

# Do you need immigration assistance?

The Office for New Americans (ONA) provides free services to all immigrants in New York State.

### **Community-Based Services**

ONA's statewide network of community-based **Opportunity Centers** provides free and confidential services including naturalization support, civics test preparation, legal consultations, and community workshops.

**Immigrant Community Navigators** are a grassroots network of individuals who help to link those most in need with immigration-related services and information. The **Golden Door** program offers mental health support groups for immigrant families across the state and connects to other free resources. The **Ramirez June Initiative** builds the capacity of the ONA network to connect new Americans with intellectual / developmental disabilities and their families to resources, information, and services in New York State.

#### English Language Learning

**Opportunity Centers – English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)** provide free English language training with a workforce component.

**Cell-Ed** provides English language instruction on the go, anywhere, anytime on a mobile device. Cell-Ed is a free and confidential English-language learning program for all language levels available on any type of cell phone.

### Workforce Development

The **New Americans Can Code** initiative provides free basic digital literacy training for low-income new Americans as well as more advanced software coding training.

The **Professional Pathways for High-Skilled Immigrants** program connects high-skilled immigrant job seekers with local ONA Job Coaches, as well as support from a statewide Lead Agency, to gain the training and certification necessary to be placed in employment that matches their previous skills and experience.

## Legal Services

**ONA Legal Counsels** regularly hold legal consultation days at each ONA Opportunity Center and can provide support for naturalization as well as other legal services. The **Liberty Defense Project (LDP)** is a state-wide network of legal service providers which assist immigrants, regardless of immigration status and including those facing deportation, with free legal services and direct representation. ONA Legal Counsels and LDP Partners also provide law-related workshops including Know Your Rights training.

#### To access any of these services call the New York State New Americans Hotline:

#### 1-800-566-7636

Monday to Friday, 9am – 8pm, except holidays. All call information is confidential. Assistance is available in 200+ languages.

To locate ONA services near you visit: <u>https://dos.ny.gov/office-new-americans</u>