

## **Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs Summary of Community Services**

The Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs (MOIA) promotes the well-being of immigrant communities. In the de Blasio administration, we have prioritized three broad goals:

- Enhance the economic, civic, and social integration of immigrant New Yorkers;
- Facilitate access to justice for immigrant New Yorkers, and;
- Advocate for continued immigration reforms at all levels of government in order to eliminate inequities that impact New York's immigrant communities.

Through MOIA's main line [(212) 788-7654], callers can receive a wide range of information and referrals to resources, which include immigration legal services, City services and benefits, and other types of assistance. MOIA can also inquire on the status of an immigration application on behalf of the applicant with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. MOIA's services include:

- **IDNYC:** The largest municipal ID program in the country. As one of the lead agencies for the program, MOIA's objective is to make IDNYC's implementation as effective and inclusive as possible. Applicants can visit [nyc.gov/idnyc](http://nyc.gov/idnyc) to learn of application requirements and can make an appointment via the website or by calling 311. Organizations may also arrange an IDNYC workshop by calling (212) 788-7654.
- **ActionNYC:** A community-based model for immigration legal services. Launching in the spring of 2016, every immigrant New Yorker who is served by ActionNYC will receive a safe and secure consultation of their immigration legal options, direct legal services, and connections to key city social services programs.
- **Citizenship:** Features citizenship support services, such as "New American Corners" at the City's 217 public library branches. The corners are a partnership between the City of New York, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the City's public libraries to provide information on citizenship and other immigration issues. NYCitizenship, a new and expanded citizenship application assistance program, will launch in the spring of 2016.
- **"We are New York" (WANY):** MOIA facilitates WANY, an Emmy-Award winning educational television series to help immigrant New Yorkers practice English while providing useful information on essential City services. MOIA recruits and trains volunteers to facilitate 10-week conversational classes at libraries, community organizations, and government agencies.
- **Know Your Rights Forums:** MOIA partners with community-based organizations and groups to host forums that include presentations by relevant City agencies and non-governmental organizations on resources and programs available to New Yorkers, and their rights.
- **MOIA Community Ambassadors:** New Yorkers who volunteer as organizers, interpreters, and English language facilitators and become involved in a variety of MOIA initiatives including IDNYC, We Are New York (WANY), ActionNYC, and Special Events. If you are interested in volunteering, please email [MOIA-Volunteers@cityhall.nyc.gov](mailto:MOIA-Volunteers@cityhall.nyc.gov) or call 212-788-7654.

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