Lawyers for the Movement

WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1971, the National Immigration Project works to defend and advance the rights of all people in the United States, regardless of immigration status.

We are a membership organization of attorneys, advocates, and community members working toward a compassionate and humane immigration system. We litigate, advocate, educate, and build bridges across movements to ensure that those most impacted by the immigration and criminal systems are uplifted and supported.



OUR VISION

We envision a world where everyone can live freely and flourish without fearing for their lives, health, security, or their ability to remain where they are. We envision a world where freedom of movement is welcomed and not feared, and where systems of support that honor the experience of migration replace our current policies of enforcement, detention, incarceration, and criminalization.

OUR MEMBERSHIP

2,000+

members in all 50 U.S. states and Puerto Rico

80+

grassroots and legal organizations

50+

law firms

30

law school clinics

WHAT WE DO

Bring national litigation to challenge harmful immigration policies and mass enforcement actions, and to keep families and communities together. The National Immigration Project is on the front lines fighting on behalf of our communities, from children to workers, and from people wrongfully detained to those suffering abuse in detention at the hands of the government.

Set up regional rapid response hubs that bring together lawyers, organizers, interpreters, and community members to support people subjected to mass enforcement actions, especially in under-resourced regions most likely to be targets

Train thousands of attorneys across the country and provide timely legal and policy expertise to ensure immigrants have access to the highest-quality legal representation

Educate community members on how to protect themselves and their loved ones through Know Your Rights presentations and community resources

Advocate for affirmative laws and policies that protect immigrants and their ability to thrive and contribute in their communities

BUILT FOR THIS MOMENT

The National Immigration Project's key strengths make us an essential player in the fight for immigrant justice:

- Deep expertise in immigration law and policy and in federal litigation
- Large and diverse membership, which lets us mobilize attorneys and advocates in the event of sudden changes in law and policy
- Responsiveness to rapidly evolving needs on the ground in targeted communities thanks to our grassroots partners
- Ability to pivot quickly and respond effectively to emerging threats and opportunities
- Commitment to underserved communities and geographic areas

RAPID RESPONSE AT A GLANCE

15k+
advocates and community
members registered for our
community defender trainings
since December 2024

attorneys and legal representatives registered for our trainings so far in 2025

400+
people active in
our regional rapid
response working
groups

TESTIMONIALS

"[The National Immigration Project] pursues the tough cases, bringing sophisticated litigation skills and training to a core of advocates on the front lines. I like that they do a lot with a little. Especially these last few years, they seem to be the tip of the spear pushing back against cruel and illegal immigration policies."

- National Immigration Project Supporter

"The National Immigration Project plays a vital role in our movement ecosystem through supporting frontline groups with critical legal resources, a network of immigration lawyers, and spaces for shared analysis and practice.... [Its] leadership is responsive and works well with movement groups. They recognize the role of lawyers as alongside organizers and in service of impacted communities. We are grateful for... their attention to ensuring that ... communities on the margins... are included in the broader immigration justice movement."

- National Immigration Project Member

SUPPORT OUR WORK

You can give immigrant communities hope for a brighter, safer, more inclusive future.



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