

COLLECTIVE IMPACT PARTNERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

COMMUNITY NEED

When immigrants and refugees are effectively integrated, including a mutual understanding of culture and language, assistance with employment and business opportunities, and supports to raise healthy families, then **entire community benefits**. Immigrant and refugee residents of Lancaster County contribute greatly to the local community and economy, and can do so even more when given the tools and resources they need to **overcome linguistic, educational, and financial barriers** to their longterm success in their new community.



MAJOR SUCCESSES

100

individuals earned their citizenship status with help from ISfNA

Average hourly wage of those who gained employment through ISfNA increased 14% from **\$10.13** to **\$11.57**

855

new Americans have gained employment with help from ISfNA

BOLD GOAL ADDRESSED



100% of students and adults will have post-secondary credentials.

OUR SOLUTION

Integration Services for New Americans (ISfNA) aims to expand the services offered to immigrants and refugees, including increased **access to language services, health care and immunizations, career services, cultural navigation programs**, and VITA income tax services. This partnership also aims to further develop preschool learning programs for refugee and immigrant children, and post-secondary adult education programs to help both children and adults thrive in their school and work settings. Additionally, in conjunction with the Lancaster County Immigration and Refugee Coalition, ISfNA will be **working with the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce for outreach and resources to employers** and the City of Lancaster to enhance immigrant integration through the Certified Welcoming Standard framework.

KEY PARTNERS

The Literacy Council of Lancaster-Lebanon
 Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 (IU13)
 School District of Lancaster
 Church World Services- Lancaster
 Bethany Christian Services
 Lancaster Health Center

United Way of
 Lancaster County



“ ONE THING IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE FAMILIES HAVE IN COMMON IS THE HOPE THAT THEIR CHILDREN WILL BE SUCCESSFUL. THROUGH THIS PARTNERSHIP, WE ARE LEVERAGING THIS DESIRE INTO ACTION THAT WILL HELP THESE FAMILIES PROSPER. ”



Lancaster County Refugee and Immigrant Coalition (LCRC) is formed to serve refugees and immigrants in our community

ISfNA intentionally partners with 4 other Collective Impact Partnerships to connect services across the county and plans to partner with 5 more starting in July 2018

