

# Immigrant Rights and Resources in San Francisco

Local policies, resources,  
and programs for all immigrants



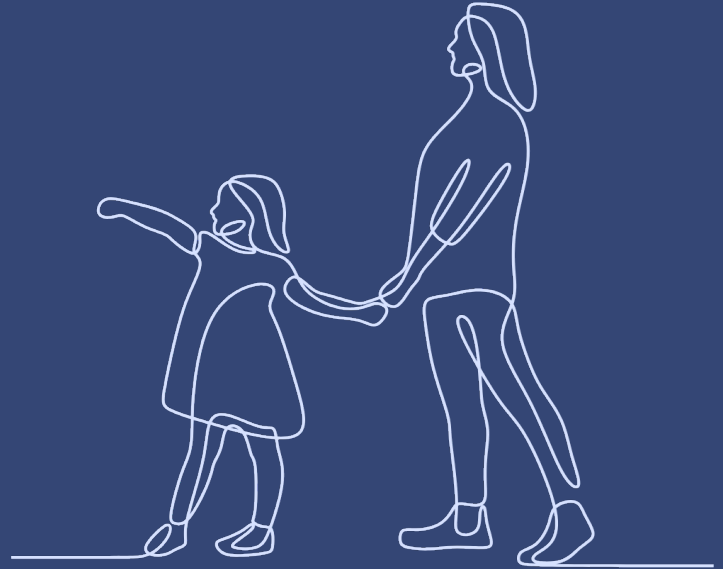


# About OCEIA

The Office of Civic Engagement & Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA) is a policy, compliance, direct services and grantmaking City department.

OCEIA's mission is to promote inclusive policies and foster immigrant assistance programs that lead to full civic, economic and linguistic inclusion.

# Local Resources for Immigrants



# Before: Preparing for Immigration Emergencies



# Know the Resources: SF Immigrant Forum

**Resource website:** [sf.gov/immigrants](https://sf.gov/immigrants)

**The SF Immigrant Forum website provides information on low-barrier resources available to immigrants, asylees, and refugees in San Francisco.**

## **Resources include:**

- Immigration legal support
- Health
- Housing and shelter
- Food
- Know your rights
- Financial and cash assistance
- Identification
- English language learning
- Child care and family
- Economic and workforce development
- Transportation
- State and regional resources

*and more!*

# Prepare for Financial Emergencies

The City's Office of Financial Empowerment partnered with OCEIA to create a new resource to help San Franciscans prepare for unexpected financial disruptions caused by emergencies such as:

- Natural disasters
- Medical emergencies
- Immigration-related issues
- Detainment or incarceration

Learn more: [sftreasurer.org/financial-emergencies](https://sftreasurer.org/financial-emergencies)

The Preparing for Financial Emergencies online resource is available in 12 languages:

- English
- Spanish
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Arabic
- Russian
- Vietnamese
- Dutch
- French
- German
- Italian
- Portuguese

# Stay Connected: SF Immigrant Forum

## Bi-monthly online webinars

The SF Immigrant Forum meetings are topic-based convenings for service providers to connect with City departments and community organizations on relevant resources and information for immigrant communities.

### Last meeting:

In September, the SF Immigrant Forum covered updates from the SF Rapid Response Network and Know Your Rights information.

Watch the recorded meeting: [bit.ly/sfimmforum\\_9-24-25](https://bit.ly/sfimmforum_9-24-25)

### Next meeting:

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 from 2:30 - 4:00 pm

Register: [sf.gov/immigrants](https://sf.gov/immigrants)

# Get Immigration Help: SF Immigration Workshops

## Free Citizenship Workshops

The **San Francisco Pathways to Citizenship Initiative** hosts free, regular workshops that assist eligible immigrant green card holders with their naturalization application.

Workshops occur in various locations across San Francisco every 2-4 months. Support is available in multiple languages, and help with the low-income fee waiver is also provided.

For information on upcoming workshops, visit: [sfcitizenship.org](https://sfcitizenship.org)

## Free Work Permit Clinics

OCEIA hosts free Work Permit Application Clinics with support from community partners. These clinics support **Asylum Seekers** apply for their Employment Authorization Document (EAD).

For information on upcoming workshops, visit: [sf.gov/oceia](https://sf.gov/oceia)



# Get Immigration Help: SF Immigrant Support Hub

**Find free to low-cost immigration legal help in San Francisco: [immigrants.sf.gov](https://immigrants.sf.gov)**

**The organizations listed on this website can help immigrants find immigration legal help.**

- Consultations are generally low-cost or free and the application cost may be covered for San Franciscans.
- Filter by immigration type and language need
- Rapid Response Hotline information available
- Full site is available to use in English, Spanish, Chinese and Filipino.

# Get Immigration Fee Assistance

## Mission Asset Fund

**Get a zero-interest loan to pay your USCIS immigration application fee.**

Available for the following immigration petitions:

- DACA
- Citizenship
- Green Card
- Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
- Family Petitions
- Advance Parole
- Employment Authorization (EAD)

Benefits of Loan Participation:

- Build credit history
- Self-paced online financial education

Learn more: [missionassetfund.org/immigration-programs](https://missionassetfund.org/immigration-programs)

# During: Rapid Response & Activation



# San Francisco Rapid Response Network

**SF's 24-hour Rapid Response hotline: 415-200-1548**

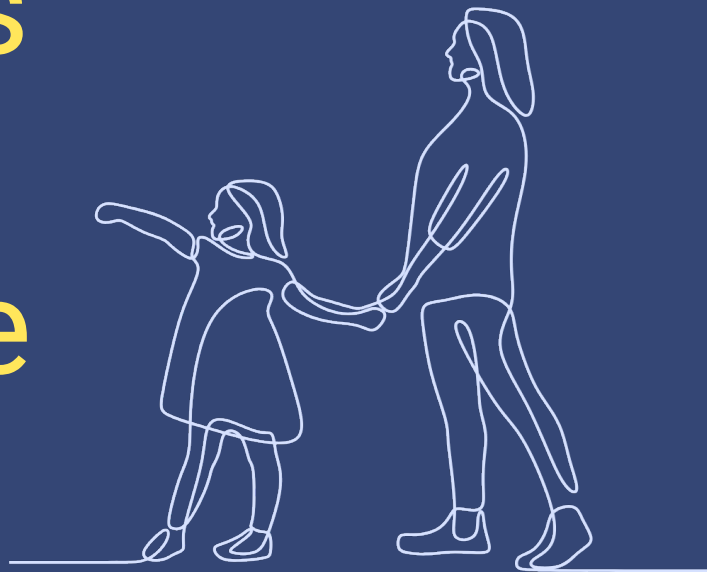
**Call the hotline to get help with:**

- Emergency **legal help** for someone detained by ICE
- Requests for immigration court and ICE check-in **accompaniment**
- Requests for urgent and non-urgent **legal consultations**
- To report observed immigration enforcement activity in San Francisco

**Save the number in your phone to call when needed.** The Rapid Response hotline usually has just one person answering the phone. So if the line is busy, please call back. Help is available in multiple languages.

The SF Rapid Response Network is run by a group of community non-profit organizations from SFILN and SFILDC. Learn more: [sfilen.org/resources/sf-rapid-response-network](https://sfilen.org/resources/sf-rapid-response-network)

# After: Resources & Support for Impacted People



# Get Financial Help: Stand Together Bay Area

## Support for Immigrant Families in Crisis

The **Stand Together Bay Area Fund** provides direct emergency grants to trusted, local non-profit organizations that ensure families receive essential assistance for rent, food, and basic living expenses and works to:

- Help families pay their rent and put food on the table
- Provide emergency aid during times of fear and uncertainty
- Strengthen community organizations working directly with immigrant families
- Send a powerful message of solidarity and hope

Learn more: [sff.org/stand-together-bay-area](https://sff.org/stand-together-bay-area)

# Get Financial Help: ALMA Fund

**Providing stability and support to immigrant families facing sudden detention or deportation**

The **Mission Asset Fund ALMA Program** provides rapid, dignified support to help immigrant families stay afloat during one of the most challenging moments of their lives.

ALMA supports impacted immigrants with:

- Direct cash assistance
- Financial services
- Community connections

Learn more: [missionassetfund.org/alma-fund](https://missionassetfund.org/alma-fund)

# Stay Connected:

## Questions?

- Email [civic.engagement@sfgov.org](mailto:civic.engagement@sfgov.org)
- Call OCEIA at 415-554-0600

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**Website:** [sf.gov/oceia](https://sf.gov/oceia)

