Mission
The Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota enhances opportunities for immigrants and refugees through legal representation for low-income individuals, and through education and advocacy with diverse communities.

Values
ILCM’s values are grounded in respect for and partnership with our immigrant and refugee clients.
- We bring our full legal passion, dedicated attention and highest quality service to our low-income immigrant and refugee clients and their families;
- We value relationships with the communities we serve and seek to express their full potential and contributions through our work together;
- We work with excellence and integrity;
- We believe in taking action to make immigration systems work for all.

Unique Attributes
- ILCM is the only legal program in Minnesota that provides comprehensive immigration services to low-income persons of all nationalities regardless of legal status.
- ILCM has offices in St. Paul, Austin, Moorhead, and Worthington – increasing access to legal services for immigrants and refugees throughout Minnesota.

Clients
- ILCM serves low-income immigrants and refugees residing in the state of Minnesota.
- In 2020, ILCM served clients coming from 105 countries, with 35% from Mexico, 19% from countries in Central and South America, 20% from countries in Asia, 20% from countries in Africa, and the remainder from countries in Europe, Oceania, and North America.
- In 2020, ILCM served clients living in 73 counties in Minnesota.

Activities
- Represent individuals and families in legal matters to obtain, improve, and preserve legal status – such as DACA for Dreamers, VAWA and U Visas for survivors of violence, deportation defense for detainees, and citizenship for green card holders.
- Educate immigrants, professionals, and the general community about immigration and the issues faced by immigrants and refugees.
- Advocate for fair and comprehensive immigration reform at the federal, state, and local levels that support immigrants and refugees.

COVID-19 Actions
During the pandemic, we lived our mission in a way that promotes and protects the safety, security, and privacy of our clients, community, and staff. We closed our physical offices for the safety of our clients and staff. We remained available to clients via phone and video calls, and we took a number of steps to increase our accessibility. We conducted immediate intakes for victims of violence, expanded our phone intake hours, scheduled an attorney-of-the-day to provide immediate, brief advice, and created COVID Updates and COVID Resources pages on our website.

2020 Success
ILCM provided legal services in 3,793 unique cases impacting approximately 11,379 individuals.

146 pro bono attorneys donated over 3,461 hours of service to ILCM clients and their families.

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