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Our Mission:

The Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project helps low-income immigrants improve their legal status and works for more just and humane laws and policies affecting immigrants.



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Andrés and Brenda

First Comes Love, Then Comes Marriage...

...then comes a mountain of immigration paperwork

“We got lost.” That’s how Andrés Ledezma, a 45 year-old native of Mexico, described his attempt to navigate the complex requirements for gaining legal permanent residency in the United States. Fortunately, he came to ILAP’s offices and began working with Andi Summers, ILAP’s Board of Immigration Appeals Accredited Representative. As a result, he was ultimately successful in obtaining his green card.

After entering the U.S. legally in 1997, Andrés met Brenda, a native Mainer, at a restaurant where they both worked in Ellsworth, and eventually they married. The couple very much wanted Andrés to obtain permanent residency status so that he could feel safe in the U.S., work legally, and eventually visit his family in Mexico. But Andrés soon found himself overwhelmed by the labyrinth of immigration regulations surrounding the green card application process. Andi began work on his case in November, 2011, and although Andrés speaks excellent English, he was grateful and reassured that Andi could discuss complicated legal issues with him in his native Spanish.

Andrés and Brenda explained to Andi how they are “regulars” around Ellsworth; that most people know them and say hello when they see them. Brenda and Andrés work in challenging occupations, seven days a week. Brenda has been employed at the same restaurant for over twelve years, and Andrés is employed at a lobster processing facility. Despite being one of the few Latino individuals in town,

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Save the Date



Celebrating
Immigration
Through The Arts
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Executive Director
Ron Kreisman

Inside ILAP ■ A Message From Our Executive Director

Friday is “intake day” at ILAP. It is the day ILAP opens its doors between 9 AM and 1 PM to meet with anyone needing assistance with a new immigration matter. Intake day is always a very busy time at ILAP. Our waiting room is jammed with families, couples, and individuals speaking multiple languages. On every intake day, ILAP volunteers and staff meet privately with each client seeking assistance, recording their “vital statistics” (including country of origin, current address, immigration status and income situation), and learning about what kind of help the visitor is seeking.

For many people coming to ILAP on intake day, the process concludes with the scheduling of a subsequent, in-depth appointment with ILAP’s legal staff. Some people have questions that are answered “on the spot” and nothing further is required. Still others are found to be ineligible for ILAP services because their income exceeds ILAP’s low-income financial criteria, they do not live in Maine, or the help they need is not about an immigration problem.

Had you been at ILAP’s office during the first two intake days in October, here is glimpse of what you would have seen:

Snapshot: ILAP Intake Days: October 5th and 12th

Numbers: By 8:45 A.M on Friday, October 5th, the hallway leading to ILAP’s offices was crowded with dozens of people seeking ILAP’s assistance. Over the course of the next four hours, our staff and volunteers processed seventy new requests for assistance, setting an all-time one-day intake day record! One week later, on October 12th, we processed an additional thirty-nine new requests for assistance.

Countries: Over the course of two Fridays, staff and volunteers met with people from thirty-six different countries who were seeking help from ILAP, including: Rwanda, Iraq, El Salvador, Afghanistan, Uganda, Honduras, Haiti, Sudan, Egypt, Ecuador, Somalia and Cuba, to name just a few.

Needs: The vast majority of people who walked through our doors told of compelling, often pressing legal needs. These included:

- **Thirteen people escaping persecution in their native countries, seeking assistance in their quest to be granted asylum.**
- **Twelve people asking for ILAP’s help in bringing a child, a spouse or a parent to America, so their family could be reunited, often after many years of separation;**
- **Two women needing protection from domestic violence being inflicted by a U.S. citizen spouse;**
- **Seven people, already “green card” holders, wanting to become U.S. citizens and needing guidance on this process;**
- **Thirteen people needing help filling out applications for work permits; and**
- **Two refugees seeking advice on whether they could travel abroad to visit family members.**



Maddie Krezowski,
Legal Support
Associate,
holds the 70 intake
sheets from Oct 5th,
an all-time record!

*Immigrants from
36 countries make
109 new requests for
assistance*

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You also would have seen every office and cubicle filled with ILAP staff and volunteers executing a highly coordinated process of meeting with clients, securing foreign language interpretation services when required, assessing needs, providing advice, and scheduling follow-up appointments. And you would have seen clients treated with dignity and respect.

The 100+ people from thirty-six countries who walked through ILAP's door on October 5th and 12th would not have occurred without the immense help we receive from our supporters. Your financial contributions, volunteer assistance, and overall backing for the critical role that ILAP serves keeps intake day happening, week after week. Thank you so much for your support.



Ron Kreisman
Executive Director



● **ILAP Elects
New Board
President**

Jennifer Archer, Esq., a shareholder with the law firm of Kelly, Remmel & Zimmerman in Portland, was elected ILAP Board President in October, 2012. Jen has been deeply involved with ILAP for nearly ten years, both as a member of ILAP's *Pro Bono* Immigration Panel representing asylum seekers and other needy immigrants and as a member of the ILAP Board of Directors over the past few years. She is passionate about helping Maine's immigrants and has focused her law practice around that passion. Because she believes that education promotes understanding and acceptance, Jen also teaches Immigration Law as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Maine School of Law, and is a frequent presenter at immigration-related seminars and continuing legal education conferences.

First Comes Love . . . *continued from cover*



Andrés says that he never feels he is being treated differently by anyone, and believes he is respected by his friends and co-workers as a kind, hard-working person.

Andi told Andrés that because he had entered the U.S. legally (with a Border Crossing Card and his Mexican passport), he was eligible to acquire his green card without having to return to Mexico. However, proving this was complicated by the fact that Andrés had been assaulted and robbed in Georgia, and his Border Crossing Card had been stolen.

In any circumstances, the legal process to obtain a green card—called “Adjustment of Status”—is not an easy one. Andrés and Brenda had to provide copious amounts of evidence proving that their marriage was “bona fide”. They had to produce wedding pictures, affidavits from friends and family, documentation of trips and vacations taken together and even tickets they purchased to attend concerts and sporting events, along with proof of shared residence and financial responsibilities. Brenda had to prove that should it become necessary, she would be able to support Andrés financially. With this information in hand, ILAP submitted Andrés’ application in February 2012. With Andi by their side, Andrés and Brenda were interviewed by the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services on May 29, 2012. Just a few weeks after their official interview, Brenda and Andrés were informed that his green card was approved.

Brenda and Andrés thank ILAP for the support they received that allowed them to remain together, retain steady employment, and set down roots in their community. Without this help, the couple had faced tremendous uncertainty, anxiety, and the looming threat of separation. Fifteen years after coming to Maine from Mexico, Andrés’ immigration process had reached a successful conclusion. And as a proud grandfather, with green card in hand, he can finally take Brenda to meet his family in Mexico! ■

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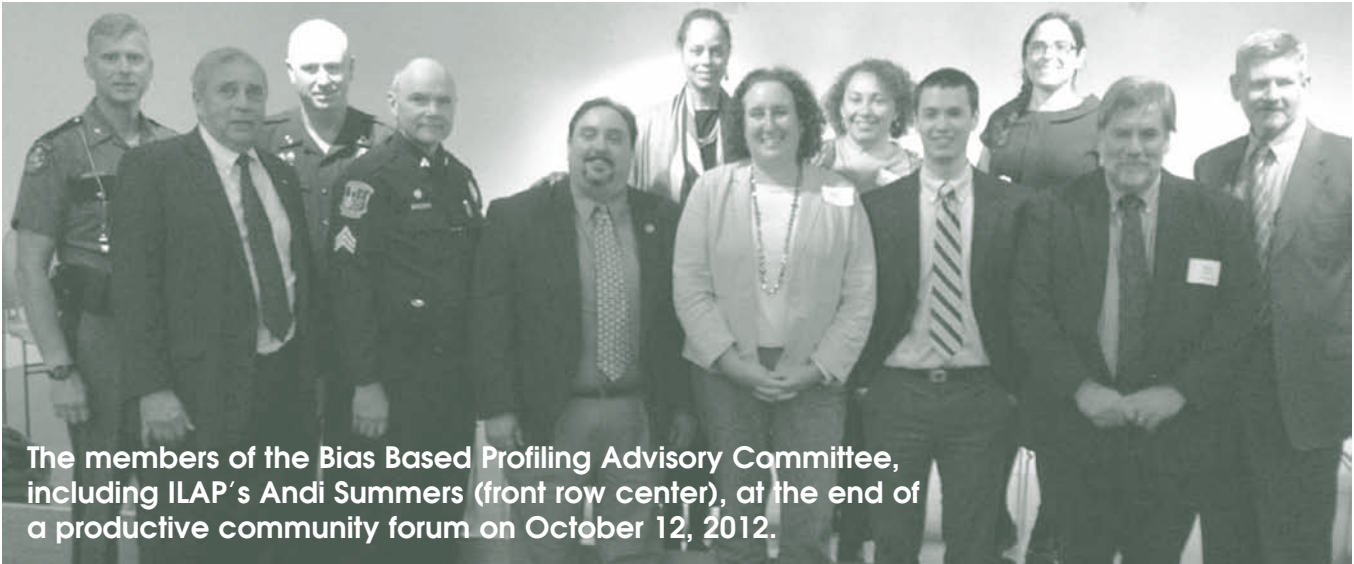
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Advocacy Work Prohibiting Bias-Based Profiling in Maine



The members of the Bias Based Profiling Advisory Committee, including ILAP's Andi Summers (front row center), at the end of a productive community forum on October 12, 2012.

Bias-based profiling occurs when stops, detentions, searches, or asset seizures and forfeiture efforts are based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age or cultural group rather than solely on an individual's conduct and behavior or specific suspect information.

On October 12, over 100 people representing law enforcement, civil rights organizations, and community members attended a lively forum on bias-based profiling at the Portland Public Library.

Organized by the Biased Based Profiling Committee (BBPAC), the forum was designed to promote communication about bias-based profiling in Maine and strengthen the relationships between Maine's minority communities and law enforcement. Between 2008 and 2009, ILAP had played a key role in drafting a bill to prohibit racial profiling. Although the law was not passed, the work around this bill led to the creation of the state-wide BBPAC.

The BBPAC has had several major successes, in addition to increasing understanding, open dialogue, and team work between civil rights leaders and law enforcement.

Key successes to date include:

■ There is now an official police policy prohibiting bias-based profiling. The Maine Chiefs of Police Association created and adopted a model policy that prohibits bias-based policing. It was adopted as is, or was adapted, by law enforcement agencies

throughout Maine and became effective on December 31, 2011.

■ The Criminal Justice Academy will begin mandatory training of all law enforcement personnel around this issue in 2013.

The BBAC was formed as part of an effort spearheaded by Beth Stickney, former ILAP Executive Director, to pass a law prohibiting racial profiling in Maine. Andi Summers, ILAP's BIA Accredited Representative, has been ILAP's delegate to the committee since early 2011. ILAP thanks Andi Summers, members of the committee, and all the participants for their tremendous work on behalf of Maine's immigrants. Their efforts have been truly significant in making the state a more equitable place for all.

THANK YOU to New Foundation Funder

ILAP thanks **The John T. Gorman Foundation** (JTG) for their generous grant of \$50,000 to support our work in 2012. This was ILAP's first grant from JTG, and we greatly appreciate their partnership in helping us fulfill our mission.

PRO BONO

PANEL UPDATE

Brown Bag Lunches

ILAP hosts bi-monthly brown bag lunches for *Pro Bono* Panel members on a variety of topics, including developing areas of asylum law. Recent topics have included working with interpreters, representing clients suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and preparing for affirmative asylum interviews. Suggestions for topics are appreciated and encouraged. Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credit is available to attendees.

Seeking New Members

ILAP is currently seeking new *Pro Bono* Panel members! There is an overwhelming need in Maine, especially in Portland and Lewiston, for *pro bono* asylum representation. The statistics say it all: only 11% of *pro se* asylum-seekers (those without legal representation) are successful in obtaining asylum. For many, it is a matter of life or death.

If you'd like to get involved or just learn

more, please contact Noël Young, ILAP's Asylum Coordinator Attorney, at 207-780-1593 x 105 or nyoung@ilapmaine.org.

ILAP *Pro Bono* Panel Grows to 110 members

26 new attorneys have joined ILAP's *Pro Bono* Panel in 2012, bringing us to an impressive membership of 110 attorneys. To date this year we have placed 44 new cases, and we have 96 cases pending.

As our Panel expands, we want to again gratefully acknowledge the skills, dedication and generosity of the attorneys who assist ILAP's clients. Most Panel members are not practicing immigration attorneys, but take on these very time-consuming and demanding cases after receiving training from ILAP staff. Without this generosity and dedication, many of ILAP's clients would face dire consequences if returned to their homeland.

Asylum Cases Granted, Thanks to ILAP *Pro Bono* Attorneys!

Congratulations to the following *Pro Bono* Panel members who recently won their clients' asylum cases:

- Ben Ford of Verrill Dana won asylum cases for a family of four from Somalia.
- Lori Londis Dwyer, formerly of Bernstein Shur, won an asylum case for a man from Rwanda.

ILAP *Pro Bono* Asylum Panel Training Held at Pierce Atwood

On November 2, the law firm of Pierce Atwood graciously hosted a training for attorneys sponsored by ILAP on representing asylum seekers. Following sessions on asylum law and affirmative asylum procedures, a panel of current ILAP *pro bono* attorneys discussed their own experiences representing asylum-seekers and recommended best practices in preparing affirmative asylum cases.

Faculty included Noël Young, ILAP's Asylum Coordinator Attorney, and Jennifer Archer of Kelly, Rimmel & Zimmerman and President of the ILAP Board of Directors. We greatly appreciate the contributions of the faculty and panelists, including Toby Dilworth of Drummond Woodsum, Scot Draeger of Bernstein Shur, Katie Nokes Minervino and Gigi Sanchez of Pierce Atwood, and Tom Newman of Murray, Plumb and Murray.

Note: If you missed the training, it's not too late! A recorded version is available. We anticipate holding another training in the spring, this time on the topic of defensive asylum proceedings.

Feb 12,
2013

Save the Date



We are recognizing our 2012 volunteers during Valentine's week in 2013. To remind our **volunteers** how much we love (and rely on) them, ILAP's **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY** will be held at the Local Buzz in Cape Elizabeth on February 12. ILAP volunteers, stay tuned for your personal invitation to the event!



April 12,
2013

Save the Date



CeleSoirée, ILAP's annual fundraising event, will be held on April 12, 2013. Details will be posted on the ILAP website as they become available. CeleSoirée promises to be as fun and vibrant as ever. We hope you will join us!

■ Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

(DACA) On August 15, U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services began accepting applications for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). The program, announced on June 15, 2012 by President Obama, aims to stop the deportation of eligible children who lack legal immigration status. Qualifying applicants are granted “deferred action,” which is an act of prosecutorial discretion but not a permanent status. Applicants are also eligible to request work authorization for a period of two years. ILAP hopes that Congress will act and pass the DREAM Act so there will be a path to permanent legal status for undocumented children who entered the country at a young age and not by their own choice.

ILAP has met with a number of clients who are interested in taking advantage of the DACA program, and we have reviewed eligibility and assisted in several applications. We are awaiting decisions on those applications.

■ Haitian TPS Extension Announced

The Department of Homeland Security has announced the extension of Haiti’s Temporary Protected Status (TPS), through July 22, 2014. The application for renewal of Haitian TPS ends on November 30, 2012.

TPS is a temporary immigration benefit for nationals of a country that DHS has “designated,” finding that there are conditions in that country (such as a natural disaster or civil war), which would prevent nationals from returning safely. Eight countries are currently designated for TPS: El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, and Syria. Individuals who are granted TPS may not be deported and may receive employment authorization.

ILAP strongly recommends that any person who believes that he or she may be eligible for DACA or TPS consult with a legal representative before applying. We invite anyone who would like to discuss his or her eligibility for DACA or TPS to come to ILAP during our regular intake hours (Fridays from 9 AM to 1 PM) to make an appointment. Those outside the Portland area can call 207-780-1593 during intake hours.



A smiling **Muna Hassan, ILAP Clinic Paralegal**, sits at her new professional work station donated by **Tilson Technology Management**

The Melting Pot

Thanks to our community and volunteer supporters!

■ **Office Equipment Donations** During the last month, ILAP received donations of upgraded work stations and office chairs from Tilson Technology Management and additional donations of office furniture and equipment from Cathy Lee, Managing Director of Lee International Business Development, and from Jon Moore. ■ **Coffee by Design** once again designated ILAP as the September recipient of \$1 from the proceeds of every pound of its “Beans of Peace” blend. ■ **Mary Stockmeyer and Sue Strommer**, two indispensable regular volunteers, helped with front desk coverage recently during staff transitions. ■ **Meg Moran**, another of ILAP’s valued regular volunteers and *Pro Bono* Panel member, is now also volunteering her time to support ILAP’s staff attorneys with their full-representation cases. We are so grateful for her expertise and contributions! ■ Welcome to our new volunteers: **Chloe Gilroy, Kim Matthews, and Aileen Tschiderer**. ■ Goodbye to our fabulous intake volunteer **Craig Nale**. We wish him all the best in his new position at Bernstein Shur. ■ Adieu to our summer law student **Valerie Randall** and summer intern **Emily Norton**.



Awards

The Burundi Community Association of Maine presented ILAP with a **Certificate of Appreciation** for ILAP’s “Commitment, friendship and dedication to help the Burundi Community of Maine.” Susan Hopkins, ILAP *pro bono* panel attorney, accepted the certificate on behalf of ILAP at the 50th Anniversary of Burundian Independence Day. **ILAP is honored by this recognition, and grateful to be community partners with the association.**

ILAP by the Numbers

TO DATE IN 2012...

More than **2,600** Mainers received direct legal help from ILAP

Full legal representation was provided to **461** individuals by ILAP staff or *pro bono* attorneys

96% of applications for full representation clients were approved

77 ILAP clients became new U.S. citizens

40 education and outreach events reached over **360** individuals

'Know Your Rights' presentations were given to **66** detainees

171 individuals were granted permanent residence in the U.S.

ILAP clients originated from over **90** countries from around the world

ILAP clients originated from all **16** counties in Maine

Kathy DeGrandpre Volunteer Spotlight



ILAP depends heavily on volunteers who, in addition to assisting the legal staff, play a crucial role in a wide range of development tasks. After her first week as a volunteer, ILAP's development team realized just how lucky they were to snag

Kathy! In addition to volunteering for ILAP's annual fundraising event, the CeleSoirée, Kathy mastered our databases and other office systems; her organizational and problem-solving skills were top-notch.

Kathy's love of languages and other cultures drew her to ILAP, and she said she had a great role model when it came to volunteering: her mother has been helping out with one worthy cause or another for as long as she can remember.

Volunteer extraordinaire, Kathy was a significant asset in advancing ILAP's mission to provide legal aid to Maine's low-income immigrants. As she moves on to new life adventures, we wish Kathy all the best. We thank her sincerely for three years of critical service to ILAP and to the immigrant community!

OutreachUPDATE

Maine Migrant Health Fair

Jennifer Bailey, ILAP Staff Attorney, recently participated in outreach services at the Maine Migrant Health Fair in Turner. Jennifer was available for general immigration legal advice to the attendees, including such topics as eligibility for citizenship, rules regarding waivers of the English component of the exam, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and other important information for undocumented individuals.

Blueberries and DACA ILAP's Legal Director Sue Roche and Rachel Watson, Legal Program Associate, spent three days Down East in early August to meet with immigrants raking blueberries in the camps around Milbridge.

This trip has been an annual ILAP outreach event since the organization's early years. As always, ILAP legal representatives provided general immigration legal information to migrant blueberry rakers as well as year-round residents of the area. This year, ILAP also placed a priority on meeting with individuals potentially eligible for the immigration benefits available through Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). Sue was able to provide several consultations for young immigrants, most who were eligible to apply for DACA. ILAP has begun to assist in this application

process. Special thanks go to Mano en Mano for use of their office space and for their help coordinating these consultations.

Asylum

Noël Young, ILAP's Asylum Coordinator Attorney, presented at "Immigrant Voices: Seeking Asylum in the U.S." at the University of Southern Maine in September. The event was hosted and organized by Phi Alpha Delta Glassman Chapter at the University of Maine School of Law in conjunction with Hope Acts' Friends and Families of Burundi and the USM Office of Multicultural Student Affairs.

Five members of the Burundian community in Maine, all of whom have either gone through, or are in the middle of, the asylum process, spoke about the history of Burundi, the experiences that led them to flee their homeland, the challenges facing asylum-seekers, and the critical role of legal assistance to immigrant communities in Maine. Noël shared how she became interested in asylum law and encouraged members of Maine's legal community in the audience to consider representing an asylum-seeker by joining ILAP's *Pro Bono* Panel and taking on asylum cases. The highlight of the event was the celebration of Burundian culture, complete with traditional Burundian drummers, dancers and food.

As American as Baseball...

Youth Take Citizenship Oath at Hadlock Field

On a sweltering day in July, some 35 immigrant children took the oath of citizenship at Hadlock Field in Portland just prior to the game between the Sea Dogs and the Reading Phillies.

ILAP staff members were honored to attend the ceremony and gratified to witness the success of the immigrant youth, some of whom had begun their journey during ILAP's intake days. Good spirits and Sea Dog Ice Cream Biscuits abounded as the excited young people took their seats behind home plate.

After the youth were awarded their certificates of citizenship, they joined together to hold aloft the American flag as the national anthem was sung. It was a wonderful way for ILAP staff to share in the children's excitement, as they and their families completed this rewarding final step of their naturalization processes. And the Sea Dogs won the game to boot!



THE INDIA STREET SOCIETY

ILAP's India Street Society honors the many immigrants who began their American journey by stepping onto Portland's India Street. Running through Portland's East End, India Street begins at the foot of the wharf, where many European immigrants landed throughout the 19th and early 20th centuries. For countless immigrants arriving in Maine, the walk up India Street marked the beginning of their journey to a new life.

One India Street was also ILAP's home office beginning in the year 2000. India Street came to represent hope and help for Maine's low-income immigrants in the 21st century.

With an annual gift of \$300.00 or more, you may join the India Street Society, providing crucial financial leadership for ILAP's work helping immigrants who seek safety, stability and self-sufficiency for themselves and their families. Members receive exclusive benefits, including invitations to special "Inside ILAP" events and recognition in ILAP's annual report.



HOW DO I JOIN?

You may join the India Street Society online at www.ilapmaine.org and clicking "Get Involved." For more information, call Carol Gipson, Development Director, at (207) 780-1593, ext. 107, or send her an email at cgipson@ilapmaine.org.

BIENVENIDOS

A hearty welcome to new ILAP staff members!



Carol Gipson, M.A.,
Development Director

A Michigan native, **Carol** joined ILAP in August 2012. She began her career as a trauma therapist and has over 20 years experience in social services and non-profit development. After a decade living and working in Switzerland, Carol returned to the United States in 2010, settling in Cape Elizabeth in March of this year. Carol notes, “I have tremendous respect for the resilience and courage shown by ILAP’s clients. The hurdles immigrants must overcome—many of whom are suffering from trauma in addition to coping with language barriers, homesickness and family separations—can be hard to imagine. A ‘hand up’ at the right time can make a powerful difference—at times, literally the difference between life and death. Since starting at ILAP, I have been deeply impressed by the caliber and dedication of the staff, board, volunteers and ILAP supporters. I am very proud to be a part of this organization.”



Maddie Krezowski,
Jesuit Volunteer

Maddie, ILAP’s new year-long placement from the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, comes to ILAP after spending the last year and half working with a renewable energy company in Montana, where she worked on government contracts and grants. It’s an understatement to say that ILAP is a big change, but she has quickly jumped into ILAP’s work with immigrants. Maddie graduated from the University of Puget Sound in 2010 with a major in Foreign Language and International Affairs. She is proficient in German.



Leslie Pohl, Office and
Development Assistant

Leslie joined ILAP in August 2012 as the Office and Development Associate. She is a skilled administrative professional with over 16 years experience in both the public and corporate sectors, most recently at the Muskie School of Public Service. She has taught English to speakers of other languages in Spain and New York City. Leslie enjoys hiking in the mountains, rock climbing, and gardening. She lives with her husband and nine-year-old daughter in Portland.

BONVOYAGE

Hayden Anderson, ILAP’s Development Director and Interim Executive Director from June 2011 to May 2012, became Executive Director at the Maine Humanities Council in August. Hayden provided critical leadership during ILAP’s transition period. While we can’t take all of the credit for preparing Hayden for his new position, we hope we gave him one heck of a trial run!

Laura Simocko, former Office and Development Associate, is currently pursuing a Master’s Degree in Race, Ethnicity, and Conflict Studies at Trinity College in Dublin.

Craig “CJ” Small, our Jesuit Volunteer for 2011-2012, is in the process of applying to law schools.

Rachel Watson, Legal Program Associate & Volunteer Coordinator, is the new English Language Learners Ed Tech at the Skillin School in South Portland.

ILAP is grateful to Hayden, Laura, CJ, and Rachel for their important contributions to ILAP and the immigrant community!

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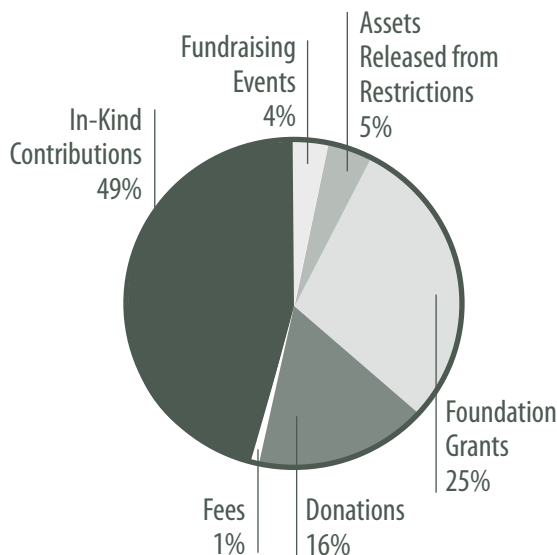
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2011 REVENUE & EXPENSE REPORT

From ILAP's audited financial statement. Year ended 12/31/2011.

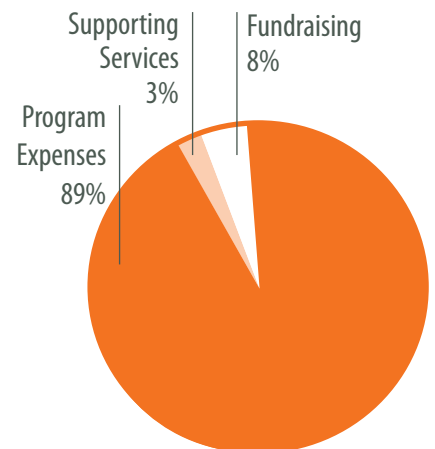
UNRESTRICTED CONTRIBUTIONS

Foundation Grants	311,902
Donations	199,895
Fees	10,268
Net Gains (Losses) on Investments	(914)
In-Kind Contributions	607,331
Fundraising Events	54,945
Assets released from restrictions	60,437
Other Income	47
Total Revenue	\$1,243,911



EXPENSES

Program Expenses	1,130,262
Supporting Services	32,894
Fundraising	96,415
Lobbying	6,011
Total Expenses	\$1,265,582
Change in Assets	(\$21,671)





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Without donations from our generous supporters, ILAP would not be able to help so many immigrants on their journey to self-sufficiency and family stability. We all benefit from the diversity and entrepreneurial spirit that immigrants bring to our community.

ILAP's annual fundraising appeal is getting underway, and there are many ways you can help:

- When you receive our annual fundraising letter, we hope you will consider increasing your gift this year. A little bit more, from many people, makes a big impact!
- ILAP is a United Way partner agency and we appreciate your support for United Way during the workplace campaign season.

- If you are in the process of estate planning, consider making a planned gift of a tax-deductible donation to ILAP in the form of a bequest, donation of stock and other instruments. Your planned gift is an important legacy for Maine's multi-cultural future.
- Consider joining the India Street Society, a special group of ILAP donors who provide critical financial support with leadership gifts and multi-year pledges.

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