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Collaboration Case Study: Delivering on the Dream of New Americans

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+ Why does immigration
matter?

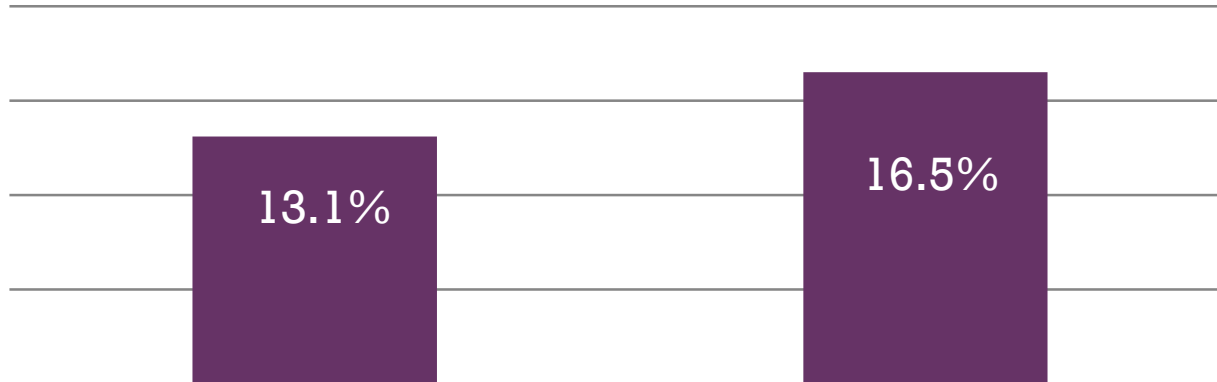


Demographics and Workforce



One quarter of all people in the U.S. are 1st or 2nd generation immigrants.

Labor Force Participation





Poverty, Health, and Education

More than
18% of
immigrants
are living in
poverty

Nearly
50% are
limited
English
proficient

One-third
are
uninsured

More than half
(**52.7%**) have a
high school
degree or less

+ Children, Families, and Communities



- 25% of all children in the U.S. have at least one foreign-born parent
- 85% of immigrants are in “mixed status” families
- 72% of foreign-born population has resided in the U.S. for 10 years+

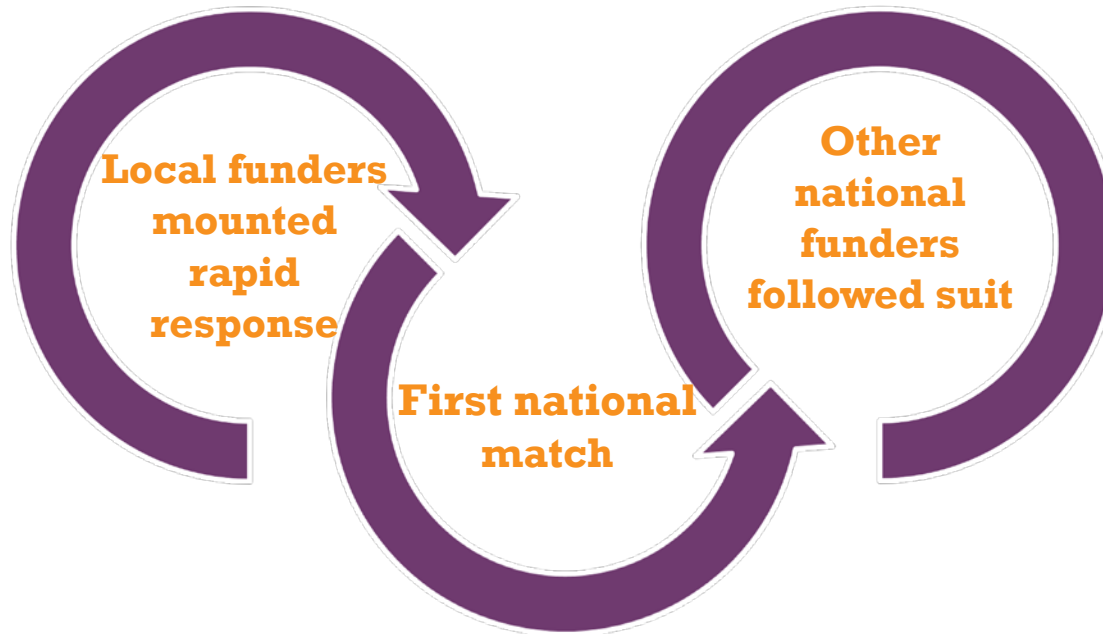
+ Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA): A Pivotal Moment

IRCA
(1986)

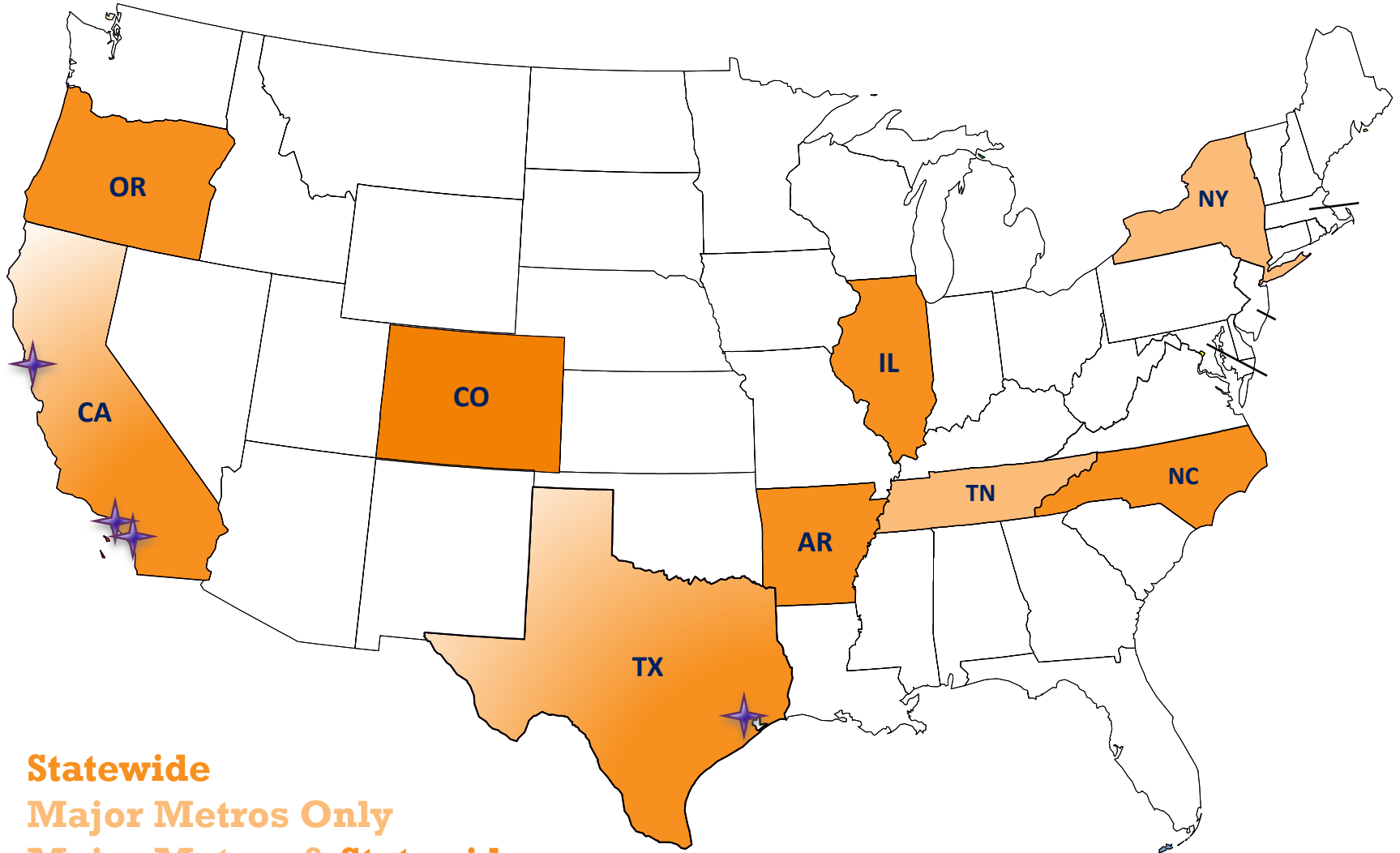
DACA
(2012)

- Immigrants brought to the U.S. as children
- 1.2 million+ eligible
- Temporary relief from deportation and permission to work
- Life-changing impact

+ Delivering on the Dream: How it all began...



2015: 12 Collaboratives in 9 States



Statewide
Major Metros Only
Major Metros & Statewide

+ Maximum Impact





+ Houston Immigration Legal
Services Collaborative

+ Background, Mission, Goals

- **Formed in 2013** in response to changing demographics and unmet community needs.

Mission

Create a coordinated network of effective and efficient services to assist low-income immigrants access the information and legal representation that allows them to make choices in their own best interest.

- **Goals:**
 - Increase capacity; improve access to streamlined services
 - Provide timely and accurate information
 - Help immigrants apply for legal status
 - Develop new sources of funding

+ Collaborative Structure

- Made up of a **diverse network** of organizations and stakeholders.
- Decision-making by **executive committee**, comprised of funders, non-profits, and experienced practitioners.
- Funding decisions are informed by the following **criteria**:
 - Core competency and current capacity
 - Diversity of population served
 - Geographic reach
 - Use of best practices
 - Clear and measureable outcomes; long-term sustainability
 - Supervision structure (for legal services).