

What do we envision for the Center?



A PLACE FOR IMMIGRANTS

The IWRC will serve as a support hub for the tri-state's growing immigrant and refugee population, empowering them by:

- Providing services that help meet their needs
- Developing programs that highlight and leverage the assets they bring to help our community grow, and
- Connecting them to the people, places, and resources they need to thrive.

BUILT ON COLLABORATION

Services and programs developed and provided through partnerships with other immigrant-led organizations, nonprofits, service providers employers, government entities, and other supporters.

KEY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES



A **physical hub** for services, navigation support, celebrations, and engagement between immigrants and larger community + a **digital hub** outlining programs, services, and resources in the community



Services and programs focused on priority needs:

- ESL and acculturation classes
- New Americans Academy
- Natural Helpers support
- Legal consultations and assistance
- Student mentoring
- Employment and credentialing evaluation referrals
- Events to raise awareness about immigrant experience, needs, and assets
- Cultural competency trainings
- Immigrant community data gathering and sharing with partners to inform community decision-making



Case management and facilitated connections and follow up to community partners, services, programs, and resources



Structured network of volunteers, board members, advocates, individuals and community partners engaging with issues relevant to immigrant community (**Board of Directors** and **Advisory Board** with community partners)

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IMMIGRANT WELCOME & RESOURCE CENTER



Why a Welcome Center?

Context: Rapidly growing immigrant community

Problem: **Lack of connection** between immigrants and larger community and **multiple systemic barriers** preventing integration



Solution: Remove barriers and promote integration through partnerships and collaboration

An Economic Development Strategy

- Fastest growing segment of the population
- Untapped skills, education, experience, and assets for workforce needs

A Holistic Human-Centered Approach

- Structured, collaborative effort for systemic impact
- Addressing enduring inequities to advance belonging for all



A strategic lever to build a prosperous region for all

What do we envision for the Center?

Vision

A thriving community where immigrants are welcomed, have equitable access to opportunities, and leverage their talent to strengthen our region

Mission

Serve as a trusted partner and advocate for immigrants, providing opportunities that help them thrive so we can build a more welcoming and prosperous region for all.