



#### Celebrating 25 years of the Immigrant Family Resource Program in Illinois

The immigrant community of Illinois is vibrant and diverse. The **1.8 million immigrants** who call Illinois home are an integral part of the fabric of our state. But immigrant communities face particular challenges when accessing services, and are often excluded from civic life because of their immigration status or ability to speak English.

For 25 years the **Immigrant Family Resource Program** has connected immigrants across Illinois with interpretation, translation, and case management services. Through our statewide network of community based partners, local organizations across Illinois have provided everyday case management in addition to stepping up to meet the moment to address the urgent needs of Syrian refugees, Afghans, Ukrainians, and Southern Border arrivals.

#### IFRP by the numbers

## Over 20,000

Immigrants assisted through IFRP partners every year 65

IFRP partner organizations located across the state of Illinois





## Over 650,000

Immigrants who have been connected to essential services through IFRP partners since 2003

59

Languages spoken by IFRP partners









# Our impact in FY 2023





For 25 years, the Immigrant Family Resource Program has connected immigrants and refugees to valuable services including case management, public benefits, translation, interpretation, and financial assistance in 59 different languages across Illinois.

### IFRP by the numbers, FY 2023:







## ISLI FY 2025 ask: \$40 million

IFRP, along with its partner program the New Americans Initiative, have been pivotal in providing essential services to our most vulnerable communities during crises. The state of Illinois relied heavily on our outreach in 59 languages to implement its COVID response and continues to look to our statewide partners network to support new arrivals. The need is ongoing as we continue to emerge from the pandemic and respond to the needs of new communities, including Syrian refugees, Afghans, Ukrainians, and new arrivals from the southern border.

In total, immigrant serving organizations are recommending a GRF appropriation of **at least \$40 million\*** to meet these needs.





