The Capital Area Immigrants’ Rights Coalition strives to ensure equal justice for all immigrant men, women, and children at risk of detention and deportation in the DC metropolitan area and beyond through direct legal representation, know your rights presentations, impact and advocacy work, and the training of attorneys defending immigrants in the immigration and criminal justice arenas.
LEGAL ASSISTANCE & OTHER DIRECT SERVICES

CAIR Coalition’s Adult Detention Program provides “Know your Rights” presentations, individual consultations and access to pro bono representation to immigrants detained in jails in Maryland and Virginia by Immigrants and Customs Enforcement. In addition, we assist arriving asylum seekers with their credible fear interviews at the Arlington Asylum Office. We also participate in the Board of Immigration Appeals Pro Bono Appeals Project which identifies pro se litigants who could benefit from the assistance of pro bono counsel at the appeal stage. In addition to our detention work, CAIR Coalition partners with the DC Bar Pro Bono Program to provide brief immigration advice and referrals to low-income DC residents. We also assist detainees who have won release with post-release needs, such as housing and social service referrals. Clients served by this program include arriving asylum seekers as well as long term residents of the United States facing permanent exile for family and friends.

CAIR Coalition’s Detained Children’s Program provides legal services to unaccompanied immigrant children ages 9 to 17 detained at four juvenile facilities in Virginia, as well as those who are reunified with family in DC, Maryland and Virginia. These services include “Know your Rights” presentations, individual consultations, and securing pro bono counsel to represent the children in immigration court. The majority of children served by this program have fled horrific levels of gang violence in Central America.

CAIR Coalition’s Virginia Justice Program offers resources and assistance to Virginia’s indigent defense providers concerning the immigration consequences of criminal convictions and engages in related litigation and advocacy efforts. The Virginia Justice Program works to minimize disproportionate immigration penalties that often accompany criminal convictions for noncitizen residents in Virginia, including prolonged immigration detention and deportation.

2015 ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN DIRECT SERVICE

1,660 detained immigrant adults were provided with an individualized screening to determine if they qualify for an immigration benefit.

176 detained immigrant children and adults in removal proceedings received pro bono legal assistance, greatly improving their chances of winning their cases.

140 individual case consultations on immigration consequences of criminal convictions to attorneys for public defender offices and appointed counsel throughout Virginia.

72 non-detained immigrants received brief legal advice and counsel at the DC Bar Pro Bono Program’s quarterly immigration clinic.

17 asylum seekers received volunteer assistance to prepare them for their credible/reasonable fear interviews thereby increasing their chances of passing these interviews and being permitted to apply for asylum.

91 jail visits provided 800+ adult immigrants detained each month in jails in Virginia and Maryland with access to legal orientations and pro se materials.

1,660 detained immigrant adults were provided with an individualized screening to determine if they qualify for an immigration benefit.

31 pro se workshops at two Virginia facilities were provided to detainees to educate them on a variety of topics including deportation defense, asylum and immigration court proceedings.

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546 unaccompanied immigrant children between the ages of 11 and 17 detained at juvenile facilities in Virginia and Maryland received legal assistance.
CAIR Coalition advocates for the rights of immigrants in collaboration with, and on behalf of, our members and coalition partners.

- **DMV DAPA Collaborative**: Legal service providers, law firms, law schools and bar associations from DC, Virginia and Maryland committed to maximizing the number of individuals in DC, Maryland and Virginia who benefit from the President’s November 2014 executive order.
- **Children’s Collaborative**: Non-profit organizations and law school clinics that assist children with the goal of increasing access to legal counsel for detained and non-detained children.
- **Crim-Imm Collaborative**: Legal service providers throughout DC, Virginia and Maryland working at the intersection of immigration and criminal law.
- **Liaison Meetings**: CAIR Coalition continues to coordinate regularly scheduled liaison meetings with the local USCIS Asylum Office and District Office for our coalition members and partners.

### 2015 COALITION MEMBERS AND PARTNERS

- American Bar Association’s Commission on Immigration
- ACLU Immigrants’ Rights Project
- American Immigration Council
- Asian Pacific American Bar Association
- Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center
- AYUDA
- CARECEN
- Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Services
- CLINIC
- District of Columbia Bar’s Pro Bono Center
- Hispanic Bar Association of DC
- Human Rights First
- Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild
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- Legal Aid Justice Center
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- National Immigrant Justice Center
- New Bridges Immigrant Resource Center
- Northern Virginia Family Service
- Physicians for Human Rights
- Tahirih Justice Center
- TASSC
- Virginia Coalition of Latino Organizations (VACOLAO)
- Whitman-Walker Health
- Women’s Refugee Commission
- World Relief

### EDUCATION AND TRAINING

CAIR Coalition is committed to increasing the number of pro bono attorneys trained to represent detained immigrants who wish to fight deportation, often through asylum or similar types of immigration relief. CAIR Coalition offers frequent trainings on issues related to detention and deportation with a particular emphasis on the most vulnerable individuals such as arriving asylum seekers, those suffering from severe mental illness, and unaccompanied immigrant children. CAIR Coalition also partners with other non-profit organizations to provide trainings for the local immigrant community.

- Introductory trainings on representing immigrants in detention for over 160 prospective pro bono attorneys at numerous local law firms and in-house corporate legal departments
- Immigration Consequences trainings for appointed counsel sponsored by the Virginia Indigent Commission and for eight Virginia public defender offices.
- A CLE on criminal/immigration issues for defense attorneys, judges, and prosecutors in Virginia.
- Special Immigrant Juvenile Status training held in conjunction with Legal Aid Justice Center through the Virginia State Bar in Richmond, VA.
DONATING TO CAIR COALITION IS A GREAT RETURN ON INVESTMENT  
In 2015, CAIR Coalition leveraged over $8,000,000 in pro bono legal assistance for detained children and adults who otherwise would have gone unrepresented in court. Every dollar invested in CAIR Coalition leveraged an additional $5.58 to support critical efforts to insure that immigrants are treated with fairness, dignity and respect for their human and civil rights.

**ASSETS**  
FY 2015  
Cash and Cash Equivalents $193,547  
Contributions Receivable $60,000  
Accounts Receivable $153,440  
Prepaid Expenses $35,269  
Furniture and Equipment, Net $16,000  
Deposit $3,808  
TOTAL ASSETS $462,064

**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**  
Accounts Payable $28,583  
Accrued Vacation $37,474  
Deferred Rent $2,254  
Deferred Revenue $6,833  
TOTAL LIABILITIES $75,144  
NET ASSETS $298,920  
Net Assets, Beginning of Period $351,069  
Change in Net Assets $35,851  
TOTAL NET ASSETS $386,920  
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS $462,064

**REVENUE AND SUPPORT**  
Grants and Contributions $568,115  
Contract Revenue $968,270  
Donated Services $8,117,112  
Interest and Dividends $176  
Membership and Other Income $5,231  
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT $9,658,904

**EXPENSES**  
Program Services $9,401,485  
Supporting Services  
  Fundraising $87,145  
  General and Administration $134,423  
TOTAL EXPENSES $9,623,053  
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS $35,851  
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD $351,069  
NET ASSETS, END OF PERIOD $386,920
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Christopher (name changed) is a 16 year old boy who grew up in a small town in Guatemala. Prior to arriving in the United States, Christopher experienced extreme physical and verbal abuse because his family and community perceived him to be gay. After he managed to escape from an attempted sexual attack and started receiving death threats from a gang, Christopher fled for his life.

After making the treacherous journey through Central America, Christopher was picked up by border patrol and placed in a facility for unaccompanied immigrant children served by CAIR Coalition in Virginia. After meeting with CAIR Coalition staff and sharing the past horrors he had experienced, CAIR Coalition found a pro bono attorney to represent Christopher in his application for asylum. Christopher recently won his asylum claim and now resides safely with his father in Maryland and looks forward to living free from persecution in the United States.

“Day in and day out, I am challenged, inspired, and educated by the people I meet inside the immigration detention centers, who above all, have taught me this: people are strong.”

-- Abigail Moyer, CAIR Coalition Senior Attorney

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“CAIR Coalition has reaffirmed my belief in the power of individuals to unite for positive change in the face of structural adversity”

– Maya Barak, CAIR Coalition volunteer
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