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Contact points

Important offices

Heidenheim District Council (Landratsamt Heidenheim)

You will find many different authorities, offices and advisory offices within the District Council, for example the vehicle licensing authority, the youth office or the health authority.

On the <u>homepage of the District Office</u> you will find a list of all services offered.

Landratsamt Heidenheim Felsenstr.36 89518 Heidenheim

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07321 321 0

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post@landkreis-heidenheim.de

Asylum Seekers Benefits Authority (Asylbewerberleistungsbehörde)

During the asylum procedure, you will receive your money through the <u>Asylum Seeker</u> <u>Benefits Authority</u>.

Areas of responsibility: Asylum seeker services, issuing certificates for medical treatment, processing of <u>BuT (Education and Inclusion)</u> applications, etc.

House A, ground floor, room A 003 Felsenstr. 36 89518 Heidenheim

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asylbewerberleistungen@landkreis-heidenheim.de

Social Welfare Office (Sozialamt)

The tasks of the <u>Social Welfare Office (Sozialamt)</u> include the provision of social assistance. This includes the following services:

• Guaranteed minimum pension for the elderly or those with reduced earning capacity





- Care support
- Livelihood support
- Integration assistance for disabled people
- Help in overcoming particular social difficulties
- Health support
- Help in other life situations

The services of the Social Welfare Office (Sozialamt) also include relevant advice and support.

Youth and Family Department

The <u>Youth and Family Department</u> supports children, young people and families in the district of Heidenheim with numerous services. Preventive help is particularly important. The aim of our staff in every area of work is to create positive living conditions and equal opportunities for children and young people. We are also happy to assist parents - whether before or after birth, whether with young or older children.

Immigration Offices (Ausländerbehörden)

In order to be able to live as a non-German national in Germany, you need a residence permit (Aufenthaltstitel) (visa, residence permit, EU Blue Card, or permanent residence – of which there are two slightly different forms, "Niederlassungserlaubnis" and "Erlaubnis zum Daueraufenthalt"). In order to apply for a residence permit (Aufenthaltstitel), you need to go to the Bureau for Foreigners (Ausländerbehörde).

Other things you can do at the Immigration Offices (Ausländerbehörden) :

- Renew an arrival certificate
- Get or renew a temporary residence permit (Aufenthaltsgestattung)
- Apply for a work permit
- Registration certificate, registering and de-registering from a place of residence
- Residence permit (Aufenthaltserlaubnis) and special permits for travel

Contact details:

Areas of responsibility: ID card application, ID card extensions, work permits, subsequent admission of family members, transfer applications, residence requirements, etc.

Please note the particular jurisdiction area!

Heidenheim immigration offices (Ausländerbehörde Stadt Heidenheim)

(responsible for the municipal areas of Heidenheim, Schnaitheim, Mergelstetten, Oggenhausen and Großkuchen)





Stadt Heidenheim (Meeboldhaus) Grabenstraße 9 (former LBBW building) 89522 Heidenheim 073213273320

@

auslaenderwesen@heidenheim.de

Access by appointment only! You can find more detailed information about booking an appointment here: <u>https://www.heidenheim.de/rathaus-und-verwaltung/...</u>

Opening hours
 Monday: 08:30 am to 12:00 pm
 Tuesday: 08:30 am to 12:00 pm
 Wednesday: closed
 Thursday: 08:30 am to 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm
 Friday: 08:30 am to 12:30 pm

City of Giengen immigration offices (Ausländerbehörde Stadt Giengen)

(responsible for the city of Giengen, Burgberg, Hohenmemmingen, Hürben and Sachsenhausen)

Rathaus Giengen Marktstraße 11 89537 Giengen an der Brenz

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auslaenderwesen@heidenheim.de

©Opening hours Monday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Tuesday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Wednesday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Thursday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm Friday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

District of Heidenheim immigration offices (Ausländerbehörde Landkreis Heidenheim)

(responsible for all other communities)

Landratsamt Heidenheim Felsenstr. 36 89518 Heidenheim <u>073213210</u> @auslaenderbehoerde@landkreis-heidenheim.de





Appointments can be made online or by phone at 073213212226

Opening hours
Monday: 08:00 am to 11:30 am (by appointment only) and 2 pm - 4 pm
Tuesday: 08:00 am to 11:30 am (with appointment only)
Wednesday: closed
Thursday: 08:00 am to 11:30 am (with appointment only) and 2 pm to 5 pm
Friday: 08:00 am to 11:30 am

Guide to authorities

There are many authorities in Germany. They are responsible for different topics. The most important authorities are listed in alphabetical order on this page:

The asylum seeker benefits authority

During the asylum procedure, you will receive your money via the Asylum Seekers' Benefits Authority. The tasks are, for example: asylum seekers' benefits, issuing treatment certificates, processing BuT applications, etc.

You can find addresses and information here

The immigration authorities

Tasks: applying for ID cards, renewing ID cards, work permits, family reunification, redistribution applications, residence requirements, etc.

You can find addresses and information here

The Federal Employment Agency

The tasks: job placement, counselling, qualification, unemployment benefits, etc.

Federal Employment Agency Heidenheim <u>Ploucquetstraße 30</u> 89522 Heidenheim a. d. Brenz

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08004555500

@

heidenheim@arbeitsagentur.de <u>@www.arbeitsagentur.de</u> (German, English)

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Monday to Friday 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.





or by appointment

The Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BAMF)

The Federal Office for Migration and Refugees is responsible for processing your asylum application.

Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BAMF) P.O. Box 90343 Nuremberg

The residents' registration office

Can be found under **Town Halls**.

The tax office

The areas of responsibility: Issuing income tax cards, tax returns, information on taxes, <u>etc</u>.

Heidenheim tax office Marienstraße 15 89518 Heidenheim

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Monday 8:00 - 12:00 and 13:00 - 15:30 Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Wednesday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Do you need **help with your tax return?** You can contact a <u>tax consultant</u> or an <u>income tax</u> <u>assistance organisation</u>. These services **cost money**.

The health department

You can find it at Heidenheim District Office (Felsenstraße)

The job centre

Its tasks include Benefits according to SGB II (applications for <u>unemployment benefit 2</u>, <u>education and participation</u>), job placement, education and participation.

Job Centre Heidenheim

Theodor-Heuss-Str. 1 89518 Heidenheim





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S Monday to Friday 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Thursday 14:00 - 17:30

Appointments are also available outside opening hours.

The consulates/foreign missions

You can use the consulates to obtain original documents from your home country, for example.

You can find a list of consulates in Germany here

The District Office Heidenheim (Felsenstraße)

There are many different authorities, offices and advice centres in the district office. For example, the vehicle registration office, the youth welfare office or the health department.

Here you will find an overview of all the <u>services</u> offered by the District Office.

District Office Heidenheim Felsenstr. 36 89518 Heidenheim

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The town halls

As a rule, each municipality has its own town hall. In the town hall you will also find various authorities (for example the registry office or the residents' registration office).

You can find them under Towns and municipalities

The police stations

Most towns and municipalities have their own police station. (Please note that not all stations are staffed at all times).

Heidenheim police station

Schnaitheimer Str. 14 89520 Heidenheim





Schnaitheim police station

At the town hall 8 89520 Heidenheim

Herbrechtingen police station

Pfarrstraße 4 89542 Herbrechtingen

Giengen

Schwagestraße 16 89537 Giengen an der Brenz

Sontheim

Brenzer Street 25 89567 Sontheim an der Brenz

Steinheim

Forststraße 2 89555 Steinheim am Albuch

Gerstetten

Wilhelmstraße 30 89547 Gerstetten

Nattheim

Neresheimer Street 25 89564 Nattheim

The social welfare office

You will find it under District Office Heidenheim (Felsenstraße)

The registry office

Can be found under Town Halls

There is also a guide to the authorities in Heidenheim.

Job centre

The job centre is your contact in the event of unemployment and need of assistance. It pays financial benefits. It also offers job placement and training as required.

For example, it enables you to

- participation in a language course,
- placement in career counselling or
- the recognition of certificates.
- Job Centre staff are not permitted to pass on any information about customers. A power of attorney is required as a voluntary accompanying person. The power of attorney must be completed in full and signed by both parties.
- If you have a residence permit (asylum procedure still ongoing) or a tolerated stay permit (asylum procedure legally rejected), the employment agency is responsible for questions





relating to employment promotion.

The steps after a positive decision

You have received a positive decision from the BAMF. The asylum procedure has been successfully completed. This means that you are recognised as entitled to asylum or have been granted refugee protection. These are the next steps:

1. the personal interview

- You must go to the Job Centre during opening hours.
- You will be registered there as a customer.
- Your background will be recorded.
- Two appointments will be made: a counselling appointment with the benefits department and an appointment with the job centre
- You will be registered as a jobseeker.

2. the benefits department

- <u>Important</u>: You need an appointment for the counselling. There is no counselling without an appointment!
- Benefits are applied for (with an appointment) with the responsible caseworker.

3. the job centre

- <u>Important</u>: You need an appointment for counselling. There is no counselling without an appointment
- You must bring the integration course obligation or confirmation of participation in an integration course with you.
- Do you have documents about
 - School attendance,
 - training,
 - work certificate,
 - Recognition of qualifications obtained abroad ...

Please bring these with you.

- Tell us about your special skills (e.g. craftsmanship or language skills).
- Think about which areas of work you are interested in before your appointment.

Contact us:

Jobcenter Heidenheim

Theodor-Heuss-Str. 1 89518 Heidenheim

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Monday - Friday 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Thursday 14:00 - 17:30

You can book an appointment for a telephone call or a face-to-face meeting via the online





appointment system.

The job centre can be reached by telephone at $\bigcirc 07321 \ 345 \ 0$ from Monday - Friday 08:00 - 18:00.

Employment Agency

The Federal Employment Agency is responsible for everything to do with employment. If you are looking for a job, need help choosing a career in Germany, need your qualifications recognised or similar, the Employment Agency is your point of contact.

- If your asylum procedure is still ongoing (Aufenthaltsgestattung) or if you are tolerated (Duldung), then the Employment Agency is your point of contact for questions about the transition from school to work (careers advice), job placement and advice on further vocational training and for employer advice (employer service).
- Are you recognised and receive benefits from the job centre? Then the job centre is your contact for advice and placement in the labour market.

If you are looking for a job, you can search for offers on the Employment Agency website.

The contact:

The Federal Employment Agency

Areas of responsibility: Job placement, counselling, qualification, unemployment benefits, etc.

Federal Employment Agency Heidenheim
Ploucquetstraße 30
89522 Heidenheim a. d. Brenz
08004555500
@heidenheim@arbeitsagentur.de
Federal Employment Agency (German, English)

Monday to Friday 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. or by appointment <u>online appointments</u>

Advice and assistance

Migration counselling

Do you need individual and practical help with German culture and bureaucracy?

The <u>migration counselling</u> service <u>of Arbeiterwohlfahrt Heidenheim</u> offers **free advice** and support for all **adult migrants**.

The main focus:

Help with personal concerns





- Help with legal questions regarding residence, asylum procedures
- Help with finding accommodation
- integration courses
- Recognising documents and qualifications
- Papers and certificates
- Training and school
- Career and work
- Kindergarten (childcare)
- health issues
- medical care
- marriage, family and education
- mobility and transport
- Recreation, sport and leisure activities

Contact and opening hours in Heidenheim:

Arbeiterwohlfahrt Heidenheim Kreisverband e.V. Talstraße 90 89518 Heidenheim **07321983624** or <u>07321983647</u>

Thursdays: 14:00 - 16:00

Contact and opening hours in Giengen

Workers' Welfare Organisation (AWO) Giengen Johann-Sebastian-Bach Street 28 89537 Giengen <u>07322966812</u>

Monday: 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

MBE on Facebook

Mbeon - the online migration counselling service

The information platform "mbeon" provides immigrants with information on many topics. The new website is available in German, English, Russian and Arabic. There is also a chat function. This allows you to chat with counsellors. The counsellors speak different languages.

Youth migration service

The **Youth Migration Service (JMD)** of the Workers' Welfare Association in Heidenheim supports the successful integration of young migrants between the ages of 12 and 27.

The most important goal of the JMD is to improve opportunities in

- school,
- training and





- work.

Young migrants should be supported in school and training processes in order to develop themselves. They will then be able to enter the labour market later on.

The JMD offers young people with a migration background many opportunities to realise their goals.

As part of individual integration support or in group programmes, they receive **free** support with integration and orientation difficulties.

The services

- Integration support planning (case management procedure)
- Socio-educational counselling
- Personal concerns and crisis situations
- job applications and applications
- German courses
- Language support and homework help
- further education courses (IT courses, job application coaching)
- School, training, studies or work

- Recognition of school and university degrees and professional qualifications obtained in the home country

- Placement in other programmes in the local network

For the parents

Working with parents is one of the JMD's most important tasks.

The JMD

- offers counselling on educational and parenting issues
- puts parents in touch with contact persons
- translates in the event of comprehension problems and
- improves the framework conditions under which the children's school and professional careers take place.

The contact

Arbeiterwohlfahrt Heidenheim Kreisverband e.V. Youth Migration Service (JMD)

Talstraße 90 89518 Heidenheim <u>07321983628</u> or <u>07321983631</u> or <u>01746879053</u> Thursday 14:00 - 16:00

The JMD on Facebook

Jugendberufsagentur

The Heidenheim Youth Employment Agency is a project of the Job Centre, the Employment Agency and the District Office. Young people up to the age of 25 receive support here with problems, questions about working life or the citizen's allowance.

We always have an open ear for you and your concerns - just drop by!





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Jugendberufsagentur Heidenheim Friedrichstraße 2 89518 Heidenheim

www.jba-hdh.de

<u>07321 74777 0</u>

Opening hours:

Monday - Wednesday: 08:00 - 16:00 Thursday: 08:00 - 17:30 Friday: 08:00 - 11:30

Welcome Centre Ostwürttemberg

Are you new to Germany? Do you have questions about living and working in Germany?

The <u>Welcome Centre Ostwürttemberg</u> will provide you with information free of charge. These are topics

- the recognition of foreign school and professional qualifications,
- work, job search and application,
- training and studying,
- learning German,
- the right of entry and residence,
- the healthcare system,
- childcare,
- mobility,
- the religious communities,
- the school,
- insurance,
- clubs and leisure activities,
- housing
- ... and much more.

The Welcome Centre speaks these languages:

- German,
- English,
- French and
- Spanish

The counselling appointments:

Counselling is free of charge. You can find the exact times on the <u>homepage</u>. Appointments are available in Aalen, Ellwangen, Giengen, Heidenheim and Schwäbisch Gmünd.





Online counselling is available by appointment.

Contact:

The management of the Welcome Centre Ostwürttemberg Steffen Kohnle Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)

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0176 747 874 12 Skype: WelcomeCenter OW @kohnle@ostwuerttemberg.de

Daniel Schramm International skilled workers - SMEs/companies 07171 927 53 31 0176 747 874 12 @schramm@ostwuerttemberg.de

Solveigh Gauditz International Students - International Professionals 0736 157 617 05 01522 604 39 29 @solveigh.gauditz@hs-aalen.de

Integration management

Integration managers are the **point of contact for refugees in follow-up accommodation**. Counselling can be provided on an outreach basis. Their tasks include

- Social counselling by providing information or contact persons
- Drawing up a joint integration plan
- Support and guidance in achieving the goals of the integration plan
- Guiding you to local associations, volunteer programmes and integration offers

The place where you live decides who is responsible for you. If necessary, please get in touch with the relevant contact person!

Contact persons in the district of Heidenheim

Note: For refugees in the shared accommodation centres, the social-pedagogical support of the Heidenheim district office is responsible!

For the town of Heidenheim





City of Heidenheim Wagnerstraße 3 89518 Heidenheim @integration@heidenheim.de 073212772240 Consultation hours: Appointment by arrangement

For Härtsfeldstraße in the town of Heidenheim:

Caritas Ostwürttemberg Härtsfeldstraße 19 89520 Heidenheim @pravilov@caritas-ost-wuerttemberg.de _0732155049610 _0732155049612

For the town of Herbrechtingen:

eva Heidenheim gGmbH

Herbrechtingen Town Hall Lange Str. 58 89542 Herbrechtingen @integrationsmanagement@eva-heidenheim.de 073249551800 073249551801

Office hours:
 Monday: 08:00 - 12:00 and 14:00 - 16:00
 Tuesday: 08:00 - 12:00
 Wednesday: 14:00 - 18:00
 At other times: Appointment by arrangement

For the town of Giengen, municipality of Dischingen, municipality of Hermaringen:

City of Giengen

Integration Management Giengen Integration meeting point Market Street 24 89537 Giengen an der Brenz 073229568948 073229568949 @integration@giengen.de



https://www.treffpunkt-integration-giengen.de





Office hours: Monday 9:00 - 13:00 Tuesday 9:00 - 13:00 and 14:00 - 16:00 Wednesday 7:30 - 13:00 Thursday 12:00 - 18:00 Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

For the municipalities of Königsbronn, Nattheim and Steinheim:

District Office Heidenheim Felsenstraße 36 <u>07321321 2198</u> @integration@landkreis-heidenheim.de

Consultation hours in the municipalities:
 Königsbronn Monday 13:00 to 16:00
 Steinheim Tuesday 13:00 to 16:00
 Nattheim Wednesday 13:00 to 16:00

At other times: Appointment by arrangement

For the municipality of Gerstetten:

Municipality of Gerstetten

Integration Management Gerstetten Town Hall Room 3 (ground floor) Wilhelmstraße 31 89547 Gerstetten

@aideen.jakob@gerstetten.de

 0 7323843 61

 016099712436

 Fax: 07323 84 309

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 - 12:00 and by appointment

For the town of Niederstotzingen and the municipality of Sontheim an der Brenz:

Niederstotzingen Town Council Im Städtle 26 Room U3 (ground floor) 89168 Niederstotzingen @swetlana.schmid@niederstotzingen.de 0732510229 Fax: 0732510236





Office hours: Monday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Thursday: 9:00 - 17:00

Municipality of Sontheim an der Brenz

Integration Management Brenzer Street 25 Room 107 (1st floor) 89567 Sontheim an der Brenz @mailto:s.schmid@sontheim-brenz.de 073251725 Fax: 07325 17 47

Office hours:
 Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
 Wednesday: 9:00 - 17:00
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Return counselling

Would you like to return to your home country before the BAMF has decided on your asylum application?

Do you need financial help for your return journey?

The Central Return Counselling Service (ZRB) will advise you on how voluntary departure to your home country can work. The counselling is open-ended. This means that you decide yourself after the counselling whether or not you want to leave voluntarily.

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Further information on voluntary return: - on the website of the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BAMF) and - the multilingual portal <u>Returning from Germany</u>.

Integration and volunteering team

Contact person and contact of the migration team in the district of Heidenheim:

Yasemin Yelen Integration Officer <u>073213212128</u> <u>QY.Yelen@Landkreis-Heidenheim.de</u> <u>Homepage</u>

Are you considering becoming a volunteer yourself? Are you looking for a new task? There is a need for volunteers in many areas. This can be support in everyday life, leisure activities, tutoring or translation. We would be happy to help you find a suitable volunteer position,





please contact @ ehrenamt@landkreis-heidenheim.de.

Asylum and refugees

Family asylum and international protection for family members

Family asylum and international protection for family members

Family members of people who have been granted protection can also apply for asylum. If the application is accepted, they receive the same protection status (asylum, refugee status or other protection).

Family asylum includes these family members:

- Spouses or registered partners
- Unmarried children under the age of 18
- · Parents, if they have custody of a minor, unmarried child
- Other adults caring for an unmarried minor child
- Siblings under the age of 18 if they are unmarried

For spouses to be granted asylum, the marriage must have already existed in the country of origin. The asylum application must be submitted before or at the same time as the person entitled to protection or directly after entry. In addition, the protection status of the main person must not have been cancelled.

Born in Germany:

If a child is born in Germany after the parents have applied for asylum, it can be granted its own asylum procedure under certain conditions.

To do this, the parents (if at least one parent is still in the asylum procedure) or the immigration authority must notify the Federal Office of the birth. The asylum application is then automatically filed for the baby. The parents can state their own reasons for asylum for their child. If they do not do this, the same reasons as for the parents will be applied. If the application is rejected, they can take it to court.

To protect the child, the following also applies: If a child is still a minor, they may not be separated from their parents and deported alone.

Further information can be found directly on the BAMF website Family reunification (BAMF)

Support groups

Are you looking for companionship or support in every-day tasks, for example

- with shopping
- with homework help for schoolchildren
- with learning German
- with visits to the authorities and doctor's visits
- with leisure activities





• with getting in contact with clubs?

Then you can get in touch with the following contacts.

These are people **engaged in volunteer work** who have come together in support groups or friendship circles to help refugees and recent immigrants.

Contact:

Heidenheim:

@info-asyl-hdh@gmx.de
@inihelp@yahoo.de
@monikacharisius@web.de ; \$ 0176 754 132 68

Giengen:

@Lukas.schuler@giengen.de ; 📞 073229568949

Gerstetten:

@kontakt@freundeskreis-asyl-gerstetten.de

Hermaringen:

@freundeskreis-asyl.hermaringen@gmx.de

Königsbronn:

@wietschorke@se-hdhn.de ; 📞 07328 922 039

Nattheim:

@roedner@web.de

Niederstotzingen:

@thehardman@gmx.de ; 📞 07325 921 730

Steinheim:

@<u>rosi.tietboehl@gmx.de</u> ; 📞 <u>0151 152 412 46</u>

Asylum application and BAMF

The asylum procedure

If you come to Germany as a refugee, you must **apply for asylum**. The application will be examined by the **Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BAMF).** It will then decide whether you are allowed to stay in Germany or not.

The **asylum procedure** is briefly summarised here.





On the BAMF website you will find more detailed <u>information on the asylum</u> <u>procedure in Germany</u> (also available in several languages) and <u>the asylum</u> <u>procedure</u>.

1. the asylum application (1st interview)

Once you have arrived in Germany, you will be registered at an **initial reception centre**. Here you will receive your **temporary identity card**. This is called Ankunftsnachweis, BüMA or Laufzettel. There are initial reception centres in Ellwangen, Karlsruhe and Heidelberg, for example.

You usually submit your asylum application there. Sometimes it is later. You will then be assigned to a **district or urban district**, for example to the district of Heidenheim. You will live there in **temporary accommodation**. You will receive your **residence permit** from the <u>immigration office responsible for</u> you. This is a green identity card.

If you have not yet applied for asylum, please contact your responsible counsellor.

2. the interview (2nd interview)

After you have submitted your asylum application, you will receive an appointment by post for the **interview** at the initial reception centre responsible for you.

Please take this letter to the <u>Asylum Seekers' Benefits Office</u>. There you will receive confirmation that the costs for the train will be covered.

At this interview, you must explain why you have fled to Germany. The BAMF will then decide on your asylum application.

Please understand that many people have currently applied for asylum. Therefore, you may have to wait longer for an appointment.

3. the decision

Some time after your interview, you will receive your **decision** by post. This will state how your asylum procedure will be decided. There are various options (selection):

Refugee status:

- Residence permit for 3 years,
- then extension under certain circumstances.
- Family reunification possible.

• Subsidiary protection:

- Residence permit for 1 year,
- then extension under certain circumstances.
- Family reunification currently not possible.
- Ban on deportation:
 - Residence permit for 1 year,
 - then extension under certain circumstances.
 - Family reunification not possible.
- Refusal:
 - Obligation to leave the country/deportation;
 - possibly temporary toleration.





Take your decision to the responsible immigration office and the asylum seeker benefits office as soon as possible!

Benefits and accommodation during the asylum procedure

→ **During** your asylum procedure, you will receive money from the Heidenheim District Office. You will be housed in accommodation provided by the Heidenheim District Office.

→ After the positive decision, you will receive your money from the job centre. You must <u>look for</u> your own <u>flat</u>. If you have not found a flat within 3 months of receiving your decision, you will be moved to accommodation in a town or municipality in the district. This is called "Anschlussunterbringung" (AU).

Voluntary return

Would you like to return to your home country voluntarily during your ongoing asylum procedure or after a rejection? The <u>return counselling</u> service <u>of the</u> district office will provide you with information and support.

Further information on voluntary return can be found on the <u>website of the Federal</u> <u>Office for Migration and Refugees</u> and the multilingual portal <u>Returning from</u> <u>Germany</u>.

EU migrants and late repatriates

EU migrants

If you are a **citizen of an EU member state**, you can generally enter, live and work in Germany legally (Freedom of Movement Act/EU).

You must then register with the <u>relevant residents' registration office</u>. To do this, you will need a valid identity card or a valid passport from your country of origin.

Please remember that you are not entitled to social benefits in Germany for the first 5 years (if you are not working).

Late repatriates

After you have received your **notice of admission** in your country of origin, you may enter Germany.

There you will be assigned to a district by the Federal Office of Administration in Friedland (for example the district of Heidenheim). If you cannot find private accommodation, you will be accommodated by the district.

You can find further information here

