

# Social Witness and Restorative Justice Committee: **List of Immigration Resources**

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## Immigrant Support within the PC(USA)

The PC(USA) has provided a denominational [list of resources](#) titled “Immigration, Asylum, Refugee and Immigrant Defense Resources” that is a great place to start!

Their Manager of Immigration Advocacy, Amanda Craft, also mentioned that they have resources on:

- Understanding public policy
- Training on Implicit bias: Recommends Harvard [Link](#) to test on implicit bias (north American experience focused)
- Highlighted: [Family Care Plan](#) and [Sanctuary](#) and [Welcome and the law](#), listed in the [Resources](#)

Immigration Issues [Webpage](#):

- Amanda Craft. Manager, Immigration Advocacy. [amanda.craft@pcusa.org](mailto:amanda.craft@pcusa.org)
- Teresa Waggener. Immigration Attorney. [teresa.waggener@pcusa.org](mailto:teresa.waggener@pcusa.org)

## Immigrant organizations: New Jersey

NJ - Office of New Americans

<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/njnewamericans/>

I-RISE (Interfaith Refugee Immigrant Services and Empowerment):

<https://interfaithrise.org/>

- I-RISE provides services to refugees and immigrants throughout Central and Southern New Jersey, including housing, English language training, and healthcare services.
- Highland Park Office: 19 S. 2nd Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904  
732-357-0590
- I-RISE South Office: 2384 E. Landis Ave, Vineland, NJ 08361  
732-357-0590  
[info@interfaithrise.org](mailto:info@interfaithrise.org)
- Trenton Office: Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1140 Greenwood Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08609

NJ Alliance for Immigrant Justice: [https://www.njimmigrantjustice.org/about\\_us](https://www.njimmigrantjustice.org/about_us)

- “NJAIJ is the largest immigration coalition in the state, comprised of groups that span labor, faith, policy, community-based, and grassroots organizations.”

Latin American Legal Defense and Education Fund (LALDEF) <https://laldef.org/>

- LALDEF promotes the rights of all immigrants (with a focus on the Latin American community in the Mercer County area); facilitates access to health care, education and legal representation; advocates for the integration of immigrants; and fosters intercultural communication to strengthen our communities. Rev. Karen Hernandez-Granzen is on the board.
- 714-716 S Clinton Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08611  
(609) 688-0881 | [info@laldef.org](mailto:info@laldef.org)

ACLU NJ Legal Help: <https://www.aclu-nj.org/en/seeking-legal-help-aclu>

- You can also mail your request to:  
Intake Mail Manager  
ACLU-NJ  
P.O. Box 32159  
Newark, NJ 07102

## Immigrant organizations: National

USCRI - U.S Committee for Refugees and Immigrants: <https://refugees.org/>

- USCRI offers pro bono legal services, refugee services, and policy and advocacy work across the United States.

Interfaith Immigration Coalition: <https://www.interfaithimmigration.org/>

- “The Interfaith Immigration Coalition (IIC) is a partnership of faith-based organizations committed to enacting fair and humane immigration reform that reflects our mandate to welcome the stranger and treat all human beings with dignity and respect. Coalition members work together to advocate for just and equitable immigration policies, educate faith communities, and serve immigrant populations around the country.”

CLINIC - Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc: <https://www.cliniclegal.org/>

- “CLINIC provides training and support to a dedicated network of more than 400 Catholic and community-based immigration law providers in 49 states. By supporting approximately 3,000 network employees with diverse and in-depth training, real-time updates and best practices, CLINIC ultimately serves nearly 500,000 immigrants a year, making it the largest nonprofit immigration law organization in the country.”

PAIR – Political Asylum/Immigration Representation: <https://www.pairproject.org/>

- PAIR provides free immigration legal services to indigent asylum seekers and
- detained immigrants, assuring fairness and access to justice.

iMMi: <https://www.immi.org/en>

- iMMi provides free and simple legal information to immigrants, including through a quiz that directs immigrants to the paths and benefits available to them.

Airport Lawyer: <https://www.airportlawyer.org/>

- Airport Lawyer is an organization of attorneys providing services to immigrants navigating airports.

## Know Your Rights (KYR)

NJ - Office of New Americans - KYR

<https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/njnewamericans/newcomers/rights/>

From the ACLU: [“What to Do if You’re Approached by Immigration Officials in New Jersey”](#)

- Video format in multiple languages: <https://www.aclumaine.org/en/know-your-rights/know-your-rights-video-series-interacting-immigration-agents>

USCRI also has a detailed Know Your Rights guide in multiple languages:

- <https://refugees.org/KnowYourRights/>

[NJAIJ KYR](#) (NJ Alliance for Immigrant Justice) has Know Your Rights guides specifically for New Jersey:

- <https://www.njimmigrantjustice.org/KYR>

Muslims for Just Futures provides a Know Your Rights poster in multiple languages that can be placed at doors and entrances:

- <https://www.muslimsforjustfutures.org/blog/immigrationkyr>

## Legal Help for Non-Profits, Formerly Protected Spaces, & Allies:

The National Immigration Law Center has a fact sheet that describes what the protected areas policy was before Trump rescinded it, what laws apply to those areas now, and what steps advocates and communities can take to support immigrants in continuing to access critical community spaces and services:

- <https://www.nilc.org/resources/factsheet-trumps-rescission-of-protected-areas-policies-undermines-safety-for-all/>

Immigration Legal Resource Center (ILRC) provides training resources:

- <https://store.ilrc.org/immigration-know-your-rights-and-advocate-training>

Legal Advice for Non-Profits in New Jersey:

- <https://files.constantcontact.com/7ec42e2e001/f93460e8-7870-4300-9ca4-65851da427cc.pdf>

Read the NJ Division on Civil Rights’ Statement:

- <https://www.njoag.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Immigrant-Rights-Statement.pdf>

Get the playbook on how to defend undocumented neighbors and recruit others to join the cause: <https://defendandrecruit.org/>

Read the manual on immigrant rights & protection: <https://maketheroadny.org/we-protect-us/>

- “This manual contains three different sections that address: (1) your rights when dealing with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and how to get prepared; (2) steps to take and information to know when supporting an individual or family after an ICE raid, and (3) strategies for organization around an individual case in your community.

Write legislators to pass the immigrant trust act: <https://action.aclu.org/send-message/nj-pass-the-immigrant-trust-act>

For churches, read up on what it means to be a sanctuary space:

- [ACLU on sanctuary](#)
- [Sanctuary Toolkit](#)