### CHUTZCHES AND CITIZENSHIP



Serving Refugee & Immigrant Neighbors Together



# How can a Church help refugees and immigrants navigate immigration issues?

#### Host a citizenship class

After residing in the United States for five years, refugees and many other immigrants can apply for U.S. Citizenship. Prospective citizens must prove their knowledge of English, American history, geography and government by answering questions about these subjects and showing ability to read and write English.

Having a class at your church is a way to offer tangible help and demonstrate Jesus' love to our refugee and immigrant neighbors who are journeying to citizenship. Arrive Ministries can help your church set up a citizenship class program by walking you through the process, providing contacts to other churches to see examples in action and providing in-class presentations about the citizenship process.

#### Refer immigrants to legal services

Church congregations often encounter people who have immigration issues but do not know how to help or available options. Arrive Ministries is accredited by the Board of Immigration Appeals to provide nonprofit immigration legal services. We believe that serving Jesus includes providing quality, low-cost immigration services for a wide variety of immigration issues. Even if Arrive Ministries cannot help in a particular situation we may know someone else who can.





## Volunteer or intern with Arrive Ministries

Consider coming alongside our Immigration Legal Services staff by helping with screenings, and providing practical and administrative support for refugee and immigrant cases.

#### Set up a church-based immigration service site

Arrive Ministries can provide help and connections for churches that want to explore the possibility of providing direct Board of Immigration Appeals accredited services to refugees and other immigrant populations.

#### Contact Us

To find out more about these opportunities please contact our office at 612-798-4332 or immigration@arriveministries.org