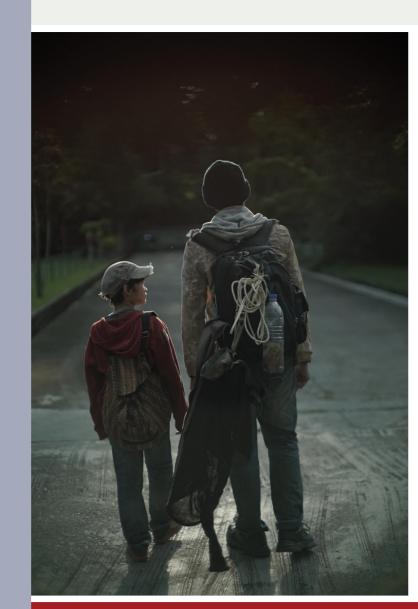


Newsletter

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HACES Expands Immigrant Family Resource **Program for** New **Arrivals**

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Since August 31, 2022, the State of Texas has bused asylum seekers through private charter buses to Chicago at regular intervals. During the last several months, Texas officials dispatched buses with hundreds of migrants to Chicago, Washington D.C., and New York City. While many asylum seekers are from Venezuela, Colombia, and Nicaragua; individuals and families are also from all over the world, including countries from Africa, Europe, and the Middle East.

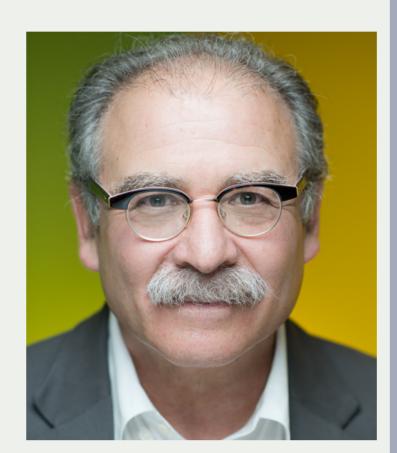
The City of Chicago has also seen an increase in asylum seekers arriving through other modes of transportation, often without resources. Since August 2022, the City has shouldered the responsibility of caring for more than 13,000 men, women, and children. Those same individuals are now arriving in Lake County and HACES is poised to help!

With grant funding from the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (ICIRR), HACES has expanded its Immigrant Family Resource Program (IFRP) to serve new arrivals by connecting them with the support they need for proper health, wellbeing, and economic self-sufficiency. Our new Southern Border Asylee (SBA) Program will provide comprehensive case management designed to help asylum seekers and will provide a variety of free support services including public benefits registration. We will connect individuals to appropriate services as needed through case management or referral.

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Welcome to HACES Dr.Ringel

We are honored to welcome Marc Ringel, MD to our HACES Community Health program! Dr. Ringel will begin meeting with clients in September to help them better understand their health issues and to navigate the healthcare system.



Marc (as he prefers to be called) has been a doctor since 1974. He grew up in Chicago and did his training there, at the University of Illinois School of Medicine and Cook County Hospital. His career led to Colorado, where he practiced and taught family medicine, as well as hospice and palliative care. In 2020 Marc moved back to the Chicago Area.

Though he no longer actively practices medicine, Marc is still moved to be of service, which is why he chose to volunteer at HACES. He speaks fluent Spanish.

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Want to make a difference in your community too?

Volunteers make our work

Volunteers are the backbone of our organization. Volunteers include our Board Members who set the strategic direction for HACES, those who organize and teach our citizenship classes, those who assist teachers in the classroom in our Parent Mentor program, and those who simply help by scanning and filing our many important documents. Our work at HACES simply would not be possible without them!



HACES Staff Reaches Out to the Community!

One of the primary ways we reach the community is through in-person outreach. With the warm weather, we have been increasingly invited to attend outreach events hosted by our community partners. Maybe you've even seen us? This summer, our staff has been at events hosted by Warren Newport Public Library, the YWCA, Waukegan Public School District, Erie Health Center, Roberti Community House, Mundelein High School and Zion Benton Township High School to name a few. We'll continue to be out in the community through the early fall. Keep an eye out for

As always, we appeal to everyone who supports our mission, like you, to help us to do more by donating to our cause. Please check out what's new on our website at https://haces.org/donate/ and give what you can. We appreciate it!

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