



New Jersey Consortium for Immigrant Children

Immigrant Youth Advocates Fellowship

ABOUT NJCIC

The New Jersey Consortium for Immigrant Children (NJCIC) is a coalition of attorneys, healthcare professionals, community-based organizations, and educators dedicated to working with immigrant children and youth. Our mission is to seek lawful status for immigrant youth and advocate for system-wide change in education, access to justice, and health equity. We aim to build a welcoming and inclusive New Jersey for all children.

IMMIGRANT YOUTH ADVOCATES FELLOWSHIP

Immigrant Youth Advocates (formerly known as the *Mental Health Advocates*) is NJCIC's leadership development and narrative change program. It brings together first- and second-generation immigrants from high school to early twenties to start conversations in their communities on issues affecting mental health and overall wellbeing. NJCIC aims to create a safe space for immigrant youth to explore all the intricacies of the immigrant experience.

The Immigrant Youth Advocates work includes:

- [*Migrants with Migraines*](#): A regular youth-led **podcast**, planned, recorded, edited and released by the advocates on all major podcast platforms.
- **Social media presence** @migrantswithmigraines on IG and TikTok.
- **Workshops** -Learn new skills, understand political processes and policy frameworks, and engage in media advocacy
- **Policy Advocacy**: Advocating for education, access to justice, and health equity.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- 1st generation (foreign born) or 2nd generation (born to at least 1 immigrant parent)
- Passion for advocating for immigrant children and youth rights
- Current New Jersey resident
- Age between 17-24
- Stipend (\$750) Available after successful completion of each session

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Attend at least one (1) in person meeting / group retreat
- Attendance of virtual workshop sessions and check in meetings with advocates group
- Hybrid sessions available
- Commitment of at least two consecutive semesters

HOW TO APPLY

We are accepting applications for Fall 2023. You can apply [here](#). Further questions can be directed to Lady Jimenez Torres at ljtorres@njcic.org.

NJCIC provides equal opportunity and does not discriminate on any basis.