America is a nation of immigrants. Like our forefathers, immigrants of today are escaping persecution, seeking economic opportunity, and desiring education and opportunity for their families. They are valuable employees and colleagues, entrepreneurs, taxpayers, and consumers. Since 1919, the International Institute has helped ensure that immigrants successfully integrate by providing essential connecting services and by sharing American culture and values.

Annually, our wide array of adjustment services reaches more than 6,000 immigrants from 80 countries. Thousands more attend and participate as performers and volunteers in our annual Festival of Nations. We are respected by and have strong multigenerational ties to most local immigrant communities. Our staff are key consultants on a broad range of issues affecting the social, cultural and economic health of our region.

The many ways we assist immigrants, their families, and the wider community…

**CONNECTing new arrivals with first-touch services & resources**
- English Classes for Adults
- Social Work & Health Services
- Job Training & Placement
- Refugee Resettlement
- II Southwest Missouri @ Springfield
- Missouri Office of Refugee Assistance (MO-ORA)

**ENGAGing foreign-born with the wider community**
- Small Business Center & IICDC
- Credit & Asset-Building
- II Global Farms
- Career Path & Recertification
- Immigration Application Services
- II Business Solutions Center

**BUILDing a more inclusive community**
- Festival of Nations
- Community Presentations
- Cultural Competency Training
- Service Learning
- Immigrant Leadership Training
- Advocacy

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