



INTERFAITH COMMUNITY FOR DETAINED IMMIGRANTS

MISSION: ICDI accompanies immigrants in detention and upon release, amplifies their voices and advocates for justice.

VISION: We envision and advocate for an end to detention and other unjust immigration policies. We envision a just society in which everyone, regardless of national origin, has basic human rights including livelihood, family unity, self-determination, and physical and emotional safety.

VALUES:

- **Self-Determination-** All people have the right to self-determination, including the right to migrate and the right to stay in safety.
- **Solidarity-** Effective solidarity is compassionate collaboration through humility, listening and reflection.
- **Systemic Justice-** A just system is based on standards of equity and inclusion, and uplifts the dignity and identities of all people.



COVID-19 CHANGES

During the pandemic, most of our programs have had to adapt to an online environment. However, our Hotline and Case Management services persist in person. You can donate to our COVID-19 Mutual Aid Fund online.



PEACE POLE

Chalice House, a project from our housing program, currently houses a migrant family. This is the Peace Pole, decorated with positive and welcoming messages, created together by volunteers and the family.

PROGRAMS

HARBOR HOSPITALITY

Harbor Hospitality is ICDI's community-based housing and case management program. For the last 8 years, ICDI has coordinated with diverse bodies of communities to offer housing, financial assistance, and case management to those who would have otherwise been detained in cruel and traumatizing conditions.

JAIL VISITATION

ICDI's jail visitation program provides spiritual and material support to immigrants in ICE detention through both in-person visitation, video visitation, and letter writing. Weekly \$10 commissary checks are deposited into accounts, which are often used to purchase soap or toothpaste, supplementary food like ramen noodles, or letters and stamps or phone time to loved ones.

COURT WATCH

Court Watch volunteers serve as observers to provide accompaniment to immigrants and accountability in the Immigration Court system to let those involved know that people are watching. It is our goal that through monitoring and documenting we can bring transparency to the immigration system and support the urgent need for more just immigration policies.

HOTLINE AND CITA

Hotline and CITA programs support the overall well-being of asylum seekers through accompaniment, calls to loved ones abroad, warm meals, weather-appropriate clothing, interpretation services, transportation assistance, and referrals to local organizations in final destinations. We accompany recently-arrived asylum seekers in the Chicagoland area, whether they are released from detention here, or arrive by bus and have a Chicago layover or final destination.

MIGRANT CHILDREN'S VISITATION

We visit and organize culturally relevant events for migrant children from around the world who have been apprehended by the US government for crossing the border, and are awaiting reunification with family members.

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