A FAIR SHOT MAYOR BOWSER'S 2019 BUDGET

IMMIGRANT JUSTICE LEGAL SERVICES
GRANT PROGRAM (IJLS)



Defending Immigrant Washingtonians, DC Values in Action

The IJLS Program provides resources to partner organizations that defend the rights of immigrant Washingtonians through informational programs and direct legal aid.

From providing guidance throughout the citizenship application process, to applying for visas, work permits, asylum, and renewals, the IJLS program funds a range of legal services for the immigrant community, providing security for individuals and families.

Did you know, the IJLS program supports asylum claims from LGBTQ immigrants forced to flee their homes because of who they are and political refugees fleeing persecution of what they believe?



By the Numbers



Money Invested \$1,000,000 over FY 17and FY 18

Know Your Rights Sessions



Know Your Rights Sessions Hosted

Individuals Touched Through Know Your Rights Sessions

Direct Legal Services Provided

330

Ongoing Cases Serviced Favorable Resolutions Through IJLS

for Clients

Asylum cases opened

Legal Matters Pending



applications



**Numbers current through 2017

Trump actions relating to immigrants



- DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals)
- TPS (Temporary Protected Status)
- Longer wait times, federally, for all applicants

DC Response



- DC residents provided legal help
- More pro bono attorneys trained in providing immigrant rights services
- Stronger nonprofit organizations serving DC immigrants
- DC Values in Action

****EXACT GOVERNMENT OF THE** DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

In 2019, Mayor Bowser will invest \$800,000 alone to ensure residents have the support they need.