Dear friend,

As we look forward to another year of serving Akron’s immigrant community, we reflect on the triumphs and the challenges of 2018. In September 2018, the lowest cap on refugee admissions in four decades was announced, with only 25,000 individuals to arrive as refugees during the 2019 fiscal year. In addition, two of ICE’s largest crackdowns at U.S. job sites in nearly a decade occurred within a 90-minute drive of Akron at Corso’s Garden Center in Sandusky and at the Fresh Mark meatpacking location in Salem, Ohio—between Canton and Youngstown—in June of 2018. The Salem raid, which resulted in the arrest of 146 undocumented workers, primarily from Guatemala, surpassed the roughly 120 arrests made in Sandusky.

IIA remained stalwart in our mission in 2018 and celebrated some key accomplishments. We moved to our new location at 20 S. Olive Street in the North Hill community and inside the Summa St. Thomas Campus in October of 2018. In addition to resettling over 100 refugees from 6 countries, we assisted 501 refugees in acquiring the skills they need to integrate into American society, such as job skills, financial literacy, citizenship, and English as a second language. We were also able to provide immigration legal services to 1,390 immigrants and did our part to support raids victims in family reunification services, legal intakes, and pro bono referrals, direct representation, and know your rights presentations. Finally, we assisted our community partners in providing language access to 5,464 individuals.

Our goal is to create a welcoming environment for those born outside the United States so that they can thrive and succeed in our community. Our success in achieving this goal is made possible through your contributions of volunteer time, money and support. We greatly appreciate your generosity and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Warmest wishes,

Madhu Sharma
Executive Director, International Institute of Akron
### Finances

**Revenue**

- Federal Program Revenue: $1,064,329
- Fees for Service: $688,639
- In-kind Contributions: $266,610
- Foundation Grant Revenue: $252,781
- Contributions: $48,136
- Investment Income: $8,081

**Total Revenue:** $2,328,576

### Expenses

- Program Services: $2,184,441
- Supporting Services: $120,474
- Other: $43,810

**Total Expenses:** $2,348,725
Immigration Legal Services
Citizenship Services: 323
Intakes, Consultations, & Pro Se Representation: 1,390
Applications for Permanent Residency: 141
Removal Defense, Bond Representation, Crime Victim Assistance, & Other: 148

Interpreting & Translation
Interpreting by Software: 5,464
Interpreting by Fax: 3,950
Translation Requests: 322
Our Impact

Employment
Clients: 215
Employers: 21
New Arrivals: 49
Secondary Resettlement & Re-enrollees: 78
Unfunded: 16

Education
ESOL: 318
Financial Literacy: 40
Job Skills: 52
Life Skills: 65
Citizenships: 26
Total: 501 students

Volunteering
Volunteers: 87
Hours: 8,860
Refugee Resettlement

I2A resettled 139 refugees from 6 countries

- Afghanistan: 24
- Bhutan: 39
- Burma: 6
- Liberia: 2
- Democratic Republic of the Congo: 65
- Pakistan: 3
Social Media

IIA has 4,732 followers across 3 platforms

International Institute of Akron
3,318 followers

@iiakron
960 followers

@iiofakron
454 followers