ANNAPOLIS IMMIGRATION JUSTICE NETWORK

2024 Community Report

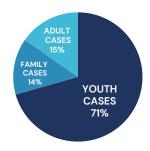


AIJN provided services for

736

immigrants

including 445 ongoing cases and 291 new individuals served in 2024.



Types of Cases



96% success rate of favorable outcomes in court hearings for cases funded by AIJN

\$235,000+

AWARDED FROM OUR LEGAL FUND FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATION



ACCOMPANIMENT PROGRAM RELAUNCHED

In 2024, we relaunched our accompaniment program. Volunteers provide transportation and accompany AIJN clients to court hearings and legal appointments. This program had been paused during the pandemic, when AIJN provided transportation for clients through ride-sharing services like Uber and Lyft.

Volunteers and clients are happy the program is up and running. One client shared, "the volunteers didn't even know us and they treated us like family. I am so appreciative. Thank you."

COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

in 2024 we supported clients from 15 countries:



Brazil, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Germany, Guatemala, Honduras, Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Peru, Venezuela



DAVID'S STORY: A FAMILY SEEKING SAFETY



"I want to thank you very much because thanks to your kind hearts and the help you are giving, families are able **to protect our own families**. I know that this support is going to help us move forward."

Names and photos changed for client privacy and safety

David, his wife, and their three children were living a quiet life in Mexico. They owned a house, had a small piece of land, and David had a job in the farming industry. "It wasn't an extravagant life, but I was able to provide for my family." All of that changed after David reported a crime he witnessed. He was kidnapped and his family was threatened.

Thankfully, they were able to escape and flee to the United States and in 2024, they arrived in Anne Arundel County. His family learned about AIJN from a friend and we were able to connect him to one of our partnering attorneys for a legal consultation. The attorney offered representation for their asylum application, and AIJN was able to provide funding for their representation.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Our work is possible because of the amazing support of our community.



300+
ACCOMPANIMENT
VOLUNTEER HOURS



282
DONATIONS

\$50,000

RAISED IN OUR ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN



8GRANTS
RECEIVED



Thanks to amazing individual donor support, we will continue to address the barriers immigrants in our community face in accessing legal representation.

AIJN is also extremely grateful for the financial support from grants and donations made by:

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We could not do this work without this incredible community support. Thank you!