



**San Diego World Affairs Council  
SDWAC warmly welcomes the International Rescue Committee  
(IRC) Executive Director, Donna Duvin**

**“Arc of the Refugee Crisis: Global Challenges, Local Solutions”**

**Tuesday, 25 August 2020: 6-7:15 pm**



*The IRC San Diego provides support to over 8,000 refugees, asylees, asylum seekers, and immigrants each year. Given its proximity to the US-Mexico border, the IRC San Diego has been deeply involved in the asylum-seeker crisis over the past two years. Duvin will present on the growing global refugee crisis, including the challenges of responding to the COVID Pandemic. Duvin’s presentation will include guidance on how others can get involved in supporting the International Rescue Committee's humanitarian efforts and how to participate in their outstanding annual film festival.*

***Donna Duvin bio:*** In 2015, she joined the International Rescue Committee, a global organization with a presence in 40 countries. She currently serves as the Executive Director. Prior to joining the IRC, Duvin served as CEO and Regional Executive Director for Red Cross territories in California and Michigan. Her work in international development and relief work began with a Peace Corps assignment in Tonga. She is

known for her success in capacity building and collaborative approaches in addressing complex humanitarian challenges. Duvin has a Master's in Nonprofit Management from Regis University and brings over twenty-five years of experience in humanitarian work and non-profit leadership.

**Zoom Meeting presentation open to the public.**

**Free registration on the San Diego World Affairs website [www.sdwac.org](http://www.sdwac.org)**

**When: Aug 25, 2020 05:30 pm (PDT) - the presentation begins at 6 pm**

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Zoom meeting.

The International Rescue Committee provides opportunities for refugees, asylees, victims of human trafficking, survivors of torture, and other immigrants to thrive in America. Each year, thousands of people, forced to flee violence and persecution, are welcomed by the people of the United States into the safety and freedom of America. These individuals have survived against incredible odds.

The IRC works with government bodies, civil society actors, and local volunteers to help them translate their past experiences into assets that are valuable to their new communities. In San Diego and other offices across the country, the IRC helps them to rebuild their lives.

The International Rescue Committee responds to the world's worst humanitarian crises, helping to restore health, safety, education, economic well-being, and power to people devastated by conflict and disaster. [Rescue.org/united-states/san-diego-ca](https://www.rescue.org/united-states/san-diego-ca)