

**Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 USCIS Citizenship and Assimilation
Grant Program Recipient Organizations**

Individual Program Descriptions

Asian Americans Advancing Justice

Location: Los Angeles, CA

Award: \$250,000

For more than 20 years, Asian Americans Advancing Justice (AAAJ), formerly known as the Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California, has provided immigration legal services to Asian and Pacific Islander immigrants in the Los Angeles metro area. AAAJ was first awarded a USCIS grant in Fiscal Year (FY) 2013. With FY 2017 grant funding, AAAJ will continue to offer high quality citizenship instruction and naturalization application services to lawful permanent residents residing in the Los Angeles area and will partner with several Los Angeles Public Library branches. AAAJ will provide citizenship instruction to 990 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 320 lawful permanent residents.

Asian Counseling and Referral Service

Location: Seattle, WA

Award: \$250,000

Asian Counseling and Referral Service (ACRS) was established in 1973 and assists over 25,000 primarily Asian and Pacific Islander immigrants and refugees annually. ACRS has over 20 years of experience providing citizenship instruction and naturalization application services and has been accredited through the Department of Justice since 2005. Under the FY 2017 grant program, ACRS will expand and enhance services in the Rainier Valley, South King County, and Snohomish County. ACRS will provide citizenship instruction to 250 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 300 lawful permanent residents.

Asian Services in Action, Inc.

Location: Akron, OH

Award: \$228,250

First awarded in 2011, Asian Services in Action (ASIA) launched the Northeast Ohio Citizen Integration Program with four partner agencies that work together to provide citizenship instruction and naturalization application services to lawful permanent residents. ASIA serves clients primarily from the Asian and Pacific Islander community in the greater Cleveland area. To date, the program has enrolled over 800 students in citizenship classes, screened over 1,800 lawful permanent residents for naturalization eligibility, and assisted over 1,400 lawful permanent residents to prepare and submit Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. With this grant, ASIA will enroll 375 lawful permanent residents in its citizenship and interview preparation class, and along with its four sub-awardees, provide naturalization application services to 400 lawful permanent residents.

Association of Africans Living in Vermont**Location: Burlington, VT****Award: \$213,249**

The Association of Africans Living in Vermont (AALV) has delivered citizenship and English as a Second Language (ESL) instruction services for approximately five years and naturalization application services for just under three years. AALV serves clients from Bhutan, Somalia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Myanmar, along with several other smaller groups. With FY 2017 funding, AALV will provide citizenship instruction across three instructional levels to 336 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 280 lawful permanent residents.

Baker-Ripley**Location: Bellaire, TX****Award: \$250,000**

Formerly known as Neighborhood Centers Inc., Baker-Ripley established its Immigration & Citizenship Program in 2006. The program connects lawful permanent residents to ESL classes and provides naturalization application assistance and test and interview preparation. First funded by USCIS in FY 2015, Baker-Ripley serves clients from over 15 different countries including Mexico, Honduras, and El Salvador. With FY 2017 grant funding, Baker-Ripley will continue to provide citizenship instruction to 300 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 215 lawful permanent residents in the Greater Houston area.

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans, Inc.**Location: New Orleans, LA****Award: \$250,000**

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans, Inc. (CCANO) has offered ESL and citizenship classes for over 25 years at multiple sites in the Greater New Orleans area. First awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2013, CCANO primarily serves Latino and Asian populations, but is increasingly serving populations from around the world. With FY 2017 funding, CCANO will be the only service provider in the Greater New Orleans area to offer comprehensive citizenship services at multiple sites. CCANO will provide citizenship instruction to 240 lawful permanent residents and provide naturalization application services to 240 lawful permanent residents.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Fort Worth, Inc.**Location: Fort Worth, TX****Award: \$250,000**

Catholic Charities Diocese of Fort Worth, Inc. (CCFW) has provided the Fort Worth immigrant community with ESL classes since 1992 and with immigration legal services since 1983. CCFW was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2010. The program serves lawful permanent residents from Mexico, Iraq, Bhutan, Burma, El Salvador, and Cuba, among others. With FY 2017 grant funding, CCFW will enroll 510 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction classes and assist 300 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas, Inc.

Location: Overland Park, KS

Award: \$250,000

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas (CCNEK), a community-based and faith-based organization, has more than 35 years of experience serving the needs of new Americans in the region. Since receiving the grant from USCIS in FY 2015, the Citizenship Preparation Program has served more than 240 individual lawful permanent residents seeking naturalization, and will serve 220 more lawful permanent residents by the end of the grant period. It is anticipated that with FY 2017 grant funding, CCNEK will provide citizenship instruction to 225 lawful permanent residents and provide naturalization application services to 225 lawful permanent residents.

Catholic Charities of Orange County, Inc.

Location: Santa Ana, CA

Award: \$250,000

Catholic Charities of Orange County, Inc. (CCOC) has provided free citizenship instruction and naturalization application services to immigrants since 1976. An affiliate of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and a member of Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc., CCOC was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2010. CCOC primarily serves lawful permanent residents from Mexico, El Salvador, Guatemala, Philippines, and Vietnam. With FY 2017 grant funding, CCOC will provide 250 lawful permanent residents with citizenship instruction and 300 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Center for Legal Immigration Assistance

Location: Lincoln, NE

Award: \$250,000

The Center for Legal Immigration Assistance (CLIA) has more than 14 years of experience in working with immigrants and refugees. CLIA is partnering with two local non-profits to provide citizenship instruction: the Asian Community & Cultural Center and El Centro de las Americas. CLIA and its partners intend to serve lawful permanent residents from 56 countries who have settled in Lincoln. With FY 2017 grant funding, CLIA and its partners will enroll 300 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction and assist 300 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Center for Pan Asian Community Services, Inc. of Georgia

Location: Atlanta, GA

Award: \$100,000

Since its inception 37 years ago, the Center for Pan Asian Community Services, Inc. of Georgia (CPACS) has been providing ESL instruction to immigrants in Atlanta. In 2007, CPACS transitioned their ESL classes to focus on English literacy and civics. CPACS serves over 20 different ethnic groups and is the first, largest, and longest-standing non-profit agency focused on Asian Americans in the southern United States. The most common countries of origin that CPACS serves include South Korea, China, Vietnam, Bhutan, and Myanmar. With FY 2017 grant funding, CPACS plans to expand its citizenship instruction program and enroll 150 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction classes.

Central American Resource Center of California**Location: Los Angeles, CA****Award: \$250,000**

Central American Resource Center of California (CARECEN) has provided naturalization application services for over 20 years and citizenship education services for eight years. CARECEN first received a USCIS grant in FY 2009. CARECEN proposes to reach underserved areas of Los Angeles through strategic partnerships with the Los Angeles Public Library, the County of Los Angeles Public Library, a City of Los Angeles designated “Family Source Center,” and a Community Resource Center funded by the County of Los Angeles. The majority of CARECEN’s clients come from El Salvador, Guatemala, and Mexico. CARECEN will provide citizenship instruction to 360 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 400 lawful permanent residents.

Church World Service, Inc.**Location: Durham, NC****Award: \$249,992**

Church World Service (CWS) has provided services to refugees and immigrants in central North Carolina since 2009. Their partner, Orange County Literacy Council, has provided citizenship instruction since 2010. With FY 2017 grant funds, CWS will serve rural, low-educated, elderly, and disabled immigrant populations. CWS anticipates the majority of clients will come from Mexico, Burma, Colombia, El Salvador, Honduras, Iraq, and Vietnam. CWS and its partner plan to enroll 214 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction and provide naturalization application services to 214 lawful permanent residents.

Coalition of Florida Farmworker Organizations**Location: Florida City, FL****Award: \$250,000**

The Coalition of Florida Farmworker Organizations (COFFO) has been providing ESL to migrant farm workers since 1987, and civics and citizenship classes and naturalization application services since 1986. With FY 2017 funding, COFFO plans to enroll 200 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction and provide naturalization applications services to 250 lawful permanent residents.

Colorado African Organization**Location: Denver, CO****Award: \$249,998**

The Colorado African Organization, a USCIS grant recipient since FY 2011, plans to build upon successful current programming to ensure the ongoing availability of relevant, high-quality citizenship instruction and naturalization services for lawful permanent residents in Colorado. The Colorado Collaborative Citizenship Program (CCCP) is a partnership of three Denver and Aurora-based organizations: Colorado African Organization; Community College of Aurora; and Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains. The partnership provides a unique opportunity to reach multiple diverse and underserved populations eligible for citizenship while leveraging each organization’s extensive expertise and capacity. With FY 2017 funding, the CCCP plans to enroll 300 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction and provide naturalization application services to 210 lawful permanent residents.

Emerald Isle Immigration Center**Location: New York, NY****Award: \$250,000**

Since 1988, Emerald Isle Immigration Center (EIIC) has provided legal assistance and social services to immigrants in the New York City boroughs of Queens, Brooklyn, and the Bronx. EIIC was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2011. With FY 2017 funding, EIIC will continue providing citizenship instruction and naturalization application services to clients from India, Bangladesh, Colombia, Dominica, Ecuador, Guyana, Jamaica, Mexico, Nepal, Peru, El Salvador, and Trinidad and Tobago. With FY 2017 funding, EIIC will provide citizenship instruction to 560 lawful permanent residents and provide naturalization application services to 320 lawful permanent residents.

English Skills Learning Center**Location: Salt Lake City, UT****Award: \$250,000**

Since 1988, the English Skills Learning Center (ESLC) has provided English language instruction through small group classes and tutoring to underserved immigrants. ESLC partners with Catholic Community Services of Utah to provide naturalization application services. ESLC was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2011. With FY 2017 grant funding, ESLC will continue to serve refugees and immigrants from Mexico, Somalia, Sudan, Burma, Iraq, Burundi, Bosnia, Bhutan, and Peru, among other countries, and will provide citizenship instruction to 400 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 450 lawful permanent residents.

Fresno Unified School District**Location: Fresno, CA****Award: \$250,000**

Fresno Adult School (FAS), a public adult education organization, and its sub-awardee the San Joaquin College of Law (SJCL), have provided citizenship and naturalization services for five years. They were previously funded under the USCIS grant in FY 2012 and FY 2014. The lawful permanent residents they intend to serve with FY 2017 funding include members of the local Hispanic and Asian communities. FAS will provide citizenship instruction to 300 lawful permanent residents and SJCL will provide naturalization application services to 280 lawful permanent residents.

HIAS and Council Migration Service**Location: Philadelphia, PA****Award: \$250,000**

Through the Philadelphia Citizenship Action Network (P-CAN), HIAS and Council Migration Service (HIAS) of Philadelphia propose to partner with several agencies to increase naturalization rates in underserved immigrant communities. HIAS was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2012. With FY 2017 funding, the P-CAN partnership will provide citizenship instruction to 220 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 200 lawful permanent residents.

Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota**Location: St. Paul, MN****Award: \$250,000**

The Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota (ILCM) and its sub-awardee the Minnesota Literacy Council (MLC) will provide citizenship instruction and naturalization application preparation services. Both agencies are well-established and recognized by the immigrant communities in Minnesota. ILCM has been providing naturalization application services for 21 years and MLC has provided ESL services for 45 years and citizenship instruction to immigrants and refugees for 17 years. ILCM was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2013. With FY 2017 funding, ILCM and MLC will provide services to immigrants from Latin America and Somalia, as well as the Hmong and Karen communities. MLC plans to enroll 270 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction and provide 256 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Instituto del Progreso Latino**Location: Chicago, IL****Award: \$250,000**

Since 1977, Instituto del Progreso Latino (Instituto) has supported Hispanic immigrants and their families on the Southwest Side of Chicago. Through its Pathways to Citizenship program, a multi-level literacy and educational initiative, Instituto specializes in helping elderly and low-literate immigrants from Mexico overcome barriers to education. Instituto was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2011. With FY 2017 grant funding, Instituto plans to enroll 550 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction and provide 500 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Interfaith Works of Central New York, Inc.**Location: Syracuse, NY****Award: \$100,000**

Interfaith Works (IFW) of Central New York, Inc. has provided ESL and citizenship preparation classes since 2013. IFW primarily serves students from Cuba, Afghanistan, Iraq, Congo, Burma, Ukraine, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Burundi, Eritrea, and Bhutan. IFW views this grant program as an opportunity to expand its current program and intends to enroll 125 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction.

International Institute of the Bay Area**Location: San Francisco, CA****Award: \$250,000**

The International Institute of the Bay Area (IIBA) has provided legal and educational services to immigrants in the San Francisco Bay Area for 99 years. IIBA was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2010. IIBA serves lawful permanent residents primarily from Latin America, many of whom are elderly and low-literate. With FY 2017 funding, IIBA will continue its current offering of citizenship classes and will enroll 275 lawful permanent residents in citizenship instruction and provide naturalization application services to 275 lawful permanent residents.

The International Institute of Metro Detroit**Location: Detroit, MI****Award: \$250,000**

Since its inception in 1919, the International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit (IIMD) has assisted thousands of lawful permanent residents to become U.S. citizens. IIMD was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2014. With FY 2017 grant funding, IIMD will provide education and legal services to lawful permanent residents in the Detroit metro area. Participants come from more than 17 countries, including Albania, Iraq and Lebanon. IIMD will provide citizenship instruction to 200 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 200 lawful permanent residents.

International Institute of Metropolitan St. Louis**Location: St. Louis, MO****Award: \$250,000**

Founded in 1919, the International Institute of St. Louis (IISTL) is a social service agency that currently has the largest adult ESL program in the St. Louis area. IISTL was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2009. With FY 2017 funding, IISTL will add classes to its existing citizenship instruction program. IISTL serves lawful permanent residents from Afghanistan, Bhutan, Burma, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iraq, and Somalia, among others. IISTL will provide citizenship instruction to 250 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 220 lawful permanent residents.

International Rescue Committee, Inc. San Diego**Location: San Diego, CA****Award: \$250,000**

Established in 1975, the International Rescue Committee in San Diego (IRC) is a refugee resettlement agency that provides comprehensive social services to immigrants in the San Diego metro area. IRC was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2009. IRC plans to serve lawful permanent residents who are primarily from Iraq, Mexico, Vietnam, and Somalia. With FY 2017 funding, IRC will provide citizenship instruction to 550 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 1,250 lawful permanent residents.

Jewish Family Service of San Diego**Location: San Diego, CA****Award: \$250,000**

Jewish Family Service of San Diego (JFS) has provided services to refugees and immigrants since 1918. The agency serves low-income, underserved individuals from Afghanistan, Burma, Colombia, Cuba, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Iraq, Mexico, Philippines, Russia, Ukraine, Somalia, and Vietnam, among others. JFS was first awarded a USCIS grant in 2011 as a sub-awardee. With FY 2017 funding, JFS will expand its services to provide 300 lawful permanent residents with citizenship instruction and 400 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Jewish Family Service of Western Massachusetts

Location: Springfield, MA

Award: \$250,000

JFS has provided citizenship and naturalization services for six years and its sub-awardee, Valley Opportunity Council (VOC), has taught citizenship for 16 years. JFS was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2013. With FY 2017 funding, JFS and VOC will provide citizenship instruction to 240 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to approximately 224 lawful permanent residents.

Jewish Family and Vocational Service of Middlesex County, Inc.

Location: Milltown, NJ

Award: \$250,000

Jewish Family and Vocational Service of Middlesex County, Inc. (JFVS) has provided ESL instruction to immigrants and refugees since 1988. JFVS was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2010. JFVS serves individuals from a variety of countries, including Bangladesh, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, India, Liberia, Mexico, Pakistan, Russia, Sierra Leone, and Ukraine. With FY 2017 funding, JFVS will provide citizenship instruction to 365 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 350 lawful permanent residents.

Kentucky Refugee Ministries, Inc.

Location: Louisville, KY

Award: \$250,000

Kentucky Refugee Ministries, Inc. (KRM) has provided citizenship preparation services since 2002 to immigrants in the Louisville metro area. KRM first received a USCIS grant in FY 2013. KRM serves lawful permanent residents from Bhutan, Burma, Cuba, and Iraq, among other countries. Many are pre-literate, elderly, or single parents. KRM will provide 280 lawful permanent residents with citizenship instruction classes and 575 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Keystone Opportunity Center, Inc. of Pennsylvania

Location: Souderton, PA

Award: \$100,000

Keystone Opportunity Center (KOC) has over 40 years of experience providing ESL in the community and currently provides ESL instruction to approximately 260 lawful permanent residents each year. KOC serves students from many countries, including Bangladesh, Egypt, India, Mexico, El Salvador, Honduras, Dominican Republic, Colombia, Venezuela, Algeria, Vietnam, China, South Korea, Spain, Poland, Russia, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. With FY 2017 funding, KOC provide citizenship instruction to an additional 125 lawful permanent residents.

Latin American Association**Location: Atlanta, GA****Award: \$250,000**

The Latin American Association (LAA) has been providing English language and civics classes to immigrants for over 20 years. With FY 2017 grant funding, LAA will provide citizenship preparation services to lawful permanent residents at the low intermediate level at LAA service centers in Atlanta, Lawrenceville, Athens, and Dalton. LAA will provide citizenship instruction to 300 lawful permanent residents and provide naturalization application services to 250 lawful permanent residents.

Lutheran Community Services Northwest**Location: Portland, OR****Award: \$250,000**

Lutheran Community Services Northwest (LCSNW) has provided services since 1921, naturalization application services for 37 years, and citizenship instruction for 21 years. LCSNW will target low-income lawful permanent residents residing in the Portland metropolitan area, as well as Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas counties. LCSNW first received funding from USCIS in 2010. Through this grant, CSNW will provide citizenship instruction to 250 lawful permanent residents and provide naturalization application services to 200 lawful permanent residents.

Make the Road New York**Location: New York, NY****Award: \$250,000**

Founded in 1992, Make the Road New York (MRNY) is a community-based organization that provides a variety of social services to immigrants in the New York City metro area. With centers in Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, and Brentwood, and Long Island, MRNY provides citizenship instruction and naturalization application services to New York City's Hispanic immigrant neighborhoods. MRNY was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2010. FY 2017 funding will enable MRNY to continue its Pathways to Citizenship Initiative, which includes four year-round citizenship classes that would not be possible without USCIS funding. The program anticipates providing citizenship instruction to 424 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 300 lawful permanent residents.

Montgomery College**Location: Rockville, MD****Award: \$250,000**

Since 2001, Montgomery College (MC) has offered citizenship preparation classes to lawful permanent residents in Montgomery County, Maryland. MC was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2010. MC will continue its partnership with Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Washington, Inc. to provide naturalization application services. MC primarily serves lawful permanent residents from El Salvador, Honduras, China, Iran, Peru, and Ethiopia. With FY 2017 funding, MC will provide citizenship instruction to 440 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 240 lawful permanent residents.

Nashville International Center for Empowerment of Tennessee**Location: Nashville, TN****Award: \$99,908**

Founded in 2005, Nashville International Center for Empowerment of Tennessee (NICE) has served over 20,000 refugees and immigrants from over 72 nations with a broad spectrum of services helping fulfill refugee needs from arrival through self-sufficiency. In 2016, NICE provided over 750 lawful permanent residents with citizenship instruction. With FY 2017 funding, NICE will offer additional citizenship classes in Rutherford, Sumner, and Davidson counties, and will provide citizenship instruction to 360 lawful permanent residents.

The North Bergen Free Public Library**Location: North Bergen, NJ****Award: \$99,228**

The North Bergen Free Public Library has been providing ESL instruction for 15 years, and in the past year it has served 930 lawful permanent residents primarily from Central and South America. With FY 2017 funding, the North Bergen Free Public Library will provide citizenship instruction to 200 lawful permanent residents.

Pars Equality Center of California**Location: Sherman Oaks, CA****Award: \$100,000**

The Pars Equality Center of California (PARS) has been providing citizenship instruction classes to Iranian refugees for the past three years. With FY 2017 grant funding, PARS will expand its current citizenship and assimilation program and will provide citizenship instruction to 200 lawful permanent residents.

Progreso Latino, Inc.**Location: Central Falls****Award: \$250,000**

Progreso Latino, Inc., a social service provider for 36 years, leads the Rhode Island Citizenship Consortium (the Consortium), a group of five nonprofit agencies each with 20 years of experience serving the immigrant community. Progreso Latino was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2009. With FY 2017 grant funding, Progreso Latino will offer additional courses and citizenship clinics. Clients include lawful permanent residents from the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Portugal, Cape Verde, Liberia, and Cambodia. The Consortium will provide 432 lawful permanent residents with citizenship instruction and 460 lawful permanent residents with naturalization application services.

Project Learn of Summit County of Ohio**Location: Akron, OH****Award: \$100,000**

Project Learn of Summit County of Ohio (PLSC) has been providing ESL instruction to lawful permanent residents since 2006. With FY 2017 grant funding, PLSC will expand its current citizenship program from two classes to four, and will provide citizenship instruction to approximately 200 lawful permanent residents.

The Resurrection Project**Location: Chicago, IL****Award: \$250,000**

The Resurrection Project (TRP) and its sub-awardee, Erie Neighborhood House (ENH), together have over 20 years of experience assisting lawful permanent residents to prepare for U.S. citizenship. With FY 2017 funding, TRP and ENH will provide naturalization application services and citizenship instruction to lawful permanent residents in and around Chicago's southwest side. With FY 2017 funding, they will provide citizenship instruction to 200 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 400 lawful permanent residents.

The School Board of Miami-Dade County**Location: Miami, FL****Award: \$250,000**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County (Miami-Dade) is Florida's largest provider of English literacy and citizenship education. Miami-Dade was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2010. With FY 2017 grant funding, Miami-Dade will continue its partnership with Catholic Legal Services of the Archdiocese of Miami, to manage its Fast Track to Citizenship Program. The program serves lawful permanent residents from Cuba, Haiti, the Dominican Republic, and Venezuela, among other countries. Miami-Dade will provide citizenship instruction to 600 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 300 lawful permanent residents.

SEIU 1199 League Training and Upgrading Fund**Location: New York, NY****Award: \$250,000**

Since its inception in 2000, the SEIU 1199 League Training and Upgrading Fund (SEIU) has assisted thousands of healthcare workers in obtaining citizenship. With FY 2017 grant funding, SEIU will continue its partnership with the SEIU 1199 National Benefits Fund to provide education and legal services to lawful permanent residents in the New York City metro area. Participants come from more than 70 countries, including the Dominican Republic, Guyana, Haiti, Trinidad and Tobago, Ghana, and Nigeria. With FY 2017 funding, SEIU will provide citizenship instruction to 200 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 200 lawful permanent residents.

Shorefront YM-YWHA of Brighton-Manhattan Beach**Location: New York, NY****Award: \$250,000**

Since 1970, Shorefront YM-YWHA of Brighton-Manhattan Beach (Shorefront Y) has provided direct services to immigrants from the former Soviet Union, China, and Latin America. Shorefront Y was first awarded a USCIS grant in FY 2011. With FY 2017 grant funding, Shorefront Y will continue to provide citizenship preparation services to underserved lawful permanent residents in Brooklyn, including victims of domestic violence and disabled and homebound persons. Shorefront Y will provide citizenship instruction to 420 lawful permanent residents and naturalization application services to 670 lawful permanent residents.

YMCA of the University of Illinois

Location: Champaign, IL

Award: \$100,000

Through its New American Welcome Center, the YMCA of the University of Illinois helps immigrants assimilate into American society, and enrolls up to 300 students in ESL classes annually. With FY 2017 funding, the YMCA of the University of Illinois will provide citizenship instruction to 125 lawful permanent residents.