50	62	61

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