



Galveston-Houston Immigrant
Representation Project



IMPACT



REPORT



2023-2024

4 YEARS ADVOCATING FOR IMMIGRANT JUSTICE

MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP

Dear GHIRP Family, Friends, and Immigrant Advocates,

As we reflect on the past year, it is with great pride and gratitude that we present Galveston-Houston Immigrant Representation Project's (GHIRP's) 2023-2024 Impact Report. Over the past four years, our remarkable achievements, growth, and commitment to immigrant rights have filled me with hope. The strength and resilience of our clients are the driving force behind GHIRP's relentless advocacy.

This report highlights our key accomplishments over the past year, from launching a Federal Litigation Program to tripling our legal services for immigrants in Galveston. Our team of 40 advocates serves our clients with compassion through holistic, zealous representation, and is committed to defending immigrant rights.

In the past year alone, the GHIRP team served 2,625 people from 45 countries and filed over 1,000 immigration applications. We represented 452 new clients, with 72% seeking humanitarian relief to access critical protections in the United States. We provided child-friendly legal services to nearly 1,500 detained immigrant children and youth, and our new Friend of Court ("attorney of the day") program assisted 465 individuals. Also, GHIRP supported over 450 individuals on their path to citizenship. Our reach is exponentially growing, and our impact is remarkable.

None of this would be possible without the unwavering support of our partners, donors, and individuals like you who believe in our mission and work alongside us to make it a reality.

We are committed to building on this momentum, expanding our impact, and rising to meet the many challenges that lie ahead. The immigrant rights movement is at a pivotal moment, and cohesive, firm advocacy is essential. Immigrants in our communities face growing challenges that demand tireless focus and determination. GHIRP will continue to move forward with fearless advocacy, adaptable strategies, and a steadfast commitment to justice for all. We must unite to amplify our clients' voices and promote a humane, accessible, and effective immigration system.

To our GHIRP family and friends, immigrant advocates, partners, sponsors, and donors, thank you for your ongoing support and trust. Together, we are creating lasting, meaningful changes in the lives of so many.

Thank you for being a part of the GHIRP family!

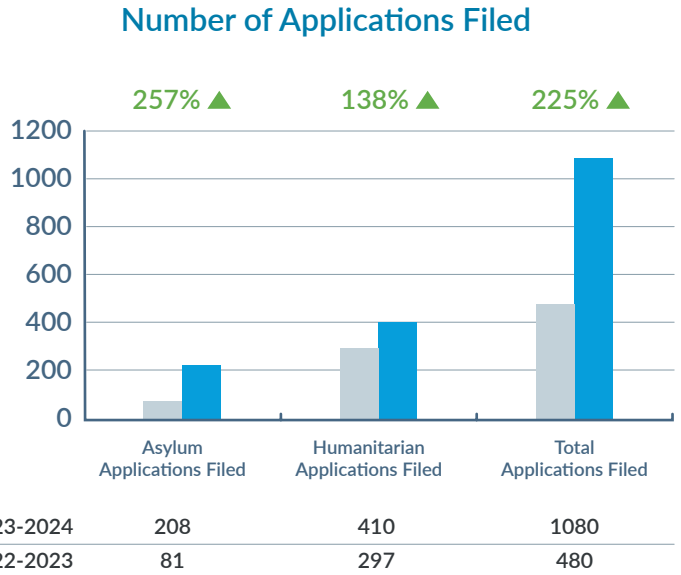


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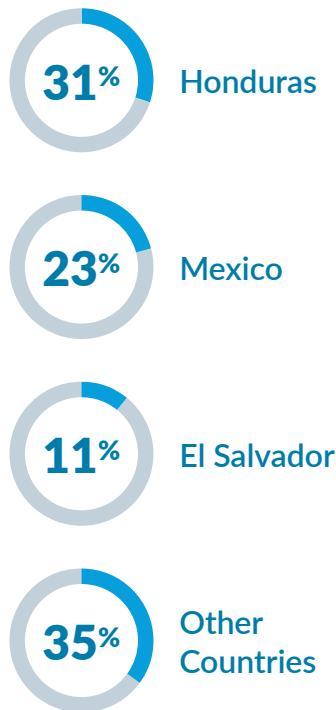
Chiqui Sanchez Kennedy
Executive Director

OUR KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS & IMPACT

GHIRP's efforts over the past year have made a significant impact, as our team provided **legal services to 2,625 individuals and filed over 1,000 applications on behalf of clients.** The organization continues to prioritize humanitarian relief, representing immigrants from **45 countries**, 72% of whom are seeking protection from violence, persecution, and other harm.



2,625 KNOW YOUR RIGHTS AND CONSULTATIONS PROVIDED



45
COUNTRIES REPRESENTED



Argentina, Afghanistan, Angola, Antigua & Barbuda, Bermuda, Bhutan, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Iraq, Iran, Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Liberia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Peru, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Senegal, Spain, Stateless, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela, Vietnam, and Yemen.

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4 YEARS ADVOCATING FOR IMMIGRANT JUSTICE

EXPANDING PROGRAMS AND CHAMPIONING IMMIGRANT RIGHTS



2024

OUR VISION

Through zealous representation, GHIRP strives to ensure that ALL immigrants in our community have equal access to due process in the complex immigration system. Access to legal counsel is a critical component of due process, especially for immigrants who are seeking family unity, protection from deportation, and freedom from abuse and persecution. GHIRP’s model of combining education with legal representation empowers immigrants in our community to reach their greatest potential.

OUR MISSION

GHIRP’s mission is to build a resilient, diverse community by providing comprehensive representation and holistic legal services to immigrants in need.

OUR VALUES

We believe that:

- Each and every immigrant has the right to be heard and actively participate in their legal process.
- Safety and self-determination are fundamental human rights and are essential for individuals to reach their highest potential.
- Our communities are stronger when they are diverse, inclusive, and unified.



WHO WE ARE

We are a group of dedicated lawyers and legal professionals committed to providing high-quality legal services to low-income immigrants in the Galveston-Houston area. GHIRP provides zealous advocacy at every level, from Know Your Rights (KYR) presentations to federal litigation without restrictions. As a local, nimble organization, we focus on issues that immigrants are facing in our community. We use education, representation, and outreach to serve and advocate for our immigrant clients.

GHIRP's legal services are a lifeline to immigrants fighting to tell their stories. Immigration apprehension and detention authority is exponentially more expansive, yet the resources dedicated to preserving immigrant rights have not kept pace. Changes to immigration enforcement policies and laws have eroded due process protections for immigrants. Access to safety and stability in the United States for vulnerable children and families has been largely eliminated. Legal advocates are critical now, more than ever, to protecting due process rights and ensuring a humane, accessible, and effective immigration system in which all voices are heard.

LEADERSHIP AND STRUCTURE



Chiqui Sanchez Kennedy
Executive Director



Alexa Sendukas
Immigrant Children and Youth (ICY) Program



Liz Hoefler
Community Immigration Program (CIP)



Gaby Hernandez
Community Immigration Program (CIP)



Vanessa Perez
General Operations

- Detained and Released Immigration Legal Services
- Pro bono Recruitment, Training and Mentorship

- Detained Adult Program
- Federal Litigation Program
- Friend of Court (FOC) Program

- Survivors of Crimes and Human Trafficking Program (SCP)
- General Immigration Program
- Galveston and Houston Legal Services
- Walk-in Services

- Contract Compliance and Reporting
- Staff Development and Training
- General Office Management and Administrative Oversight

OUR BOARD MEMBERS

The support of our board members strengthens GHIRP's capacity to fulfill its mission. The board helps GHIRP advocate for its clients and create a more inclusive community.



Dalia Castillo-Granados

"I am a proud GHIRP supporter and board member. GHIRP's work is critical, especially now, as Texas thrives on its diverse immigrant population. With a compassionate and dedicated team, GHIRP provides holistic legal services, ensuring immigrants' rights are protected. I am confident GHIRP will remain an invaluable resource for our community."

– Dalia Castillo-Granados



Billy Roberts

"GHIRP embodies a belief in the inherent dignity of all people, the power of due process, and the enrichment diversity brings to our communities. I'm inspired by the resilience of the immigrant families GHIRP serves and the dedication of its team. Being part of the GHIRP board is a privilege, as their work creates measurable impact and lasting positive change. In these challenging times, when anti-immigrant sentiment has fostered fear and uncertainty, GHIRP's mission is more urgent than ever, and I hope others will be inspired and join in supporting this vital work to build inclusive and just communities."

– Billy Roberts



Monica Ortiz Holtkamp

"As a social worker and advocate for social justice, I am proud to support GHIRP's mission and values of upholding human rights and fostering inclusion. I see firsthand the resilience of immigrant families facing immense challenges, and serving on the board allows me to help ensure access to justice is a right, not a privilege. Together, we empower individuals to rebuild their lives and thrive. This work is deeply meaningful, and I am honored to be part of such an impactful organization."

– Monica Ortiz Holtkamp



Alfredo R. Gutierrez

"Impressive is an understatement. GHIRP has grown into a powerhouse in the local immigrant rights community, providing critical legal services and achieving remarkable outcomes despite ever-changing challenges. Now more than ever, standing with our immigrant friends, neighbors and families is essential. GHIRP gives them a voice and champions their cause unwaveringly. I am honored and proud to support this vital work as a board member."

– Emma T. Doineau



Emma Doineau

OUR TEAM

Karen Aceval, Sara Aguila, María Fernanda Albarran, Rebecca Chavez, Samantha Davis, Katy De La O, Guadalupe Fernandez, Myah Fuqua, Abigail Gonsoulin, Miriam Gonzalez, Heidi Guerra, Andreia Hart, Teresa Henderson, Gabriela Hernandez, Elizabeth Hoefler, Abigail Jimenez, Chiqui Sanchez Kennedy, Holly Kuchera, Dante Lendechy, Esmeralda Linares, Pilar Lule Mangue, Raquel Mora-Ojeda, Isaudry Muñoz, Vanessa Perez, Jessica Razo, Anapaula Rincon, Marife Rincon, Enzo Rivas, Marissa Rivera, Keila Rodriguez, Isela Salazar, Alexa Sendukas, Marlyn Socorro, Beatriz Trevino, Alexandra Villalon, Diana Wakasugi-Arriola, Ashley Winford, Cindy Wu, Sandra Zumarraga.



OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Detained Adults Program

Houston is home to four large-scale immigrant detention facilities with a capacity to detain up to 4,000 adults. Our team represents clients in these facilities seeking a broad range of immigration relief including release from detention, asylum and adjustment of status. We participate in the area's first publicly funded program to represent low-income Houstonians. This "universal representation" system operates on a public defender model, where we represent individuals on a first-come, first-served basis regardless of the perceived strength of their case. Additionally, we represent detained adults who are found incompetent to proceed in immigration court without an attorney.



Success Story

Eduardo is a young man who fled Honduras in 2021 escaping severe abuse and violent threats. On his journey to the US, he was kidnapped, abused, and ultimately trafficked into the country. He managed to escape but fell into the hands of individuals who forced him to work for no pay and threatened him with violence if he left. Finally, he arrived in Galveston to reunite with his brother and start a new life.

Almost one year later, ICE arrested and detained Eduardo, placing him in immigration proceedings. GHIRP attorney Liz Hoefler, represented him in the detention facility. After his requests for a bond or parole were denied, Liz helped him file his asylum application in court, report his trafficking to Homeland Security Investigations, and file an application for protection as a survivor of human trafficking (known as a T-visa).

When the immigration judge denied his asylum claim, GHIRP appealed his case while simultaneously advocating for his release and an expedited decision on his T-visa application. Eduardo's appeal was denied which made him vulnerable to immediate deportation to Honduras. GHIRP was not done fighting, however. Rebecca Chavez filed an emergency application with ICE to stop his removal. After significant pushback from the local office, Rebecca escalated the case to ICE headquarters, who finally approved our request on the same day that Eduardo was to be deported to Honduras. Eduardo remained in detention until October 2023, when his T-visa application was approved, and he was released.

Eduardo's journey highlights the struggles immigrants face in our complex, proscriptive immigration system. He spent 15 months in detention despite having a clear and strong avenue for relief, and the strain of detention severely impacted him. Without an attorney and an organization like GHIRP that tirelessly advocated for him, Eduardo could not have obtained the benefits to which he was entitled.

Detained Adults Program in numbers

24 Consultations Provided

20 Clients Represented

12 Clients Represented Under Universal Representation Model

128 Client Matters (requests, filings, and applications for relief) **71%** ▲

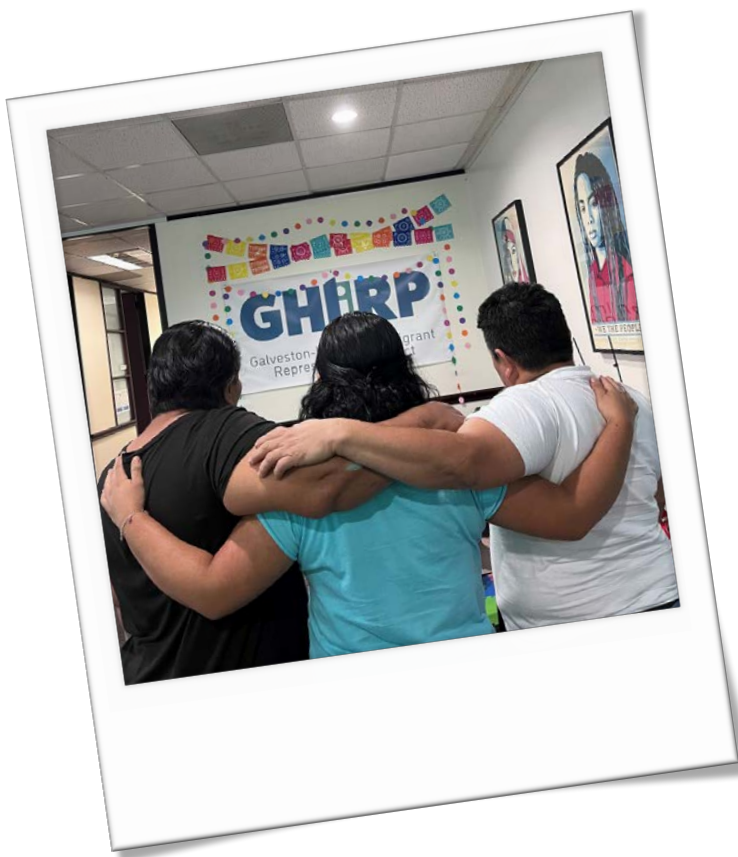
NOTE: Percentage numbers indicate increases from previous year.

OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Survivors of Crime and Human Trafficking Program (SCP)

GHIRP's SCP team provides client-centered representation to immigrant survivors of domestic violence, crime, and human trafficking. Immigrant survivors face numerous barriers to accessing autonomy, safety, and independence. Without proper legal representation and access to social services, survivors remain trapped in unsafe and exploitative homes.

We offer Know Your Rights (KYR) presentations and consultations in the community and at local shelters, empowering survivors with knowledge about their rights and available legal options. Our team represents survivors throughout the duration of their immigration cases, propelling them to safety and stability. By integrating GHIRP's social services staff and collaborating with trusted community partners, we connect survivors to essential resources such as food, shelter, medical care, counseling, and emergency assistance.



Success Story

The Survivors team provided services to a family of four who were victims of a severe form of labor trafficking in Houston. The family was persuaded by a trafficker in their home country and brought to the United States. Upon arrival, two of the adult women were forced to work over 12-hour days in a restaurant without pay, while the 11-year-old child was prohibited from attending school and forced to do all the housework. The family was confined to their home, barred from communicating with anyone, and lived in dire conditions. They were eventually able to escape with the help of law enforcement, who referred them to GHIRP.

Through GHIRP's legal representation, our clients were granted T Nonimmigrant Status, allowing them to live and work safely in the United States without the constant fear of their trafficker. This success story exemplifies the critical impact of GHIRP's work providing hope and a pathway to U.S. Citizenship and a brighter future for vulnerable survivors.

Survivors of Crime and Human Trafficking Program in numbers

202 Consultations **17%** ▲

59 Clients Represented **48%** ▲

32 Community Legal Clinics **52%** ▲

NOTE: Percentage numbers indicate increases from previous year.



OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Immigrant Children and Youth (ICY) Program

On any given day, hundreds of unaccompanied immigrant children are detained in Houston-area facilities. These children come having fled violence, threats, human trafficking, and life-threatening poverty. Harris County receives more minors released from detention than any other county in the United States. Unaccompanied children are placed into Immigration Court proceedings where they have to defend against their deportation; however, no matter their age, they do not have the right to a free attorney. Our ICY team intervenes in as many of these cases as we can to provide trauma-informed legal services to this vulnerable population. We provide Know Your Rights (KYR) presentations, legal screenings, social services, pro se assistance, and direct representation to both detained and released immigrant minors in the Galveston-Houston area. Many of these services are conducted through a “universal representation” model, meaning we assist clients in navigating the complexities of the immigration process, without regard to the perceived strength of their case. We offer a full range of holistic services, including fighting their deportations in court, helping them enroll in school or obtain employment authorization, and securing permanent legal status in the United States.



Immigrant Children and Youth Program in numbers

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| 1469 | Kids Received KYR & Screening | 35% ▲ |
| 156 | New Kids Accepted for Representation | 194% ▲ |
| 328 | Kids Received Direct Legal Services | 14% ▲ |
| 128 | Kids Connected to Social Services | 97% ▲ |

NOTE: Percentage numbers indicate increases from previous year.

Success Story

One of our youngest clients, Jasper, is a 6-year-old nonverbal child from Guatemala who entered the United States seeking asylum with his teenage mother when he was only 3 years old. During his critical developmental years in Houston, Jasper was diagnosed with an intellectual disability and communication disorder. GHIRP provided both legal and social services support to ensure that Jasper and his mother had the resources they needed to thrive. With a pending asylum application with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), the asylum office unexpectedly called Jasper for his asylum interview, where he would have to testify alone.

With only two weeks' notice to prepare, GHIRP attorney Jessica Razo and her supporting legal team sprang into action. Jessica successfully advocated with USCIS for disability accommodations to ensure that Jasper's rights would be respected and he would be afforded a fair process as guaranteed by law. The team filed new, extensive evidence showing that he would be subjected to mistreatment in Guatemala if forced to return as a young child with a severe disability. The Houston Asylum Office granted his case in May 2024, ensuring that he never needs to worry about getting deported! Jasper continues to attend school in Houston, where he is receiving the education he deserves from supportive teachers who have helped his development.

GHIRP is eager to represent him in his application for Lawful Permanent Residency in the coming months.

OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

General Immigration Program

Our General Immigration Program represents immigrants seeking family unity, freedom from abuse and persecution, protection from deportation, and US citizenship in Galveston and Houston. Individuals in the community are often eligible for immigration benefits but cannot access them due to a lack of affordable, local, high-quality immigration legal services. Our Houston office addresses this barrier by opening our doors to offer monthly free legal clinics and legal services to individuals seeking a broad range of services. In Galveston, we partner with St. Vincent's House and Clinic to provide free monthly Know Your Rights (KYR) presentations and consultations to immigrants on the Island. Through our community clinics in Galveston and Houston, our team identifies individuals in need of an attorney and represents them in their immigration case.



Success Story

Veronica, one of GHIRP's first clients, faced a long, challenging journey which ended successfully in 2024. In 2021, while undergoing cancer treatment, she learned that her Lawful Permanent Residency (LPR) had been revoked, and a deportation order had been issued against her. As a Venezuelan citizen, she was terrified knowing that she could be removed to a country grappling with civil unrest, political violence, and inadequate medical care. Our team quickly assisted her in obtaining Temporary Protected Status and began the process for her husband to petition for immigration relief on her behalf. After the petition was approved, we reopened her immigration case in court and successfully eliminated her deportation order. This critical step allowed Veronica to adjust her status and regain LPR status.

Thanks to GHIRP's swift efforts, Veronica received her residency just in time to attend her stepdaughter's wedding in Mexico and to reunite with her children.

General Immigration Program in numbers (Houston Services)

178 Consultations Provided **409%** ▲

59 Clients Represented **69%** ▲

NOTE: Percentage numbers indicate increases from previous year.

Client Statement

"My husband and I are from Venezuela, and we returned to the U.S. in 2018. Our story is too long to fit in one paragraph, but through it all, we met people of extraordinary kindness and dedication. The GHIRP team, especially my attorney, Vanessa, gave their all to secure my Lawful Permanent Residency, and I will always be grateful. Thanks to them, I will be able to hold my children in my arms again, which is my greatest wish."

- Veronica



OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Galveston Legal Services



Success Story

In February 2024, Mario, a Cuban national, attended one of GHIRP's monthly KYR presentations at St. Vincent's House. He had arrived in Galveston in 2022 after fleeing Cuba, but did not know where to turn for help with his immigration status. After the presentation, Mario consulted with GHIRP attorney Holly Kuchera, who explained his eligibility for LPR status and offered to represent him in his application.

Five months later, Mario got the call he had been waiting for: his application was granted and his card was ready for pick-up! Mario is deeply grateful for GHIRP's legal representation and for the referrals they provided to medical services, which have given him a strong start in his new life.

Galveston Legal Services in numbers

513 Household Members Impacted **225%** ▲

162 Participants Received KYRs **138%** ▲

199 Consultations Provided **146%** ▲

68 Clients Represented **353%** ▲

77 Individuals Received Pro Se Assistance

NOTE: Percentage numbers indicate increases from previous year.

Friend of Court (FOC)

Nearly 350,000 individuals appear for hearings at the Houston Immigration Courts which, combined, ranks as one of the busiest courts in the nation. Only about 34% of those individuals appear in court with a lawyer. This year, GHIRP (in collaboration with partner organizations) launched a "Friend of Court" program designed as an attorney-of-the-day model to address the overwhelming need for legal assistance and information in court. Our team appears weekly in court to provide information, limited legal assistance, and guidance to unrepresented individuals. The Friend of Court program reduces fear, increases court participation, and ensures that individuals reserve their right to seek protective relief before the court.

465 Unrepresented individuals received legal assistance and guidance

OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Federal Litigation Program

Our Federal Litigation team represents immigrants in federal courts to protect their due process rights through targeted and strategic advocacy. Federal litigation serves as a critical check on the government. It holds the government accountable for actions that violate fundamental, individual rights. Many immigrants whose rights have been violated have no practical recourse: litigating these cases is complex and time-intensive, relief is harder to obtain after deportation, and there is very little free representation available to contest these violations.

We represent individual clients in a wide range of cases, including challenges relating to unreasonable delays in applications or petitions, erroneous decisions, unlawful or prolonged detention, and negligent or wrongful acts committed by government officials. We also represent clients in select appeals before the Board of Immigration Appeals and circuit courts. Our team helps educate unrepresented immigrants about their rights so they can effectively advocate on their own behalf in court.



Success Story

Joseph fled violence and persecution in Ethiopia and found safety in the United States as a refugee. Forced to leave behind his three children, his deepest wish was to be reunited with them. In 2018, Joseph filed petitions with USCIS for his children to join him. Despite repeated attempts to expedite the process due to his children's medical needs, including seeking congressional help, the petitions remained stalled in administrative processing for nearly five years.

Realizing the only way forward was through federal court action, GHIRP's Federal Litigation Program filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas, challenging USCIS's prolonged delay. Within three months of filing, USCIS approved all three petitions.

Thanks to GHIRP's legal action, Joseph is now closer than ever to reuniting with his children. His story underscores the importance of federal court litigation to defend the rights of noncitizens and address prolonged delays in immigration processing.

Federal Litigation Program in numbers

13 Total Consultations

10 Clients Represented



OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The Impact of Our Pro Bono Attorneys

GHIRP partners with law firms and dedicated pro bono attorneys to increase our impact in the community. These remarkable attorneys volunteer their time and invaluable skills to represent immigrant clients at no cost, with training and mentorship by GHIRP staff. Our pro bono attorneys bring a wealth of expertise, spanning areas such as commercial litigation, public finance, business ownership and criminal defense. Despite their diverse backgrounds, they share a profound commitment and enthusiasm for securing justice for our clients, and invest immense resources to ensure fair outcomes.

This year, we are proud to recognize the outstanding work and contributions of two of our exceptional pro-bono attorneys! Kudos to **Justin Hicks**, an associate at **Hunton Andrews Kurth**, for his extraordinary dedication in securing a state court order for an unaccompanied minor who endured abandonment, abuse, and neglect. He diligently pursued relief for his client, whose case was complex and filled with many unexpected hurdles, on an emergency timeline.

Julie Le, an attorney with **Nathan Sommers Gibson Dillon**, offered equally inspiring commitment in representing a 12-year-old child who was neglected and abandoned by his parents. Upon arriving in Houston, the child was received by a very distant relative, who cared for him as if he was his own son. Julie represented the child and caretaker in family court, obtaining a court order that will ensure the child's safety and stability in his new home.

These significant victories mean that both children now qualify for a Special Immigrant Juvenile visa, paving the way to a brighter future. Firms like Hunton Andrews Kurth and Nathan Sommers Gibson Dillon have shown an inspiring dedication and passion by offering several teams to represent immigrant youth in partnership with GHIRP, giving back to the community we serve. Julie has gone on to represent another immigrant youth in state court proceedings while her firm represents adult asylum seekers from all over the world.

GHIRP deeply values the contributions of pro bono attorneys like Justin, Julie, and their colleagues who provide life-changing legal assistance to vulnerable children, women, and families. We invite new pro bono attorneys to join us in this impactful work representing clients. Together, we can continue to create lasting, positive change for immigrants in Galveston and Houston.



A heartfelt thank you to all pro bono attorneys and firms who join us in making our mission possible, including:

- Foreman, DeGeurin, & DeGeurin
- Houston Baker
- Hunton Andrews Kurth
- Locke Lord
- Nataly Cabrera
- Nathan Sommers Gibson Dillon
- Poole Law Center
- Vinson & Elkins

2024 GHIRP Spring Festival Fundraiser: A Day of Celebration

On April 20th, GHIRP held its much-anticipated 2024 Spring Festival Fundraiser at Dan Electro's. On a sunny spring afternoon, the community gathered for a day filled with fun, entertainment, and the spirit of support, all dedicated to advancing GHIRP's mission of helping to build a resilient and diverse community through the provision of comprehensive immigration legal services.

The festival launched GHIRP's "Advocating for Immigrant Justice" campaign, which successfully raised \$50,000 to fund under-supported programs. Thanks to the community's dedication, GHIRP can continue expanding its services to meet the rising demand for legal assistance in the Galveston-Houston area. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who helped make this event a success, reinforcing our commitment to justice and inclusiveness.

We can't wait to see you at the next celebration:
GHIRP's 2025 Spring Festival Fundraiser on April 26th at Dan Electro's from 12:00 to 4:00 PM.

To support our work, please consider donating and joining us again to celebrate our progress and shared achievements.



GHIRP Media Presence

GHIRP has strengthened its media presence, expanding awareness of immigrant rights and its legal services to reach more people and foster support.

Social Media Engagement:

GHIRP shares updates on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn, promoting campaigns like #WelcomeWithDignity, #NationalHispanicHeritageMonth, #GivingTuesday, events, client success stories, calls to action, and key news updates.

Digital Coverage:

The website serves as an information hub for services, events, and resources, featuring impact reports and email newsletters to keep supporters informed.

Press Coverage:

GHIRP's advocacy has appeared in major outlets, including Houston Public Media and Houston Chronicle. Media coverage extends across Texas, including NBC, Telemundo, ABC, and Univision.

Community Partnerships:

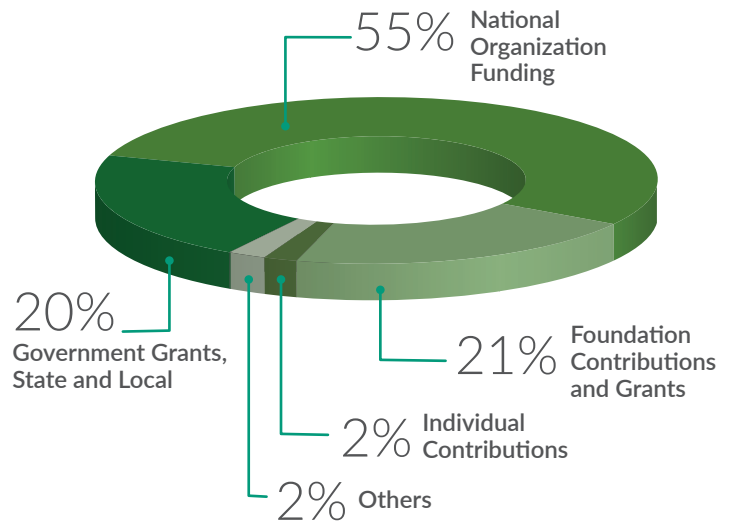
GHIRP collaborates with organizations to amplify immigrant voices through joint events and speaking engagements, raising visibility for immigrant justice and community support.



OUR FINANCES

FUNDING SOURCES

| Funding Sources | Amount | % of Funding |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Government Grants, State and Local | \$757,809 | 20% |
| National Organization Funding | \$2,015,223 | 55% |
| Foundation Contributions and Grants | \$760,000 | 21% |
| Individual Contributions | \$72,819 | 2% |
| Other | \$84,714 | 2% |

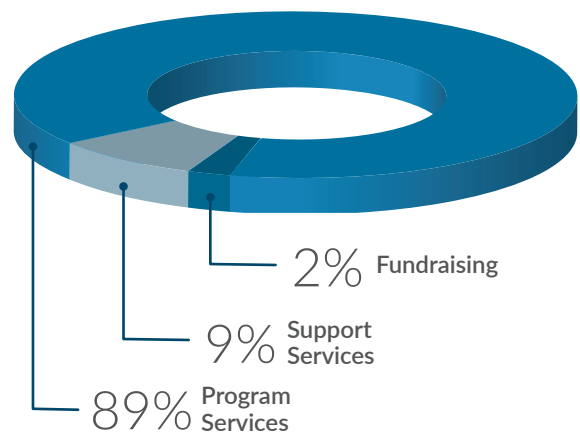


TOTAL FUNDING* **\$3,690,565**

*Note: \$509,957 restricted by funders through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026.

OPERATING EXPENSES

| Expenses | Amount | % of Expenses |
|------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Program Services | \$2,760,114 | 89% |
| Support Services | \$266,472 | 9% |
| Fundraising | \$71,753 | 2% |



TOTAL EXPENSES **\$3,098,339**

MONTHLY DONORS

- Anna Raimer (since December '23)
- Anne Wallace (since May '21)
- Leila Ayachi (since July '21)
- Mary Hoefler (since January '21)
- Michelle and Daniel DeSalvo (since December '21)
- Patricia and Donald Habersberger (since January '21)
- Becky and Keith Habersberger (since December '20)
- Rosemarie Philip (since January '21)
- Simone Gabara (since December '22)

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT

Individual donations allow the GHIRP team to take cases of clients who walk in our doors and do not qualify for grant funding, which only covers specific cases.

With your contributions and general operating support, we have represented asylum seekers, Afghan evacuees, aged-out youth, and survivors of domestic violence, violent crimes, and human trafficking.

Additionally, GHIRP has provided mental health support for our staff and clients and emergency financial assistance to families in need. None of this would be possible without unrestricted donations and grants.

THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

Thank you to our dedicated supporters! Your contributions, whether as donors, sponsors, volunteers, or partners, are vital to GHIRP's mission. This year, your generosity has empowered immigrant families and expanded access to justice in the Galveston-Houston area.

Together, we have made a significant impact, helping many families find safety and stability. We are grateful for your commitment to immigrant rights and inclusion, and we look forward to continuing this important work with your support in the coming year.

Major Gifts

Charlie and Sue Adcock 🌱

The Whalley Foundation 🌱

Adelaide Pagano

Anne Wallace

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Clothed by Faith

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Galveston CoCare

Galveston County Resource
and Crisis Center

Galveston Independent
School District (GISD)

Houston Area Women's
Center (HAWC)

Houston Immigration Legal
Services Collaborative
(HILSC)

Immigrant Legal Resource
Center (ILRC)

Justice Action Center (JAC)
Justice For All Immigrants
(JFAI)

Kids In Need of Defense
(KIND)

Lone Star Legal Aid

Moody Early Childhood
Center (MECC)

Refugee and Immigrant
Center for Education and
Legal Services (RAICES)

St. Vincent's House & Clinic

Tahirih Justice Center

Texas Advocacy Project

Texas Immigration Law
Council

The Bridge Over Troubled
Waters, Inc

University of Texas Medical
Branch (UTMB)

The University of Texas
School of Law, Immigration
Clinic

YMCA International
Services

Young Center for Immigrant
Children's Rights

——— **"Whoever saves one life, saves the world entire." - Thomas Keneally** ———

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