

**IMMIGRANT  
LAW CENTER**  
— *of* MINNESOTA —

— 2024 —

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## Dear Friends and Allies,

Now more than ever, it is clear that collaborative efforts are integral to protecting our communities and advocating for our immigrant neighbors. In 2024, the Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota was key in forming the New Americans Immigration Hub project. The “Hub” was created in partnership with four other Minnesota legal aid nonprofits to help coordinate and streamline similar services. This important collaboration will make it easier for new Minnesotans to access legal services by creating coordinated intake systems, new clinic locations, specialized educational materials, joint outreach efforts, and a more thoughtful referral network.

While the New Americans Immigration Hub project was a highlight, 2024 saw success and growth in other significant areas including:

- Assisting in ensuring proper implementation of the Driver’s Licenses For All law by acting as a liaison between the Department of Vehicle Services and the community.
- Expedited filings for TPS and DACA, given the projected policies of the incoming administration.
- Wide dissemination of updated Know Your Rights materials via print, social media, and website.

As we celebrate these victories, we would be remiss not to acknowledge the ushering in of a new era of federal immigration policy that is certain to bring significant challenges. We remain committed to defending our clients and our community. May our past successes fuel a deep resolve to create a world in which all people are afforded the dignity they deserve.

In solidarity,

*Jennifer Stohl Powell*

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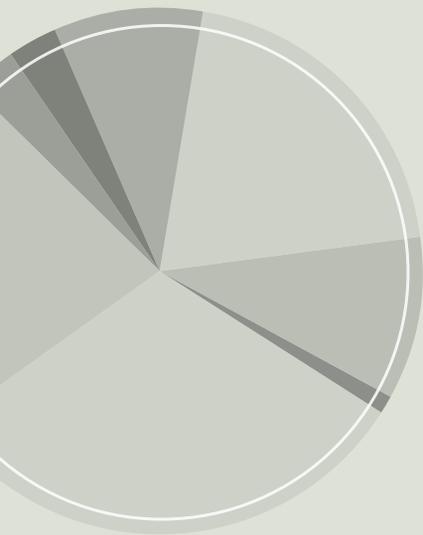
# Our Impact

In 2024, ILCM provided legal services in 2,734 unique cases impacting approximately 9,000 individuals.



## Clients came from 102 countries

- 26% from Mexico
- 26% from Central and South America and the Caribbean
- 13% from Asia, Oceania, and the Pacific Islands
- 21% from Africa
- 4% from the Middle East
- Remaining 10% from Europe and North America



## Case type by percentage

- Citizenship – 21%
- DACA – 10%
- Deportation Defense – 4%
- Family Reunification – 4%
- Green Card – 21%
- Humanitarian - 22%
  - ▶ VAWA, Affirmative Asylum, Refugee/Asylee Relative Petition, T Visas, U Visas, etc.
- Misc - 12%
  - ▶ Travel Documents, Administrative Appeals, Employment Authorizations, etc.
- Temporary Status – 6%

# Advocacy and Education

ILCM is grateful to the community, community partners, all the supporters who advocated for legislation, and everyone who wrote an email, called a legislator, or showed up at the Capitol. Together, we advocated for immigrants and refugees in the Minnesota legislature, and the legislature responded.



## Advocacy and Education

ILCM worked diligently on advocating for the Expanding Access to Post-Conviction Relief for Certain Non-Citizens bill. This bill was designed to expand access to the application process for post-conviction relief beyond the 2-year application window.



The proposal was debated in end-of-session negotiations between the House and Senate but did not make it past that phase.

We worked collaboratively with other Minnesota legal service providers on the creation of the State Board of Civil Legal Aid that will manage state civil legal services funding. The creation of this stand-alone agency reflects the legislature's recognition of the importance of the legal services provided by organizations like ILCM.

We co-led a major advocacy initiative with Fines and Fees Justice Center to support the Lifeline Affordable Auto Insurance bill that would create a publicly administered, affordable auto insurance program for low-income, good drivers. The bill received strong public support and though it did not pass, we raised public and legislative awareness, established a durable advocacy infrastructure, and are actively planning our 2026 strategy.

## Budget Breakdown

24%

General:

Assisting immigrants and refugees to obtain temporary status, green cards, and citizenship

10%

Community Defense:

Work in deportation defense

12%

New Beginnings Project:

Assisting immigrant survivors of domestic violence or serious crimes and their children

10%

Rural Immigration Project:

Work in our Austin, Moorhead, Worthington, and Fargo offices

11%

New Americans Immigration Hub

5%

Pro Bono

4%

Education & Advocacy

10%

Core Mission Support: *Fundraising*

14%

Core Mission Support: *Administration*

# 2024 Financials

Fiscal Years Ended December 31	2024	2023
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash	\$1,058,575	\$924,170
Prepays	13,695	12,326
Receivables	760,467	474,083
Certificate of Deposits	1,344,920	
Right-of-Use Asset-Operating	218,078	105,135
Furniture and Equipment, Net	49,605	74,116
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$3,445,340</b>	<b>\$2,900,805</b>
<b>Liabilities and Net Assets</b>		
Liabilities	\$458,196	\$219,373
Long-term Notes Payable	100,834	187,306
Lease Liability, Net of Current Portion	114,094	20,043
Net Assets: • Unrestricted	2,467,582	2,231,796
• Temporarily Restricted	304,634	242,287
<i>Total Net Assets</i>	\$2,772,216	\$2,474,083
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$3,445,340</b>	<b>\$2,900,805</b>
<b>Support and Revenue</b>		
Support: • Contributions	\$1,496,942	\$1,476,524
• In-kind Donations	1,221,144	889,417
• Government Grants & Contracts	2,527,862	1,473,758
<i>Total Support</i>	\$5,245,948	\$3,839,699
Revenue: • Events (less Direct Costs)	65,470	93,951
• Loan Forgiveness	37,500	37,500
• Miscellaneous	90,035	22,302
<i>Total Revenue</i>	\$193,005	\$153,753
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>\$5,438,953</b>	<b>\$3,993,452</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
Program Services: • Legal Assistance	\$3,968,752	\$3,143,225
• Community Education	228,557	164,303
<i>Total Program Services</i>	\$4,197,309	\$3,307,528
Support Services: • Management & General	576,100	458,690
• Fundraising	367,411	420,494
<i>Total Support Services</i>	\$943,511	\$879,184
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$5,140,820</b>	<b>\$4,186,712</b>
<b>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$298,133</b>	<b>\$193,260</b>
Net Assets – Beginning of Year	2,474,083	2,667,343
<b>NET ASSETS – END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$2,772,216</b>	<b>\$2,474,083</b>



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