

# IMPACT *REPORT*

*Working Alongside Immigrant Children & Adults*

## Mom and Child Are Thriving...Thanks to **YOUR** gift!

**After coming to the U.S., Eleanor was hoping for a better life. Now she has the support she and her child need!**

CAIR Coalition's social services team received a referral for a client expecting her first child at the end of last year.

Eleanor's misread ultrasound had led to a two-month due date discrepancy.

This meant, she had less than a month to prepare for her child without being employed and with no support from her family!

Your gift helped CAIR Coalition's social service team connect Eleanor with community resources for her and her baby!

Thanks to generous people like you, Eleanor received diapers, food, clothing, and a car seat-stroller combination to transport her baby safely.

**Can you believe the impact your gift has made?!**

Because you gave so generously, Eleanor received parental classes to better advocate for care, created

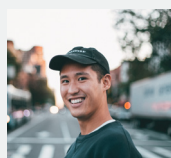


a birthing plan, and ensured she had medical insurance to cover the delivery. As a result, both Eleanor and her child are thriving.

Thank you for caring about the health and safety of Eleanor and her baby!

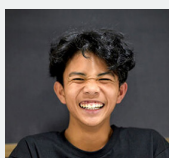
***YOUR generous gift gives people like Eleanor the tools and support she needs to take care of her baby!***

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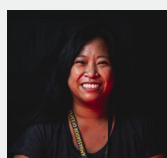
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**THANK YOU**  
This *Impact Report* features stories of how your generosity helped immigrant children and adults!

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***Because of you, Luis has  
a hopeful future with  
his partner and child!***

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## **Because of YOUR Support, Luis Has a Bright Future!**

**Scared for his life, Luis left Guatemala and now he has a bright future with his family!**

In 2015 Luis came to the U.S. fleeing abusive and neglectful treatment at the hands of his father as well as death threats and recruitment efforts from a violent gang.

He entered the U.S. as an unaccompanied minor when he was 17. He was then detained in Virginia and released shortly thereafter to his mother, who also lived in Virginia.

Even after Luis' immigration application was approved, he needed to wait several years before applying to become a permanent resident.

But then, tragedy struck. When he was 19, Luis was the victim of a vicious stabbing that left him hospitalized and in bed for months—he still suffers physical problems due to the attack.

Following this attack, Luis began to struggle with his mental health and, as a result, had several run-ins with the police that led to convictions.

**But, because of your support, Luis was able to get the help he needed from the CAIR Coalition team. He is now working full time and supporting his partner and their two-year-old son.**

When a visa became available, Luis' criminal history significantly complicated his application to adjust his status.

CAIR Coalition stepped in and worked quickly to submit requests for prosecutorial discretion to prevent his detention.

At a hearing in the summer of 2022, an immigration judge granted Luis' application for legal permanent residence.

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***Your generosity has allowed CAIR  
Coalition to work alongside Luis.  
Thank you for helping us advocate  
for unaccompanied minors!***

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## From Alone to Having a Family ...YOUR Gift Helped Make that Happen!

**After losing his mom, Jeronimo came to the U.S. to find his uncle.**

Every day, we see the victories that our community makes possible. Generous friends like you helped Jeronimo to complete the first phase of his journey to achieve permanent immigration status in the United States!

Jeronimo did not have a happy childhood. His father abandoned him, and his mother died several years ago.

Jeronimo knew he needed a caring adult to help him complete his education and grow up safely, so he came to D.C. to reunite with his uncle, Raul, with whom he had lived before his mother died.

After CAIR Coalition staff met Jeronimo in a government shelter, his case was referred to attorneys at Baker Botts.

Jeronimo, Raul, and his attorneys worked together to file a lawsuit in D.C. family court to award Raul custody of Jeronimo.

Following a successful custody hearing, Jeronimo, Raul, and the team can now take the next step in securing lawful permanent residency for Jeronimo.

**Because of our community of supporters, young people like Jeronimo can get the legal and social services that they need.**

*Your gift helped  
Jeronimo find  
his family.*



**In 2022, Pro Bono Partners  
donated more than 16,600  
hours valued at more than  
\$12.2 Million!**

## More About CAIR Coalition's Programs

### DETAINED CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

The Detained Children's Program provides legal services to unaccompanied children detained by the Office of Refugee Resettlement in Virginia and Maryland and those released locally to a sponsor in Virginia, Maryland, and D.C.

### DETAINED ADULT PROGRAM

The Detained Adult Program works with hundreds of DMV residents detained and at risk of deportation. DAP provides information, legal support, and representation through trauma-sensitive, client-centered services.

### IMMIGRATION IMPACT LAB

The Immigration Impact Lab uses impact litigation to challenge barriers to asylum, minimize the immigration consequences of criminal convictions, and protect due process rights for detained children and adults.

### SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM

The Social Services Program endeavors to provide a holistic service model that addresses our client's legal and social services needs. From addressing immediate needs—such as housing, food, and clothing, and referrals to medical, mental health, and educational support services.

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LEARN MORE!**



TURN OVER TO SEE MORE OF YOUR GIFT'S IMPACT

# Glenda Continues Her Fight for Asylum. YOU Made that Possible!

**Your gift made it possible for Glenda and her kids to seek asylum.**

Glenda survived horrific abuse at the hands of the father of her child.

Glenda sought asylum protection in the United States for herself and her two children to avoid going back to Honduras.

Your generosity allowed Glenda to work with CAIR Coalition's legal team.

For Glenda and her children, access to representation has given them the opportunity to continue fighting for asylum.

Thanks to the support from friends like you, our attorneys are there to support Glenda as she continues her fight for asylum.



***Because of your support, CAIR Coalition is working with Glenda to help her seek asylum protection for survivors of gender-based violence.***

*To protect the privacy of the people we work with, photos, names and other identifying information have been changed.*

## Thanks to Our Volunteers and Pro Bono Partners

In 2022, more than 250 volunteers staffed our free Detention Hotline and completed translation and interpretation requests. Meanwhile, pro bono partners donated more than 16,000 hours, helping CAIR Coalition expand our reach. CAIR Coalition partners with law firms, corporate legal departments, and law school clinics to leverage the work of staff and volunteers. Together, we can provide tens of thousands of hours of free legal assistance to immigrants being held in detention facilities in the Capital region and beyond!

### Volunteer Spotlight

We'd like to recognize our partnership with the International Refugee Assistance Project from American University's Washington College of Law.

Four students volunteered with CAIR Coalition to provide interpretation services and connect immigrants who are detained with legal services through the detention hotline.

The two volunteer interpreters, Genesis and Daniel interpreted over 20 phone calls for our staff and their clients!

***Thank you Genesis, Daniel, Madiha, and Maggie for volunteering with us last semester.***

### Pro Bono Partner Spotlight

Despite being a solo practitioner and a recent law school graduate, Tamber Hilton has been a committed and powerful advocate for immigrant children.

Most recently, Tamber accepted a pro bono case and is working alongside two teenage brothers from Honduras who live in Maryland.

***CAIR Coalition deeply values Tamber's commitment to serving others and working alongside immigrants.***

We look forward to her continued involvement and all the meaningful ways that she will impact the lives of others in her community.

# Your Gift Made an Impact in 2022 - THANK YOU!



## KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

**2,000** children and adults received "Know Your Rights" presentations.



## DETENTION HOTLINE CALLS

**5,000** detention hotline calls answered.



## TRANSLATION & INTERPRETATION SERVICES

**600** translation and interpretation requests were completed.



## DIRECT LEGAL REPRESENTATION

**450** children and adults received legal representation.



## CONNECTED TO ESSENTIAL SERVICES

**250** immigrants connected to food provisions, housing assistance, and more!



## SAFEGUARD INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM

**20** habeas cases have been litigated for children and adults challenging their prolonged detention.

## 2022 Highlights



Among the first of their kind, our Universal Representation programs expanded to offer free legal services to detained immigrants from the entire state of Maryland. In addition, as Maryland residents are transferred to remote detention facilities in Georgia and Pennsylvania, our Detained Adult Program expanded jail visits to support them.



The Immigration Impact Lab advocated and succeeded in making changes to national records request policies, allowing noncitizens and their legal counsel to request documents in person or by email, outside of the Freedom of Information Act process, for the first time. This helps ensure that individuals can access records critical to their immigration case.



The Legal Advisory Committee mobilized their firms and colleagues to help raise more than \$100,000, including in matching funds, towards the Spring for Justice Campaign! Contributions helped enable the Immigration Impact Lab's efforts to expand beyond the 4th Circuit!



Pro bono attorneys from more than 70 pro bono partner organizations represented clients in over 200 cases, including working alongside a group of Afghan adults- whom our government evacuated- to fight for their release from immigration detention.

# A Special THANK YOU to All Our Partners!

## Defenders of Dignity

*We are humbled by the generosity of the CAIR Coalition community whose philanthropic commitment allows us to remain flexible and respond to the emerging needs of immigrant communities. In 2022, nearly 1,000 households, law firms, corporations, congregations, and foundations defend the rights of immigrants.*

**CAIR Coalition would like to especially recognize the donors whose contributions totaled \$1,000 and above last year. Thank you for your generosity!**

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