## **From Our Clients**

I am very grateful as now I am able to live in the U.S. legally.

Thank God Just Neighbors was able to help me get my legal documents and l was able to find employment because of this. Thank you!

Just Neighbors helped tremendously in navigating the legal system while trying to apply for DACA. It was something that had to be done but that completely overwhelmed me. Finding such a great organization and staff that takes you step by step eased my anxiety and gave me great opportunities. I was always well-informed and I trusted that I was in good hands.

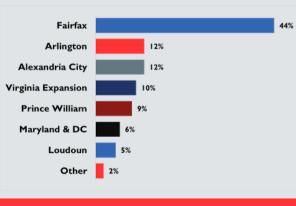


## IN 2020 WE SERVED





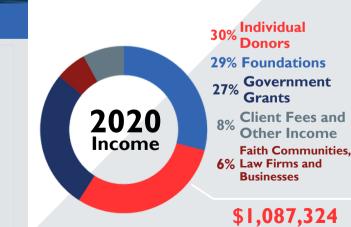




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Hope Through Immigration Legal Services



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#### BIG ACHIEVEMENTS AT JUST NEIGHBORS IN 2020

#### **3 NEW ATTORNEYS**

Added three new attorneys, including a new position, Managing Attorney of Rural Programs

#### WARRENTON OFFICE

Opened an office in Warrenton, Virginia to serve rural areas

#### UNINTERRUPTED SERVICE

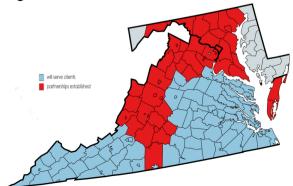
Increased client case load despite the pandemic

#### ADVOCACY

Collaborated with local partners to successfully advocate for instate tuition and driver's licenses for all in Virginia

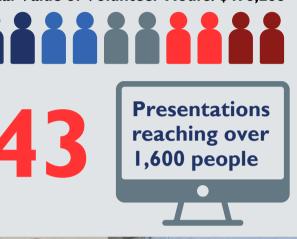
#### **DC - MD MERGER**

Merged with DC-MD Justice For Our Neighbors and now serve Washington D.C., Maryland and Virginia



# **I 58 Volunteers**

1,237 Volunteer Attorney Hours 4,625 Non-attorney Hours Total Value of Volunteer Hours: \$498,288





## **2020 Board of Directors:**

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#### Providing Immigration Legal Services to Those With a Legal Pathway

For 24 years, Just Neighbors has served more than 15,000 clients from 150 countries by helping low-income immigrants obtain the documentation to which they are legally entitled. We believe that investing in immigration legal services positively impacts a family's overall stability in the United States. Requiring individuals to pay expensive fees for these services forces families to choose between paying for legal services or for basic needs like food and housing. Research shows that granting legal status and citizenship to immigrants increases their income level, chances of home ownership, education level and access to health care.

Focusing on humanitarian cases, Just Neighbors staff attorneys and many volunteers serve the most vulnerable immigrants in our community, many who are:

- Refugees and asylees
- Survivors of domestic violence and other violent crimes
- Dreamers (immigrants brought to U.S. as children)
- Those issued Temporary Protected Status (TPS) because of armed conflict or natural disasters in their homelands
- Families seeking general advice about their status
- Trafficking victims
- Asylum seekers

Just Neighbors is able to respond to the changing immigration legal framework because of our unrestricted funding from private foundations, donors, corporations and faith communities.

As we maintain our focus on those who are least likely to get help elsewhere, we are forced to turn away 75% of callers due to capacity limitations. To support this work or seek legal help, see www.justneighbors.org.

### 76 Countries of Origin



Top IO countries in 2020 El Salvad Hondur Mexico Guatem Peru

El Salvador Afghanistan Honduras Bolivia Mexico Ethiopia Guatemala Egypt Peru Eritrea



40% Escape Violence
20% Advice and Counsel
22% Work Authorization
13% Family Reunification
4% Citizenship

The mission of Just Neighbors is to provide high-quality immigration legal services to low-income immigrants, asylees and refugees in Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia; and, to build community among clients, staff, volunteers and the larger society through education, advocacy, and volunteerism.

