

Community Protection & Support Fund

A Rapid-Response & Resilience Initiative

Latino Community Fund Georgia | Collective Strength and Investment



Georgia's Immigrant Communities Are Under Unprecedented Pressure

The Latino community is carrying Georgia's economy on its back while being squeezed by a perfect storm of rising costs, institutional exclusion, and indiscriminate enforcement.

Immigrant families, approximately 20% of all Metro Atlanta families, face a coordinated attack on their ability to live, work, and participate in the state they call home.

*"When systems fail, people can't.
This fund is powered to protect people."*



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Critical Threats

facing immigrant families
across the state of Georgia

What Our Communities Face Today



Legal Vulnerability

Indiscriminate detention of individuals without violent backgrounds



Wage Theft & Exploitation

Fear weaponized to withhold pay from immigrant workers



Housing Instability

Slum landlords exploit fear of deportation against tenants



Language Barriers

English-only state limiting access to programs & services



Safety Net Exclusion

Intentional exclusion from Medicaid, SNAP, ACA, Head Start



Mental Health Crisis

Toxic stress, anxiety, and family separation trauma



Divisive Narratives

Erasure and exclusion from tables, funding, and coalitions

THE VISION

From Crisis Response to Community Resilience

A future where immigrant families live with safety, dignity, and economic stability. Where diverse nonprofit organizations, funders, and policy makers learn from each other and coalesce for common-sense policy that creates safe communities, and where opportunities turn into possibilities.

"There is no Georgia economic development agenda without a Latino agenda."



20%

of Metro Atlanta families
are immigrant families

1.1M

Latino population
in Georgia

\$13M+

reinvested in community
by LCF Georgia

THE SOLUTION



The Community Protection & Support Fund

A rapid-response and resilience initiative designed to protect, stabilize, and support immigrant individuals, families, and immigrant-centric nonprofit groups facing heightened social, economic, and safety vulnerabilities.



Rapid Response Networks

Crisis support when it matters most



Legal & Safety Navigation

Clinics, guidance, direct legal engagement



Health & Trauma Services

Screenings, mental health, systems navigation



Know Your Rights Education

For workers, patients, tenants, parents, LGBTQ+



Emergency Financial Aid

Direct assistance when families are in crisis



Capacity Building

Strengthening trusted frontline organizations

A Proven Community-Driven Model

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Fund Structure

- LCF Georgia as convener & fiscal sponsor
- Building on COVID-19 Relief Fund success
- 100% earmarked for community grants
- 24-month operational horizon

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Community Grants

- Grants of \$1K - \$25K per organization
- Priority: immigrant-led 501(c)3 orgs
- Invited via established coalitions
- New rounds every 6 months

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Convening & Support

- UNIDOS monthly peer-learning meetings
- Shared index of statewide services
- Digital safety & grant readiness TA
- DOJ-accredited legal service database

Established Networks Driving Impact

Community groups are invited to apply based on history, engagement, and recommendation from established coalitions and partners.



UNIDOS Coalition



**Georgia Immigrant Rights
Alliance (GIRA)**



**Latinos for Democracy
(L4D)**



**Immigrants United
Coalition**



**LCF Georgia Partners
& Members**



**Grantee Referrals for
Consecutive Rounds**

THE INVESTMENT



\$2.5M Over 24 Months

Direct Operational Grants



Legal Support Grants



Technical Assistance



Administration & Evaluation



Convening & Shared Projects



100%

of fund dollars earmarked
for community grants &
direct services

Fund Positioning

- Rapid Response Vehicle
- Community Resilience Strategy
- Long-Term Systems Bridge

Measurable Outcomes Across Three Horizons

SHORT-TERM

Year 1

- 1,500 families receive Know Your Rights guidance
- 1,000 individuals get legal navigation support
- 800 families develop emergency plans
- Statewide service index finalized

MEDIUM-TERM

Years 2-3

- Increased legal preparedness
- Coordinated crisis response capacity
- Strengthened grassroots infrastructure
- Expanded program enrollment points

LONG-TERM

Year 4+

- Shared advocacy agenda across groups
- Stronger safety networks statewide
- Increased mainstream cultural competency
- Reduced economic vulnerability

WHY NOW

When Systems Fail, People Can't

In 2024, immigrant organizations adapted to the rapidly changing reality of indiscriminate enforcement and exclusionary federal policies. Programs and services were reduced or shut down. Organizations shrank. Funding did not flow.

2025-2027 finds us better prepared to articulate a response plan with the shared and critical understanding that the immigrant community is under coordinated attack at both the Federal and state level.

This fund is powered to protect people.



Programs shut down
across the state



Coordinated attack at
Federal & state level



Local governments fearful
of retribution

WHO WE ARE



LCF Georgia: Built to Lead This Work

Since 2017, we have scaled our efforts across the state to ensure Latinos are recognized as key social and economic fabric of Georgia. We advance positive change through investments, programs, and policies focused on the Latino community, one of the fastest growing and youngest in the state.



Advocacy



Civic Participation



Health & Wellbeing



Technical Assistance

Proven track record: COVID-19 Relief & Recovery Fund successfully deployed to diverse immigrant groups statewide

\$13M+

Reinvested in Community

41

Member Orgs

1.1M

Latino Population

4 Core Pillars | 41 Partners | Since 2017

Invest in Georgia's Future. Invest in Its People.

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