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## COMMUNITY PARTNERS DIRECTORY





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Dear Community Partners and Friends,

When we released our first edition of the Community Partners Directory, it delighted us to hear how well-received it was, especially by our community partners and stakeholders here in Massachusetts. It is with that same enthusiasm that we release an updated edition of the Community Partners Directory in a user-friendly format. This new edition features a list of all ORI programs with a brief description of each, followed by a list of the providers that offer each program. After, the directory lists each provider more thoroughly, including their contact information and location. It is our hope that this directory will allow community partners and stakeholders to collaborate in order to best serve the immigrants and refugees residing in Massachusetts. Every effort has been made to ensure that this directory is accurate and up to date. This second edition is special because it includes ORI's new partners for the newest addition to ORI's portfolio of programs, the Financial Literacy for Newcomers (FLNP).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of our service providers, community supporters, and the ORI staff for their diligent work in serving the refugees and immigrants in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. I want to give special thanks to **Painters & Allied Trades** for their continued financial support of this Directory.

Please visit us online at [www.mass.gov/ORI](http://www.mass.gov/ORI) to learn more about our programs and also to download an electronic copy of the Community Partners Directory to share with your network.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Truong".

Mary Truong  
Executive Director

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Website: [www.mass.gov/ORI](http://www.mass.gov/ORI)  
Population served: Refugee and Immigrant Populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Amharic, Cape Verdean Creole, French, Haitian Creole, Kiswahili, Russian, Spanish, Tigrinya and Vietnamese

The mission of the Massachusetts Office for Refugees and Immigrants (ORI) is to promote the full participation of refugees and immigrants as self-sufficient individuals and families in the economic, social, and civic life of Massachusetts. Refugee and immigrant populations frequently face pre-and post-migratory obstacles which may impact their capacity to effectively integrate into their new communities. ORI provides funds to direct service providers to serve refugees in their communities with the goal of self-sufficiency and integration.

Since the establishment of the Massachusetts Office for Refugees and Immigrants (ORI) in 1985, the Office worked diligently to foster a public environment that recognizes and supports the ethnic and cultural diversity of the state. Approximately 2,400 new refugees and immigrants arrive in Massachusetts each year with recent arrivals coming from Iraq, Haiti, Somalia and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

ORI is primarily funded through the federal Office of Refugee Resettlement which supports a range of services for refugees and immigrants. ORI also receives state funding in support of citizenship and employment services for refugees and immigrants residing in the Commonwealth. For the first time, ORI raised more than \$250,000 in funding to support a new initiative—Financial Literacy for Newcomers (FLN). The FLN project is designed to develop partnerships with community based organizations and financial institutions to deliver basic financial education and supports to refugees and immigrants in the Commonwealth.

The following page describes programs and services administered by ORI and provided directly to eligible refugees and immigrants by the service provider network throughout Massachusetts.

## ORI Program Descriptions

**Citizenship for New Americans Program (CNAP):** Assists legal permanent residents of the Commonwealth to become U.S. citizens.

**Comprehensive Refugee Employment Services (CRES):** Provides integrated English language instruction with core employment services leading to early and long-term economic self-sufficiency.

**Employment Support Services Program (ESSP):** Provides comprehensive, bilingual/bicultural employment services to Refugees & Immigrants with time-limited TAFDC benefits.

**Financial Literacy for Newcomers (FLN):** Provides culturally and linguistically appropriate financial literacy content to refugees and immigrants.

**Program to Enhance Elder Refugee Services (PEERS):** Strengthens relationships between elder and refugee organizations to link refugees to elder services in their communities.

**Refugee Case Management (RCM):** Provides intake, orientation, employability assessment, basic social services and employment referral to eligible populations.

**Refugee Community Services (RCS):** Provides orientation to refugee populations regarding how to access and navigate mainstream service system and local resources.

**Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP):** In collaboration with MA Department of Public Health, ensures newly-arriving refugees receive an initial health assessment and follow-up care.

**Refugee Health Promotion Program (RHPP):** Provides on-going individual health care access assistance to the newest refugee arrivals, preventive health information to refugee communities, and cultural information to mainstream agencies.

**Refugee Medical Assistance Program (RMA):** In collaboration with MassHealth, provides transitional medical coverage for refugees ineligible for Medicaid during the first 8 months after arrival.

**Refugee School Impact Program (RSI):** Supports local public school districts in fostering high academic and social success among refugee youth.

**Targeted Assistance Grant/Formula (TAG/F):** Provides integrated English language instruction and employment services with Vocational Skills Trainings leading to long-term economic self-sufficiency.

**TEAMWorks! (TAG/D):** Provides skills training, integration supports, and employment services leading to self-sufficiency and community integration.

**Unaccompanied Refugee Minors Program (URMP):** Provides residential and foster care services to refugee minors arriving in the U.S. without parents or guardians.

**Youth Adjustment Services (YAS):** Provides refugee youth with a variety of opportunities that facilitate community and school adjustment.

## ORI Providers by Service Type

In alphabetical order by ORI programs

### Citizenship for New Americans Program (CNAP)

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| ○ <i>Essex County</i>                                      |           |
| ▪ Russian Community Association of Massachusetts . . . . . | <b>31</b> |
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## **Financial Literacy for Newcomers (FLN)**

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## **Refugee Case Management (RCM)**

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| ○ <i>Hampden County</i>                                              |           |
| ▪ Ascentria Care Alliance – Westfield Site. . . . .                  | <b>13</b> |
| ▪ Catholic Charities Agency of the Diocese of Springfield. . . . .   | <b>16</b> |
| ▪ Jewish Family Service of Western Massachusetts . . . . .           | <b>25</b> |
| ○ <i>Middlesex County</i>                                            |           |
| ▪ International Institute of New England – Lowell Site . . . . .     | <b>23</b> |
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| ▪ Catholic Charities--Archdiocese of Boston . . . . .                | <b>16</b> |
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| ▪ Refugee and Immigrant Assistance Center – Boston Site . . . . .    | <b>29</b> |
| ○ <i>Worcester County</i>                                            |           |
| ▪ Ascentria Care Alliance – Worcester Site . . . . .                 | <b>14</b> |
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## **Refugee Community Services (RCS)**

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| ▪ Bosnian Community Center for Resource Development, Inc. . . . . | 15 |
| ▪ Congolese Development Center. . . . .                           | 18 |
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| ○ <i>Hampden County</i>                                           |    |
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| ○ <i>Suffolk County</i>                                           |    |
| ▪ Ethiopian Community Mutual Assistance Association . . . . .     | 21 |
| ▪ Haitian American Public Health Initiatives . . . . .            | 21 |
| ▪ Somali Development Center . . . . .                             | 31 |
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## **Refugee Medical Assistance (RMA)**

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## **Targeted Assistance Grant/ Formula (TAG/F)**

- *Hampden County*
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- *Middlesex County*
  - International Institute of New England – Lowell Site . . . . . **23**
- *Suffolk County*
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## **TEAMWorks!**

- *Essex County*
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## **Youth Adjustment Services (YAS)**

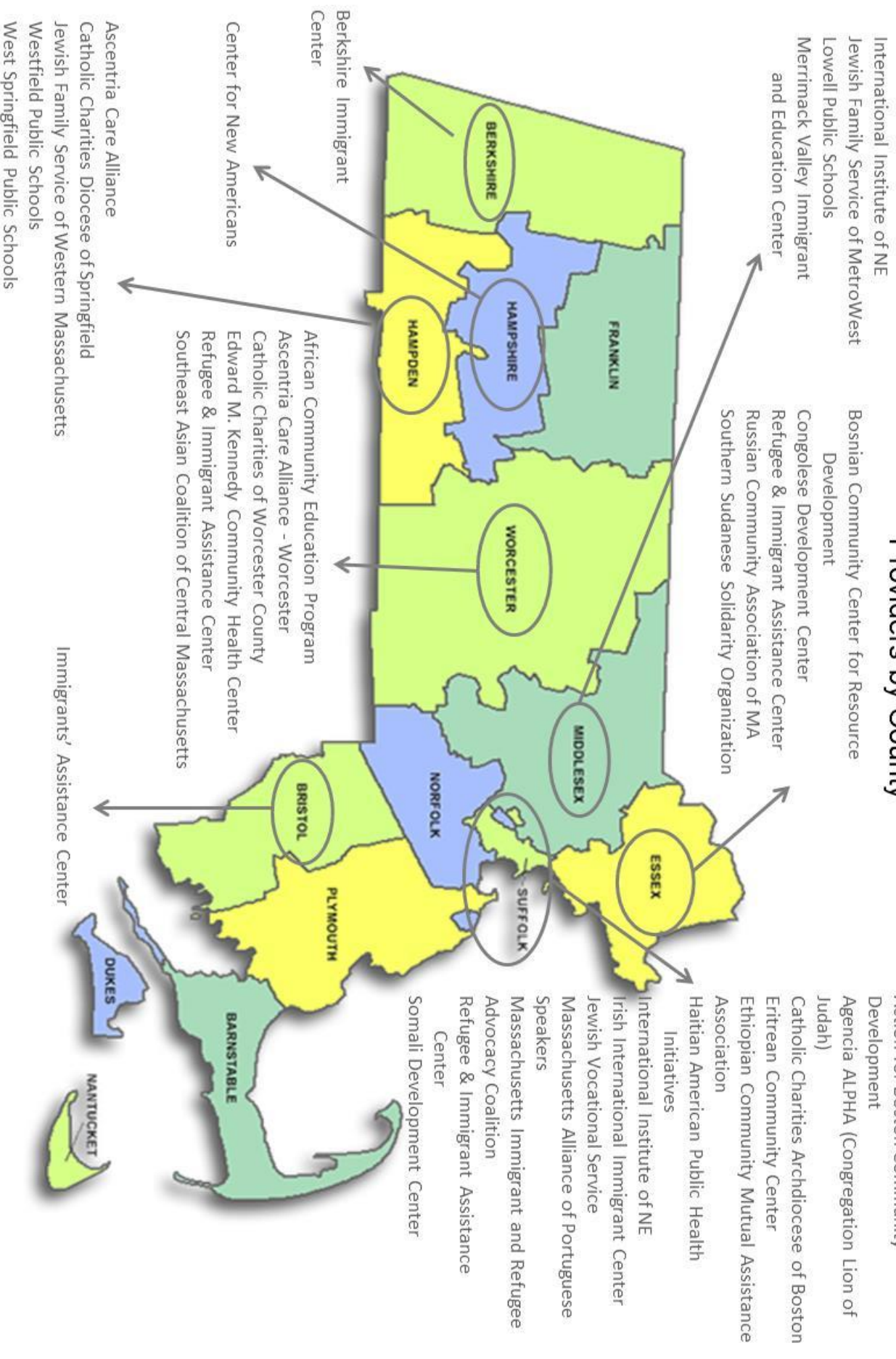
- *Essex County*
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# MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE FOR REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS

## Providers by County



## Action for Boston Community Development, Inc.

178 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111-1093  
617-348-6000

John J. Drew  
john.drew@bostonabcd.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Website: www.bostonabcd.org  
Population served: Albanians, Bangladeshis, Cape Verdeans, Colombians, Dominicans, Haitians, Jamaicans, Kenyans, Moroccans, Salvadorans, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Chinese, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese

**Citizenship and Immigration Services:** The program offers immigration services, with the primary focus on naturalization process, at four locations: Parker Hill/Fenway Neighborhood Service Center in Roxbury; Boston Hispanic Center in Jamaica Plain; East Boston Area Planning Action Council in East Boston; and Mystic Valley Opportunity Center in Malden, MA.

**ABCD Services:** Immigration Services, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Classes, Job Readiness, Job Search Assistance and Training, Youth Education and Employment Programs, Head Start and Early Head Start, Childcare Referral and Voucher Programs, Elder Housing, Senior Centers, Foster Grandparents Program, Fuel Assistance, Foreclosure Prevention Counseling, Housing Assistance, Emergency Food Pantries, and Income Tax Preparation.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## African Community Education Program

484 Main Street #355, Worcester, MA 01608  
508-799-3653  
acorneliussen@acechildren.org

Kaska Yawo  
508-799-3653  
KYawo@acechildren.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Saturday 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
Website: www.acechildren.org  
Population served: Burundians, Liberians, Somalis, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Ewe, Fanti, French, Krahnn, Kirundi, Kinyarwanda, Kaba, Sango, Swahili and Twi

**Family Education Program:** The ACE Family Education Program provides adult English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and U.S. Citizenship classes, an Early Literacy Playgroup for children ages 0-9, and guided parent-child literacy activities. This program is held on Saturdays during the school year.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the RSI program.

## Agencia ALPHA (Congregation Lion of Judah)

62 Northampton St., Suite 203, Boston, MA 02118  
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Patricia Sobalvarro  
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Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Website: www.agenciaalpha.org  
Population served: Dominicans, Guatemalans, Nepalese, Salvadorans, Turks, and other  
Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: English and Spanish

**ALPHA Immigrant Center:** Program offers citizenship instruction and naturalization assistance in Boston and East Boston. Other legal services include family petitions, green card renewals, and Deferred Action/Temporary Protected Status (TPS) applications.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## Ascentria Care Alliance – Westfield Site

94 North Elm St., Suite 401, Westfield, MA 01085  
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Lisa Ann Brennan  
774-243-3017  
lbrennan@ascentria.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: www.ascentria.org  
Population served: Bhutanese, Iraqis, Syrians, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, French, Hindi, Kiswahili, Moldovan, Polish, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Ukrainian and Urdu

**Highland Valley Elder Services:** Assists Westfield Russian and Ukrainian refugees by providing translation, issue resolution, transportation, and inclusion in events/activities.

**Legal assistance:** To complete immigration applications and petitions, including citizenship applications, family-based petitions, and green card applications.

**Matching Grant:** Integrated employment assistance, case management, and cash assistance for 4 to 6 months to help refugees obtain self-sufficiency.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program:** The SNAP-Ed program provides nutrition education series throughout the community to primarily low-income individuals and in low-income areas. The goal is to improve the likelihood that all people eligible for SNAP make healthy food choices within a limited budget and choose physically active lifestyles.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as case management, employment services, social services, and citizen support. Programs include CRES, CNAP, ESSP, PEERS, RCS, RCM, and RHPP.

## Ascentria Care Alliance – Worcester Site

11 Shattuck St., Worcester, MA 01605  
774-243-3100

Lisa Ann Brennan  
774-243-3017  
lbrennan@ascentria.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.ascentria.org](http://www.ascentria.org)  
Population served: Bhutanese, Congolese, Iraqis, Somalis, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, French, Nepali, Somali and Swahili

**Immigration and Legal Assistance Program:** Offers free and low-cost legal assistance and representation for asylum seekers, unaccompanied minors, victims of violent crime, domestic violence, or human trafficking.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants, such as case management, employment services, social services, and citizen support. Programs include CNAP, CRES, ESSP, PEERS, RCM, RSI, and TAG/F.

## Berkshire Immigrant Center

67 East St., Pittsfield, MA 01201  
413- 445-4881  
brooke@berkshireic.com

Brooke Mead  
413-445-4881

Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Website: [www.berkshireic.org](http://www.berkshireic.org)  
Population served: Immigrants and refugees and family members in the Berkshire County area  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Russian and Spanish

**Community Connector Program:** Assists local immigrant and refugee population to connect with community services to promote financial stability and strengthened families.

**Conexiones Positivas:** Provides a support network for Latino families to empower them to participate more fully in the Berkshire County community. It also offers human service agencies the opportunity to outreach to and become more familiar with the Latino community and to provide support and information on services available for their families.

**Immigration Benefits Services:** Board of Immigration Appeals Accredited Representatives provide consultations and legal representation for USCIS applications including Adjustment of Status, Alien Relative Petitions and Consular Processing, TPS, DACA, Green card renewals, Petitions to Remove Conditions on Residence, etc.

**Monthly Legal Walk-in Clinics:** Free consultations with an attorney, for those with legal questions about immigration, divorce, personal injury, workers' rights, criminal law, or any other legal issue.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

### **Bosnian Community Center for Resource Development, Inc.**

330 Lynnway, Suite 392, Lynn, MA 01901  
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office@bccrd.org

Dr. Adnan Zubcevic  
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Azubcevic@comcast.net

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.bccrd.org](http://www.bccrd.org)  
Population served: Bhutanese, Macedonians, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Albanian, Arabic, Bosnian, Croatian, Dzongkha, Dari, Farsi, Hindi, Macedonian, Nepali, Urdu, Russian and Spanish

**English as Second Language (ESL)Classes:** Clients are welcome from elderly and disabled group of refugees or otherwise unemployable groups. This program is free and is taught by agency's interns and volunteers. Classes run once a week and are free of charge.

**Employment and Training program (ET):** Helps prepare refugees to search for jobs. Assists with services that include: teaching computer basic skills, resume writing and job search with one-on-one interview preparation.

**Multi-Ethnic Cultural Center program (MECC):** Cultural and expressive arts program for all refugee groups. Utilizes cultural heritage and skills from original countries to promote mental health and wellness as well as a therapeutic tool for expression of trauma in a non-verbal and non-intrusive way.

**Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership-Community Services Provider (MBHP-CSP):** A contract with MBHP/Family Continuity Program that provides opportunities for members from refugee communities to be trained and educated in providing direct case support/ management services to respective communities.

**Volunteer and Internship Program:** Provides opportunities for volunteers and interns interested in pursuing human services professions in their future.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services and citizenship services to eligible refugees and other immigrants. Programs include CNAP, RCS, and RHPP.

## Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston

275 West Broadway, South Boston, MA 02127  
617-464-8100

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Khiet Dang, [khiet\\_dang@ccab.org](mailto:khiet_dang@ccab.org)

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.ccab.org](http://www.ccab.org)  
Population served: All Refugee & Immigrant populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Burmese, Haitian Creole, Spanish and Vietnamese

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

For more than 110 years, Catholic Charities has continued its mission of building a just and compassionate society rooted in the dignity of all people. The agency provides nearly 100 programs and services throughout Eastern Massachusetts. These services respond to the needs of the poor and working poor, provide supportive services to children and families, and assist refugees and immigrants as they become active participants in their communities. Programs for immigrants include adult education, basic needs, child care, nurse assistant/home health aide training, immigration consultation and representation, interpreter services, and counseling. Catholic Charities serves all those in need regardless of faith. Last year, Catholic Charities served more than 200,000 people in need.

**\*ORI funded services** provide case management services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the RCM program.

## Catholic Charities Agency of the Diocese of Springfield

65 Elliot St., Springfield, MA 01105  
413-452-0572

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Laura Robertson, [l.robertson@diospringfield.org](mailto:l.robertson@diospringfield.org)

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Website: [www.diospringfield.org/Ministries/cca/](http://www.diospringfield.org/Ministries/cca/)  
Population served: All Refugee & Immigrant populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: French, Kirundi, Polish, Spanish and Swahili

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

Catholic Charities services respond to the needs of the poor and marginalized. They provide welcome and support to all eligible households. They assist Refugee and Immigrant families in their journey to become fully participating and thriving members of their new community. Programs include adult education, basic needs, immigration consultation, interpreter services, employment development, Financial Literacy for Newcomers, and counseling.

**\*ORI funded services** provide case management services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including CRES, FLN, and RCM programs.

## Catholic Charities Worcester County

10 Hammond St., Worcester, MA 01610  
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Tim McMahon  
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tcmahon@ccworc.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.ccworc.org](http://www.ccworc.org)  
Population served: Refugee & Immigrant populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: French, Indian, Nepali and Vietnamese

Catholic Charities Worcester County is a multi-service nonprofit organization with a variety of programs and services to help the low-income, vulnerable and refugee and immigrant populations. Some of the program and services include:

**Emergency Stabilization/Homeless Prevention Program:** Assists with basic needs services, including food pantry and clothes closet, budgeting assistance, financial education, and case management.

**Immigration Services:** Assists with various immigration applications through accredited BIA representatives. The agency is a member of the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC)

**Citizenship for New Americans Program:** Catholic Charities provides comprehensive citizenship services which include citizenship classes both day and evening in Worcester and Milford.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## Center for New Americans

42 Gothic St., Northampton, MA 01060  
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Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.cnam.org](http://www.cnam.org)  
Population served: Refugee & Immigrant populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: French, Portuguese and Spanish

**Citizenship and immigration programs:** Including legal assistance with certain change of status applications, such as DACA.

**Classes in English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL):** At four program sites (Amherst, Northampton, Greenfield, and Turners Falls); instruction in technology; individual tutoring, and conversation groups.

**Education and Career Counseling:** Career pathways classes to help immigrants prepare for and obtain living wage jobs in growth industries.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## Congolese Development Center

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Viviane Kamba, vitkamba@yahoo.com

Hours of Operation: Monday – Saturday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Website: [www.cd-c.org](http://www.cd-c.org)  
Population served: Burundians, Congolese, Rwandans, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: French, Kikongo, Lingala, Swahili and Tshiluba

**CDC Community Gardening project:** Provides Refugees & Immigrants with and without agrarian background with basic gardening education and communal garden plots to grow vegetables. CDC also provides education about nutrition and healthy choices for individuals and families.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants. Programs include PEERS, RCS, and RHPP.

## Department of Children and Families

600 Washington St., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Boston, MA 02111

Mary Doherty  
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Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:45 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dcf](http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dcf)  
Population served: Families and Children

DCF supports children ages 0 - 18 and 18 - 21 previously involved with DCF. Eighty-five percent of all children receiving DCF services remain in their home.

**DCF Programs:** Adolescent Services, Adoption/Guardianship, Domestic Violence Services, Foster Care Housing Stabilization Services, Family Support & Stabilization Services, and Out of Home Placements. DCF has 5 regional offices and 29 area offices across the Commonwealth. There is one central office located in Boston that provides support to the field offices.

**\*ORI funded services** provide case management services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the URMP program.

## Department of Public Health

305 South St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130  
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Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.mass.gov/mdph/refugee](http://www.mass.gov/mdph/refugee)  
Population served: Refugee & Immigrant populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Spanish and Vietnamese

The Refugee Health Assessment Program is designed to remove the barriers that prevent new arrivals from accessing early medical diagnosis and treatment. The health assessment is a refugee's first point of contact with the US health system, and the comprehensive history, evaluation, education and recommendations for follow-up care facilitate appropriate utilization. Furthermore, the health assessment plays an important role in linking refugees with primary health care. Health assessment services are delivered through a network of nine DPH-contracted providers, mostly community health centers.

**\*ORI funded services** provide health assessment services to eligible refugees and immigrants through RHA program.

## Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center

19 Tacoma, Worcester MA 01605  
1-800-853-2288

Antonia McGuire  
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toni.mcguire@kennedychc.org

Hours of Operation: Varies by location  
Website: [www.kennedychc.org](http://www.kennedychc.org)  
Population served: Brazilian, Guatemalan, Ghanaian, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Albanian, Amharic, Arabic, Cape Verdean, Fante, Farsi, Filipino, French, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Kannada, Kikuyu, Malayalam, Nepali, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish, Russian, Telugu, Tigrinya, Vanda and Zulu

**Behavioral Health:** Services provided for adults, adolescents, and children include: outpatient counseling for individuals, couples, and families; psychiatric evaluation and ongoing medication management; and culturally competent behavioral health treatment for non-English speaking patients.

**Dental:** Kennedy CHC provides comprehensive Pediatric and Adult Dental care. Services include: Dental Exams and Cleanings (Prophylaxis), Dental X-Rays, Oral Health Education, Urgent Dental Care, Fluoride Treatments, Fillings, Root Canals, Extractions, Crowns, Bridges, Mouth Guards, Partial and Full Dentures

**Medical Specialties:** Kennedy CHC works with a number of local specialists to provide specialty care in their facilities. Medical specialties include: cardiology, dermatology, infectious disease, obstetrics and gynecology, optometry and ophthalmology, podiatry, pulmonology.

**Nutrition Counseling:** Nutrition counseling is available to all children and adults who receive primary medical care at Kennedy CHC. Their nutritionists have expertise in prenatal nutrition, breastfeeding support, pediatric nutrition, eating disorders and weight management, as well as chronic diseases including diabetes, hypertension, and HIV/AIDS.

**Primary care:** Primary care services include preventive care, routine checkups, immunizations, and management of acute and chronic illnesses.

**Urgent Care:** Urgent care is also available for health center patients who have an injury or illness that requires immediate care but is not serious enough to warrant a visit to a hospital emergency room.

**Youth Education programs:** Community Programs are the health center's Worcester-based prevention, outreach, and health education programs, provided at sites throughout the community. By maintaining a presence in local schools, Community Programs develops and maintains Youth Development and Peer Leadership programs.

**Pharmacy:** The Kennedy CHC pharmacy program provides both an on-site pharmacy at their health center in Worcester and an affiliate (contracted) pharmacy, Eaton Apothecary, in the Framingham community. This allows them to provide their patients access to steeply discounted medications.

**\*ORI funded services** provide health services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the RHAP and RHPP program.

## Eritrean Community Center

590 Shawmut Ave, Roxbury, MA 02118  
617-427-1210

Berhane Haile  
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bhaile@eccboston.org

Hours of Operation: Tuesday – Sunday 1 p.m. – 11 p.m.  
Website: [www.eccboston.org](http://www.eccboston.org)  
Population served: Eritreans, Ethiopians, Somalis, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Amharic and Tigrinya

**Cultural Events:** ECC provides annual cultural events plus it observes Women's International Day and Martin Luther King Day.

**Women's Empowerment:** This program provides basic literacy for women and other supportive programs like sewing classes.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the RCS program.

## Ethiopian Community Mutual Assistance Association, Inc.

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Binyam Tamene  
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binyam.ecmaa@gmail.com

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Website: [www.mecmaa.org](http://www.mecmaa.org)  
Population served: Ethiopians, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Amharic and Arabic

**Information/Referral Service:** This program is funded by the City of Cambridge (Community Development Block Grant) to provide information/referral service to the growing number of low-income Cambridge residents that are Ethiopian refugees & Immigrants. The services provided include: access to housing, ESL classes, employment training, legal services, health care and other services available in the larger community.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the RCS and RHPP programs.

## Haitian American Public Health Initiatives, Inc.

1603 Blue Hill Ave, Mattapan MA 02126  
617-298-8076

Jean Marc Jean-Baptiste  
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jeanmarc.jnbaptiste@haphi.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.haphi.org](http://www.haphi.org)  
Population served: Haitians, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: French and Haitian Creole

**English as a Second Language (ESL):** Provides English as a Second Language (ESL) Monday through Friday to recently arrived Haitians and Non-Haitians.

**Health Education:** Provides health education and workshops; organize and participate in community forums and events; Inform and refer clients to health care facilities and other services.

**Haitian Family Support Program:** Provides case management, outreach advocacy and support for Haitian children who are mentally challenged and their family. The program seeks to educate service providers and members of the Haitian community on issues surrounding mental retardation to increase social understanding and support.

**Food Pantry:** HAPHI works with Greater Boston Food Bank to provide limited food distribution to its clients and the larger community.

**Summer Youth Program:** Provides activities during the summer such as arts and craft, sports, poetry, leadership, etc. The program's goal is to decrease youth violence during the summer.

**Youth Education and Work Empowerment:** Provides educational assistance to Haitian youth as well as career exploration and job search.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as social services and citizen support. Programs include CNAP and RHPP.

### Immigrants' Assistance Center, Inc.

58 Crapo St., New Bedford, MA 02740  
(508) 996-8113

Helena DaSilva Hughes  
508-996-8113  
Info@IAC1971.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Website: ImmigrantsAssistanceCenter.org  
Population served: Brazilians, Cape Verdeans, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Cape Verdean Creole, French, Portuguese and Spanish

**Access to every type of social service:** To help non-English speaking clients access information and services for any problem or need. The Immigrants' Assistance Center, Inc. is a vital link between the non-English speaking community and all of the other public and private human service agencies and providers in the area.

**Immigrants Assistance Services:** Citizenship Education, General Case Management, Elderly Services, Health Services, Deportation Support Services, Language support at high schools through the A.M.I.G.O.S. Project.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

### International Institute of New England– Boston Site

2 Boylston St. 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Boston, MA 02116  
617-695-9990

Jeff Thielman  
jthielman@iine.us

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: www.iine.us  
Population served: Afghans, Burmese, Iraqis, Somalis, Sudanese, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: French, Nepali, Romanian, Spanish and Turkish

**Bridges to Business Program (BtB):** The goal of the BtB program is to assist low-income entrepreneurs from Massachusetts start, expand, strengthen, and/or stabilize their businesses by providing one-on-one technical assistance and workshops on micro-entrepreneurship, business plan development, financial management, marketing, and time management.

**Citizenship Program:** The Citizenship Program is geared towards assisting clients navigate the naturalization process, understand rights and responsibilities of an American Citizen, pass the English, civics, reading, and writing tests, be successful in the naturalization interview, and increase their reading and writing skills. Three cycles are offered per year with a schedule to be determined.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**Hospitality Training Program (HTP):** Is a 6-week skills training program geared toward placing individuals in the Hospitality industry. Three cycles are offered per year.

**Service Industry Training Program (SITP):** Is a 16-week skills training program geared toward placing individuals in the Healthcare, Banking, or Hospitality industries. The program runs once a year.

**English for Employment Program (EFE):** is an ESOL program that offers contextualized instruction in job readiness. Classes are held 42 weeks of the year. There are three levels of Listening/Speaking classes and three levels of Reading/Writing classes. Enrollment is open year-round.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as case management and employment services. Programs include CRES, RCM, and TAG/F.

## International Institute of New England – Lowell Site

15-17 Warren St., Lowell, MA 01852  
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Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Website: [www.iine.us](http://www.iine.us)

Population served: Afghans, Burmese, Iraqis, Syrians and other Refugees & Immigrants

Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, French, Khmer and Swahili

**Citizenship Program:** Assists clients with applying for citizenship through form and documentation review and group citizenship form processing clinics done in partnership with Greater Boston Citizenship Initiative.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**The Refugee School Success Program (RSI):** Is comprised of daily homework help, mentoring, and social/emotional supports for students plus an additional parent information component. It also includes a Fellows program that provides additional training to a core group of youth leaders as we support their pursuit of college, career certification, and higher education.

**Stitching Studio:** Is a training program that assesses and teaches basic sewing skills for employment in the garment industry. Skills are taught by an instructor in a small group setting with hands on practice on a sewing machine.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as case management, employment services, social services, and citizen support. Programs include CRES, RCM, RCS, RHPP, and TAG/F.

## Irish International Immigrant Center

1 State St., Boston, MA 02109  
617- 542-7654

Ronnie Millar  
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Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.iiicenter.org](http://www.iiicenter.org)  
Population served: Refugee & Immigrant populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Albanian, French, Haitian Creole and Spanish

**Education Services:** The IIC's Education Services program offers classes in English for Speakers of Other Languages, Citizenship Preparation, and Career Advancement/Computer Skills.

**Immigration Legal Services:** Immigration Legal Services offers comprehensive, professional, and confidential services for U.S. immigration and citizenship legal issues.

**Learning Exchange Programs:** The IIC sponsors young Irish people through the J-1 Intern Work and Travel program and supports the students in all aspects of their program both in preparing for, and throughout, their year in the U.S.

**Wellness Services:** The IIC's Wellness Services program offers counseling services, substance abuse programs, health screenings, as well as Home Health Aid courses.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## Jewish Family Service of Metrowest

475 Franklin St. Suite 101, Framingham, MA 01702  
508-875-3100

Marc Jacobs  
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mjacobs@jfsmw.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Website: [www.jfsmw.org](http://www.jfsmw.org)  
Population served: Egyptians, Iraqis, Syrians, Ukrainians, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish

**Adoption Choices:** Is a licensed child placement agency within JFSMW. JFSMW facilitate domestic infant adoptions and can serve anyone who resides in MA.

**Geriatric Care Management:** Is a fee based service that provides assessment, care planning, and ongoing case management to elders and their families.

**Homecare:** Works to create and implement a complete plan of care tailored to the needs of each elder. Trained staff assists clients with tasks such as bathing, grooming, toileting, dressing, and other needs on either a long or short-term basis.

**Healthy Aging:** The Healthy Aging program offers an array of community-based programs meant to improve the health of seniors living in the Metrowest area. Services include a Patient Navigator program (a volunteer medical escort program), Friendly Visitor (a volunteer companion for elders and disabled adults), wellness and prevention programs, and lunch and learn seminars.

**Family Assistance Network:** The Family Assistance Network provides confidential and respectful assistance to individuals and families in Metrowest to help them meet short-term challenges resulting from urgent financial difficulties.

**Reducing Achievement Gaps:** Comprehensive system of interventions for low-income elementary aged students and their families. Program activities include after-school programs, food security, and parent involvement and outreach.

**Ready for Success:** This program provides work-ready clients ages 55 and up who are at mid to late career status and facing long-term unemployment or underemployment.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as case management and citizenship support. Programs include RCM and CNAP.

## Jewish Family Service of Western Massachusetts

15 Lenox St., Springfield, MA 01108  
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Maxine Stein  
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Hours of Operation: Monday 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Tuesday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Website: [www.jfswm.org](http://www.jfswm.org)

Population served: Afghans, Bhutanese, Iraqis, Somalis, and other Refugees & Immigrants

Languages Spoken by Staff: Amharic, Arabic, Burmese, Farsi, French, Hindi, Karin, Kinyarwanda, Kirundi, Kiswahili, Nepali, Somali, Spanish and Vietnamese

**Community Support/Cultural Broker for Refugees:** This program provides individualized community support services to refugee individuals and families in follow-up to the initial 90 day resettlement services. Agency's multicultural staff works closely with community providers to develop a comprehensive service plan to foster independence and wellness for every individual and family.

**Counseling:** JFS is known for compassionate, caring and professional counseling services. Counseling offers support to individuals, families and couples across the economic spectrum.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**Elder Care:** Many people count on JFS to help them assess and find ways to solve problems regarding their own or loved ones well-being. The changing face of the community requires a multitude of services from Guardianship and Geriatric Care Management to crisis intervention.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as case management, employment services, and social services. Programs include CNAP, CRES, FLN, PEERS, RCS, RCM, RHPP, RSI, TAG/F, and YAS.

## Jewish Vocational Service

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617-399-3300

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jrubin@jvs-boston.org

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| Hours of Operation:        | Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.                                                                                                                                         |
| Website:                   | <a href="http://www.jvs-boston.org">www.jvs-boston.org</a>                                                                                                              |
| Population served:         | Dominicans, Haitians, Iraqis, Somalis, and other Refugees & Immigrants                                                                                                  |
| Languages Spoken by Staff: | Amharic, Bosnian, Cape Verdean Creole, Chinese, Croatian, French<br>German, Haitian Creole, Hebrew, Italian, Lithuanian, Portuguese, Russian,<br>Spanish and Vietnamese |

**Career Solution:** Wide array of free and low-cost workshops ([www.careersolution.org](http://www.careersolution.org))

**Bridges to College:** A 23-week college preparation program which provides adult learners with the academic, social and financial competencies needed to succeed in higher education and ultimately transition into meaningful employment.

**ESOL Program:** Offers Basic, Beginning, Intermediate, & Advanced Classes of ESOL. Students practice all skill areas to prepare for next steps in employment or further educational opportunities. Computer instruction is integral to the curriculum.

**Certified Nursing Assistant Training Program:** Curriculum at JVS will consist of 100 hours of ESOL, plus computers, customer service, geriatric education, and medical terminology and anatomy.

**Hospitality Training Program:** Theoretical training (one week) and job shadowing (three weeks) for hotel positions. Career coaching provided during and after program.

**Transitions to Work:** A training program for 9-12 weeks for clients Between 18 and 35, that have a documented disability, completed high school, have transportation or can travel independently, can work a minimum of 20 hours per week.

Bank Teller Training Program, an Adult Diploma Program, Pharmacy Technician Training Program, and Food Service Training Program.

**\*ORI funded services** provide employment services to eligible refugees and other immigrants. Programs include CRES, ESSP, and TAG/F.

## Lowell Public Schools

155 Merrimack St., Lowell, MA 01852  
978-674-2108

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Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Website: [www.Lowell.k12.ma.us](http://www.Lowell.k12.ma.us)  
Population served: All populations

**Core Values of the Lowell Public Schools:** All students can perform at high standards, given sufficient time and support. All teachers can teach to high standards, given the right conditions and support.

**Core Services:** Communication, Oversight, and Shared Leadership that promote excellence in teaching and learning, resulting in improved academic achievement for students. Response to Instruction Model that allows for targeted instruction for all students and results in excellence in teaching and learning and improved academic achievement for students. Narrowing of the achievement and growth gaps for high needs student populations.

**The Refugee School Impact Grant:** provides funding for services for refugee and immigrant students in the Lowell Public Schools.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the RSI program.

## Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speakers

1046 Cambridge St., Cambridge, MA 02139  
617-864-7600

Paulo Pinto  
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Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.maps-inc.org](http://www.maps-inc.org)  
Population served: Brazilians, Cape Verdeans, Portuguese, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Cape Verdean Creole, Portuguese and Spanish

Locations: MAPS has offices in Brighton, Cambridge, Dorchester, Lowell, Framingham and Somerville

**Intimate Partner Abuse Education Program:** Batterer Intervention, Driver Alcohol Education, Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services, Elder Services/Cambridge Senior Center, Family Support Services and In-Home Therapy, HIV/STI Prevention & Screening, Immigrant Integration Services, and Medical Case Management for individuals living with HIV/AIDS.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition

105 Chauncy St., Suite 901, Boston, MA 02111  
617-350-5480

Eva Millona  
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emillona@miracoalition.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.miracoalition.org](http://www.miracoalition.org)  
Population served: Refugee and Immigrant Populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Spanish

**Justice AmeriCorps:** Program placing AmeriCorps attorneys at legal service organizations to provide legal representation for unaccompanied minors.

**New Americans Integration Program:** AmeriCorps program placing members at non-profits throughout the state to provide ESOL & citizenship assistance.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## MassHealth

100 Hancock St., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Quincy, MA 02171  
617-847-1250

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Cynthia.cheek@state.ma.us

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/masshealth](http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/masshealth)  
Population served: Haitians, Russians, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Cambodian, French, Russian and Spanish

**Children's Medical Security Plan (CMSP):** Provides health insurance for primary and preventive care for children and teenagers who do not have health care coverage.

**Health Safety Net:** Pays Massachusetts acute hospital and community health centers for certain health care services provided to low-income patients.

**Massachusetts Health Connector:** Provides access to health and dental insurance plans for individuals, families, and small businesses.

**\*ORI funded services** provide transitional medical coverage for refugees ineligible for Medicaid during the first 8 months after arrival through RMA program.

## Merrimack Valley Immigrant and Education Center

439 S. Union St., BLD 2, Basement, Lawrence MA 01843      Judy Chmielecki  
978-683-7316      Judy@mviiec.org

Hours of Operation:      Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Fridays by appointment  
Website:      <http://mviiec.org/>  
Population served:      Refugee and Immigrant populations  
Languages Spoken by Staff:      Chinese, Khmer, Spanish, and Vietnamese

Services provided INCLUDE: ESOL, Elder Outreach, Youth Writing and Workplace/Vocational ESOL.

**\*ORI funded services** provide citizenship support to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the CNAP program.

## Refugee & Immigrant Assistance Center – Boston Site

253 Roxbury Street, Boston, MA 02119      Mariam Gas  
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Mgas@riacboston.org

Hours of Operation:      Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website:      [www.riacboston.org](http://www.riacboston.org)  
Population served:      Afghans, Burmese, Congolese, Iraqis, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff:      Arabic, Farsi, Krio and Somali

**Community Support Services Lynn and Boston:** The program works in the community with refugees helping them access needed health care and mental health programs.

**Children’s Hospital Partnership:** Children’s Hospital contributes to research aimed at better understanding Somali family and community needs and ways mental health issues can be addressed.

**Community Counseling:** Community-based mental health and social support created to serve the unique needs of Refugees & Immigrants.

**Citizenship Program:** Application assistance for naturalization, naturalization interview preparation help, and other support services such as interpretation and referrals.

**Domestic Violence Prevention & Education:** The purpose is to empower and provide information to the refugee/immigrant community about domestic violence and offer direct support to victims.

**English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL):** Offers evening ESOL classes for adults who speak at a high beginner or intermediate level of English.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**The Muslim-African Women’s Network for Safety, Advocacy, & Protection (MAWNSAP):** Training to community-based service providers, criminal justice agencies and others who work with Muslim-African women who are victims/survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and/or dating violence.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as case management and social services. Programs include RCM, RCS, RHPP, RSI, and YAS.

## Refugee & Immigrant Assistant Center – Worcester Site

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| Hours of Operation:        | Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.                                          |
| Website:                   | <a href="http://www.riacboston.org">www.riacboston.org</a>               |
| Population served:         | Bhutanese, Congolese, Eritreans, Iraqis, and other Refugees & Immigrants |
| Languages Spoken by Staff: | Arabic, Hindi, Nepali and Somali                                         |

**Post Resettlement Services:** Staff with the help of volunteers and college interns provides on-going assistance and support to those refugees and refugee families needing help. Direct assistance, interpretation, medical case management, information and referral, employment counseling and cultural orientation are offered.

**Refugee Reception and Placement (R&P):** Resettlement, case management, placements, referrals, housing, medical appointments and screening, and cultural orientation.

**\*ORI funded services** provide case management services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including FLN, RCM and RCS programs.

## Russian Community Association of MA

330 Lynnway, Suite 302, Lynn, MA 01901  
781-593-0100

Natasha Soolkin  
Natasha.rcam@gmail.com

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.rcamlynn.org](http://www.rcamlynn.org)  
Population served: Afghans, Iraqis, Somalis, Sudanese, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Burmese, Farsi, Italian, Karen, Nepali, Pashtu, Russian, Spanish, Swahili and Tigrinya

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as employment services, social services, and citizen support. Programs include CNAP, ESSP, PEERS, TEAMWorks!, RCS, RHPP, RSI, YAS, and FLN.

## Somali Development Center

10 Malcolm X Blvd. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Roxbury, MA 02119  
617-522-0700

Abdi Yusuf  
617-938-7573  
[sdcboston@yahoo.com](mailto:sdcboston@yahoo.com)  
[Abdi@sdcboston.org](mailto:Abdi@sdcboston.org)

Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.sdcboston.org](http://www.sdcboston.org)  
Population served: Eritreans, Ethiopians, Somalis, Sudanese, and other Refugees & Immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Amharic, Arabic, Somali and Tigrinya

**Road to Economic Self Sufficiency (RESS):** A culturally based education and employment program designed to educate and increase the employment opportunities for young Somali and East African adults. RESS is their bridge to success and economic self-sufficiency. This program receives limited & competitive funding from the city of Boston.

**The Somali Women Rising (SWR):** This Program is designed to empower Somali and other East African refugee women to live successfully in their American community, and encourage self-sufficiency. This year-long program offers women language and literacy education and life skills classes in a culturally-safe space that builds tangible English and social skills.

**The First Step:** ESOL & Civics classes for adult/parent students ranging in age from 18 - 65 years of age. Many of beginning students are not literate in either English or their heritage languages such as Somali, Amharic and some other African languages. Classes are held 4 times a week for two hours.

**\*ORI funded services** provide services to eligible refugees and other immigrants such as social services and citizen support. Programs include CNAP, RCS, RHPP and YAS.

## Southeast Asian Coalition of Central Massachusetts

484 Main St, Suite 400, Worcester, MA 01608  
508-791-4373

Anh Vu Sawyer  
508-791-4373  
avsawyer@seacma.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Website: [www.seacma.org](http://www.seacma.org)  
Population served: Bhutanese, Burmese, Cambodians, Chinese, Filipinos, Iranians, Iraqis, Japanese, Koreans, Laotians, Nepali, and Vietnamese  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Cambodian, Karen, Nepali and Vietnamese

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the FLN program.

## Southern Sudanese Solidarity Organization

330 Lynnway, Suite 302, Lynn, MA 01901  
781-593-0100

James L Modi  
781-913-6048  
smamawoh@aol.com

Hours of Operation: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Wednesday 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Website: [www.sssomass.com](http://www.sssomass.com)  
Population served: Liberians, Sierra Leoneans, Sudanese, and other refugees and immigrants  
Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Creole and Dinka

**Massachusetts Behavior Health Partnership Program (MBHP):** SSSO provides Community Support Program those clients determined to have some mental health medical necessities. The CSP services helps clients to learn how to access Medical/Health services in different Hospitals and Health Centers and services in Local Community Resources.

**Urban Gardening:** The Organization works with clients to produce organic vegetables in raised beds. They use the produce for their consumption and sell surplus locally in the community. These raised beds act as forum for sharing adjustment information among clients.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants. Programs include RCS and RHPP.

## West Springfield Public Schools

26 Central St., West Springfield 01089  
413-263-3290

Michael Richard, Superintendent of Schools  
Natalia Belaya, [belaya@wsps.org](mailto:belaya@wsps.org)

Hours of Operation: Elementary Schools 8:05 a.m. – 3:05 p.m.  
Middle School 7:35 a.m. – 2:35 p.m.  
High School 7:05 a.m. – 2:05 p.m.

Website: [www.wsps.org](http://www.wsps.org)

Population served: Nepalese, Russian and Spanish

Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Nepali, Russian and Spanish

English Language Learners (ELL) Parent classes and family support translators are offered throughout the school year and during the summer months as well. Before and after-school tutoring and social events are held throughout the school year. In addition, ELL Summer School is offered for five weeks each summer and is open to all ELL students grades k-12.

**\*ORI funded services** provide social services to eligible refugees and other immigrants including the RSI program.

## Westfield Public Schools

22 Ashley St., Westfield, MA 01085  
413-263-3290

Denise Ruzala  
413-896-8140  
[d.ruzala@schoolsofwestfield.org](mailto:d.ruzala@schoolsofwestfield.org)

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Website: [www.schoolsofwestfield.org](http://www.schoolsofwestfield.org)

Population served: Bhutanese, Russians and Spanish

Languages Spoken by Staff: Arabic, Nepali, Russian and Spanish

English Language Learners (ELL) Parent classes and family support translators are offered throughout the school year and during the summer months as well. Before and after-school tutoring and social events are held throughout the school year. In addition, ELL Summer School is offered each summer and is open to all ELL students grades k-12.

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## EOHHS State Agencies

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| Executive Office of Health & Human Services<br>One Ashburton Place, 11th Floor, Boston, MA 02108 |                                                                                                  | Marylou Sudders – Secretary<br>Phone: 617-573-1600                      |
| <b>DCF</b>                                                                                       | Department of Children & Families<br>600 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111                        | Linda S. Spears – Commissioner<br>Phone: 617-748-2000                   |
| <b>DMH</b>                                                                                       | Department of Mental Health<br>25 Staniford St., Boston, MA 02114                                | Joan Mikula– Commissioner<br>Phone: 617-626-8000                        |
| <b>DPH</b>                                                                                       | Department of Public Health<br>250 Washington St., Boston, MA 02108                              | Monica Bharel– Commissioner<br>Phone: 617-624-6000                      |
| <b>DTA</b>                                                                                       | Department of Transitional Assistance<br>600 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111                    | Jeff McCue – Commissioner<br>Phone: 617-348-8400                        |
| <b>DVS</b>                                                                                       | Department of Veterans Services<br>600 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111                          | Francisco Urena–Secretary<br>Phone: 617-210-5480                        |
| <b>DYS</b>                                                                                       | Department of Youth Services<br>600 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111                             | Peter Forbes – Commissioner<br>Phone: 617-727-7575                      |
| <b>EOEA</b>                                                                                      | Executive Office of Elder Affairs<br>One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108                       | Alice F Bonner – Secretary<br>Phone: 617-727-7730                       |
| <b>MCB</b>                                                                                       | Massachusetts Commission for the Blind<br>600 Washington St. Boston, MA 02111                    | Paul Saner – Commissioner<br>Phone 1800-392-6556 TDD                    |
| <b>MCDHH</b>                                                                                     | Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing,<br>600 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111 | Heidi L. Reed – Commissioner<br>Phone: 617-740-1700 TTY                 |
| <b>MRC</b>                                                                                       | Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission<br>600 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111                  | Toni Wolf– Commissioner<br>Phone: 617-204-3603                          |
| <b>MassHealth</b>                                                                                | Office of Medicaid (MassHealth)<br>One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108                         | Dan Tsai – Assistant Secretary<br>for MassHealth<br>Phone: 617-573-1800 |
| <b>ORI</b>                                                                                       | Office of Refugees & Immigrants<br>600 Washington St., Boston, MA 02111                          | Mary Truong - Executive<br>Director<br>Phone: 617-960-3260              |

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Charles D. Baker, Governor  
Karyn Polito, Lieutenant Governor  
Marylou Sudders, Secretary  
Mary Truong, Executive Director



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## ***MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE FOR REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS***

***600 Washington St. 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Boston, MA 02111, Phone: 617-727-7888***

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