

# IMMIGRANT JUSTICE CORPS FACT SHEET



## THE STATE OF IMMIGRATION REPRESENTATION

**63%**

Immigrants in removal proceedings without counsel.

**+650,000**

Cases pending in immigration courts nationwide and rising.

**6X**

An immigrant who has representation is six times more likely to have a successful outcome.

- Millions of immigrants including asylum seekers, long term residents and minor children are at risk of deportation.
- Many are eligible for immigration benefits under U.S. immigration law.
- Many are low-income immigrants who cannot afford counsel.
- There is no right to free legal representation in immigration court.
- Detained immigrants who represent themselves have a 3% chance of success.

## OUR IMPACT IN THREE YEARS

**38,659 INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED**

Including U.S. citizens and Lawful Permanent Resident spouses, parents and children.

**14,294**

Immigration matters handled by Fellows.

**93%**

Success rate on cases adjudicated.

**3,536**

Waiver of application fees filed by Community Fellows.

**\$1,106,600**

Saved for low-income immigrants who cannot afford to pay application fees.

## OUR FELLOWS

**141**

Justice Fellows (lawyers) and Community Fellows (college graduates) trained to provide legal services.

**50**

Justice Fellows have graduated from the fellowship program.

**92%**

Graduated Justice Fellows practicing in the immigration field.

**25%**

Graduated Community Fellows enrolled in law school.

**77 FELLOWS IN THE FIELD**

57 Justice Fellows and 20 Community Fellows.

**39 HOST ORGANIZATIONS**

Comprised of – not-for-profit legal services providers and community based organizations in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Texas.