



Immigrant Hope Center Start-Up Grant

Immigrant Hope (IH) is a ministry of the Evangelical Free Church of America with the mission to equip churches to provide immigrants with the hope of the gospel, help finding a pathway to legal residency, and a home in a church that cares for them.

Project Summary: Immigrant-led churches can offer sustainable, affordable immigration legal aid to their communities through Immigrant Hope. However, these churches may need assistance to raise the initial funds needed to launch the project. This grant would provide the seed funds needed to start an Immigrant Hope program in an otherwise-viable immigrant-led church.

Funding Available: \$15,000

Requirements:

- At least one-third of the church's staff and lay leadership (elders, ministry directors, etc.) are first- or second-generation immigrants.
- The church commits to provide office space for the Immigrant Hope center.
- The church completes the Immigrant Hope Site Application and an interview with an Immigrant Hope team member to demonstrate community need, alignment, viability, and sustainability.

Objectives:

- Open a sustainable Immigrant Hope immigration legal aid clinic in an immigrant-led church within 2 years of the grant.
- Build the program to represent 50 low-income clients per year within 3 years of operation.
- Integrate the center's leaders into the Immigrant Hope network community.

Fund Utilization:

- Training and legal materials
- Office renovation
- Purchasing equipment and office supplies
- Insurance premiums
- Case management software fees
- IH National membership fees
- Other expenses related to the launch and operation of the center

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Additional information about our Immigrant Hope Centers can be found at:

<https://www.immigranthope.org>