

#BeGolden was born from the belief that if we put ourselves in other people's shoes, especially when it comes to our immigrant neighbors, we'll discover that there is more that brings us together than what sets us apart.

Our vision is for a world in which we treat immigrants and refugees as we'd like to be treated.

Together we can make our community more welcoming. This can be possible when each of us make small changes that can add up to make a huge difference. Here are some ways you can help make this world a bit more Golden.

8 Ways Golden **Donate.** Your contribution will help the #BeGolden movement grow, so together we can educate, inspire and generate action to make changes that will move the world to treat immigrants the way we want to be treated.

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- **Share information** with people you know. You can share from BeGoldenJourney.com and #BeGolden on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
- **Support immigrant business.** In 2016 nearly 21,000 immigrants served our community, generating nearly \$500M in business income for our Dallas economy.
- Show your support. Put a decal in your business window to let our immigrant neighbors know we are with them.

 Just send us your name and mailing address to info@BeGoldenJourney.com to get your Golden Badge.
- **Think about your connections** to people you know who were born outside the U.S. Identify friends, neighbors, doctors, people who have helped you, and thank them for what they do for you and your community.
- Help immigrants feel welcome. Learn a few friendly phrases and how to pronounce them on Google Translate.

Spanish - Hola | Bienvenidos | Por favor | Muchas gracias
Vietnamese - Xin chào | Chào mừng | Xin vui lòng | Cảm ơn nhiều
French - Salut | Bienvenue | S'il vous plaît | Merci beaucoup
Portuguese - Olá | Bem vinda | Por favor | Muito obrigado
Chinese - 你好 Nǐ hǎo | 欢迎 Huānyíng | 请 Qǐng | 谢谢 Xièxiè

- Be aware of the facts that are not making headlines, but reflect how much our country needs to improve legal immigration.
 - It's complicated. Individuals may have to wait to immigrate any time between 2 years and over 20 years, depending on their relationship to the relative who is sponsoring them, their country of origin and more.
 - It's expensive. The process to become a citizen can cost thousands of dollars in legal fees.
 - We depend on immigrants for more than 25% of construction, manufacturing, healthcare and food service workers.
 - Nearly 24% of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) workers are foreign-born and greatly needed for our economy.
 - Immigrants can help generate jobs. 25% of business owners in Dallas are foreign-born.
 - Nationally, foreign-born households pay more than \$100 billion in income taxes according to a George Mason University Institute for Immigration research study.
 - Research shows that ultimately, immigration has no impact on crime. While a few individual studies did find an increase in crime with an increase in immigration, there are more than twice as many findings showing that an increase in immigration correlated with a decrease in crime.





Volunteer at places that serve immigrants in need:

Catholic Charities of Dallas

1421 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, TX 75247 Tel: 866.CCD.7500, Fax: 214.520.6595 info@ccdallas.org • www.ccdallas.org

Equal Justice Center

1250 W. Mockingbird Lane, Suite 455, Dallas, TX 75247 Tel: 469-228-4226 • www.equaljusticecenter.org www.equaljusticecenter.org/take-action

Human Rights Initiative of North Texas, Inc.

2801 Swiss Ave, Dallas, TX 75204 Tel: 214-855-0520 Fax: 214-855-0793 Ifaulkner@hrionline.org • www.hrionline.org

Heart House Dallas

8515 Park Lane, #303, Dallas, TX 75231 Tel: 214-750-7637 Fax: 214-750-1846 awindle@hearthousedallas.org • www.hearthousedallas.org

Literacy Achieves

6329 Ridgecrest Road, Dallas, TX 75231
Tel. 214-265-5057
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MOSAIC Family Services

12225 Greenville Ave. Suite 800 Dallas, TX 75243 Tel: 214-821-5393 MOSAICServices.org/volunteer

North Texas Dream Team

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