Mayo Bowser is a friend of immigrants. Let’s all work together to provide the most security possible for our DC neighbors and to pressure Congress to provide pathways to citizenship for our Dreamers, for our TPS holders, for our law-abiding, longstanding DC residents.

**Money Invested:**
$1,900,000 over FY 17, FY 18, and FY 19.

**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS SESSIONS**
- **AT LEAST** 67 Know Your Rights Sessions
- **2,740** Individuals Touched Through Know Your Rights Sessions, Consultations, and Public Benefit Cases

**DIRECT LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDED**
- **572** Ongoing Cases Serviced Through IJLS
- **92** Asylum cases opened
- **333** Attorneys trained

Mayor Bowser has hosted events such as calls and workshops at churches, to provide information and resources to our immigrant neighbors and to link them with lawyers and agencies that can help.

**Leadership and Advocacy**

Mayor Bowser recognizes that our immigration system is broken, and federal officials have engaged in abusive tactics. She has called on the Trump Administration to extend TPS for various nationalities, such as Salvadorans, Hondurans, and Haitians, as well as spearheaded pro-immigrant resolutions through the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

**BENEFITS**

DC offers Limited Purpose Driver’s Licenses to all Washingtonians, regardless of citizenship status.

Additionally, DC extends DC-funded social services - including healthcare - equally to all DC residents, regardless of citizenship status. Through the DC Healthcare Alliance and the Immigrant Children’s Program, DC ensures all Washingtonians have access to healthcare and other benefits.

**GRANTS**

Grants are issues to community groups so that immigrant community organizations can help deliver services and support language lines.
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EDUCATION

District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) reminds all students and families that DC schools are open to all residents. This guidance reaffirms that public education is open to all, regardless of citizenship or immigration status, and that families’ citizenship information is secure with DCPS.

POLICING

DC remains committed to ensuring that all Washingtonians can use city services without fear. MPD policy prohibits MPD officers from asking immigration status. To report crimes in progress, call 911. Callers may report hate crimes anonymously to the Hate Crimes Hotline at 202-727-0500. Additionally, MPD has a Special Liaison Branch that serves the African, Asian, Latino, and religious minority communities, among others.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

The Department of Corrections does not hold persons past their scheduled release time, even if ICE is interested in the person.

LANGUAGE ACCESS

Since 2004, the Office of Human Rights has worked diligently to ensure that DC is accessible and welcoming to all – regardless of English fluency.

PHONE NUMBERS FOR CITY SERVICES AND SUPPORT

The following offices can connect residents to additional resources and supports:

- Mayor’s Office on Latino Affairs (MOLA) - (202) 671-2825
- Mayor’s Office on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA) - (202) 727-3120
- Mayor’s Office on African Affairs (MOAA) - (202) 727-5634
- Mayor’s Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) - (202) 442-8150

FY 2018 Immigration Justice Legal Services (IJLS) Awardees

1. African Communities Together (ACT)
   http://www.africans.us/

2. DC Affordable Law Firm
   c/o Arent Fox
   http://dcaffordablelaw.org/

   Subgrantee: CARECEN - DC
   http://carecendc.org/

3. Asian/Pacific Islander Violence Resource Project (DVRP)
   https://dvrp.org/

4. Ayuda
   https://ayuda.com/

5. Briya Public Charter School
   https://www.briya.org/

   https://catholiccharitiesdc.org/

7. Kids in Need of Defense (KIND, Inc.)
   https://supportkind.org/

8. Latin American Youth Center (LAYC-DC)
   http://www.layc-dc.org/

   https://www.tassc.org/

10. Whitman-Walker Health
    https://www.whitman-walker.org/

For more information, visit: https://dc.gov/immigration-resources