



LIVES REIMAGINED

ANNUAL REPORT
FY 2020



USCRI'S MISSION

To protect the rights and address the needs of persons in forced or voluntary migration worldwide and support their transition to a dignified life.

From USCRI's President and CEO



Dear friends,

Nelson Mandela said, “The power of imagination created the illusion that my vision went much farther than the naked eye could actually see.” Looking back at 2020, what our eyes actually saw was a world where the sheer numbers of displaced people fleeing violence, poverty and oppression overwhelmed our capacity to comprehend the misery of so many. In the face of so much despair, countries around the world were shutting their doors to those seeking sanctuary in a global movement of xenophobia that saw the stranger as a threat.

In our own country, the U.S. government reduced the refugee admissions ceiling to a historic low of 15,000—stranding tens of thousands of people who would normally be offered a safe future in America. Anti-immigrant policies were accompanied by an anti-immigrant narrative that belied our history as a nation built by immigrants.

A global pandemic seemed like the final blow.

Yet, the power of our imagination let us see beyond the naked eye—to put back together what was torn apart one life at a time. USCRI staff and partners responded to these new challenges with imagination and resilience. Each one of our clients—refugees, unaccompanied migrant children and survivors of human trafficking—were served in creative and resourceful ways. The pandemic forced us to re-think our service delivery models and quickly adapt to the new environment.

America has always stood front and center as the country where lives could be reimagined. Our history is full of both heroes and ordinary people who transformed their lives and, in turn, the lives of their children, their communities and this country.

Every migration journey undertaken by our clients is as unique as the life left behind. Yet here, in the U.S., with the help of USCRI, our donors, our partners and our communities, their lives can be reimagined in a myriad of possibilities.

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President and CEO



We stepped up our work on Capitol Hill in response to the Administration's anti-immigrant stance. We built strategic relationships in Congress and provided technical expertise for drafting legislation. As the pandemic set in, we advocated for increased funding for refugees and survivors of trafficking and fought hard for justice for unaccompanied children.



USCRI led the charge for the safety and welfare of unaccompanied migrant children. If a child crossed the border alone or was separated from their family, we were there to help. First, we made sure that each child had a safe and stable place to live. Then we helped them enroll in school, find an attorney, learn their rights, and plead their case in court. And we continuously advocated in the halls of power for the humane and legal treatment of migrant children.



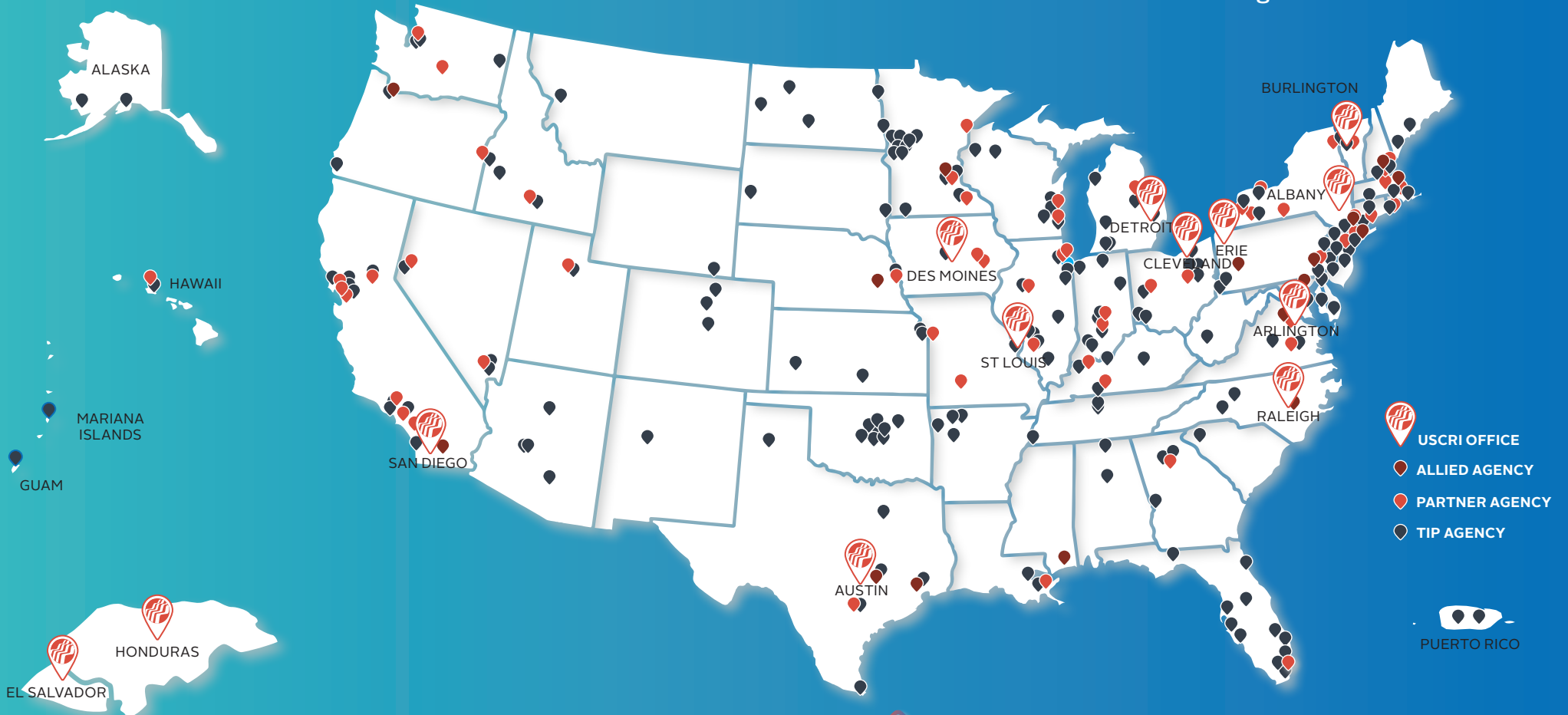
USCRI's legal team provided low-cost or free legal assistance to 1,866 refugees and immigrants. We taught people about their rights if they are stopped by the police or ICE. We made sure that children had an advocate by their side in court. And we helped dozens of people joyfully become U.S. citizens.



We ensured that over 6,000 refugees had access to health care and a clear understanding of how and when to seek medical care. This has been especially critical this year due to the pandemic.



We helped nearly 1,500 survivors of human trafficking build new lives. Trafficking survivors were provided with health care, case management, and assistance with basic needs such as housing, food, and clothing—so they could focus on rebuilding their lives.



Our office in El Salvador provided dozens of young people with job training, psychological counseling, legal assistance, and educational opportunities. We also provided food and cash assistance to vulnerable Salvadorian families affected by COVID-19 and tropical storms Amanda and Cristóbal.



We welcomed 2,945 people to their new homes in communities all across the United States. The refugees we served came from 31 different countries, most commonly Afghanistan, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Burma, Iraq, and Ukraine.

YOUR SUPPORT MEANS THE WORLD TO US

Friends of USCRI stepped up to help during a challenging year. USCRI is grateful to the many additional donors who have contributed to our efforts this year. We cannot do this important work without the support of thousands of individuals who believe in our mission.

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A refugee family resettled by USCRI in the Albany, NY area.



New neighbors from Honduras resettled by our Detroit, MI office.



Sisters Furaha and Mukanoheli, originally from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, work and learn side by side in our FARM (Fostering Agriculture among Refugee Mentees) program.

VOYAGERS

American Family Insurance
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The Arroyo Cafe Holiday Radio Show
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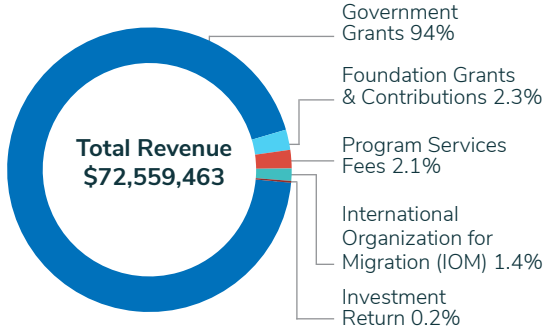
USCRI greatly appreciates the support it receives from a number of federal, state and city agencies across the U.S. that believe in our mission and work.

USCRI also would like to thank PwC for their generous support in designing our new website.

**Donations can be mailed to us or you can donate online at refugees.org/donate.
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UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

For the Year Ending September 30, 2020



MAJOR PROGRAMS

Refugee Services Division	\$21,402,403
Medical Replacement Designee	\$19,735,321
Center for Refugee & Immigrant Children	\$19,173,946
Des Moines Programs	\$1,175,960
Raleigh Programs	\$1,646,356
Vermont Programs	\$1,516,077
Erie Programs	\$1,872,449
Albany Programs	\$1,199,470
Cleveland Programs	\$1,173,275
Dearborn Programs	\$797,799
IOM	\$309,723
Other Programs	\$1,000,649
Total Program Expenses	\$71,003,427

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$2,858,525
Other Current Liabilities	\$11,266,761
Non Current Liabilities	\$364,795
Net Assets	\$14,238,570
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$28,728,651

ASSETS

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$14,865,523
Grants Receivable	\$6,386,949
Accounts Receivable, net	\$393,127
Prepaid Expenses	\$283,178
Advances	\$99,517
Investments	\$6,161,451
Property & Equipment, net	\$538,906
Total Assets	\$28,728,651



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