



Service locations

Omaha - Community Services Headquarters
1941 South 42nd Street, Suite 402
Omaha, NE 68105
(402) 346-6100

- *AmeriCorps*
- *International Center of the Heartland*
- *Lutheran Immigration Services*
- *Lutheran Refugee Services*

Omaha - Employment First
1941 South 42nd Street, Suite 370
Omaha, NE 68105
(402) 271-7300

Grand Island (immigration services)
TierOne Bank Building
1811 West 2nd Street, Suite 325
Grand Island, NE 68803
(308) 382-4255

Lexington (immigration services)
The Welcome Center
200 West Seventh Street
Lexington NE 68850
(308) 324-2312

Lincoln (refugee services)
2900 "O" Street, Suite 200
Lincoln, NE 68510
(402) 435-2910

Not all programs available in all areas. Please call the nearest office if you have questions.

“An individual has not started living until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity.”

--Martin Luther King, Jr.



Community Services Programs



 **Lutheran Family Services**
of Nebraska, Inc.

Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska's Community Services programs strive to provide high quality direct and supportive services for our newest community members—immigrants, refugees and asylees. Our staff is knowledgeable and skilled in case management, advocacy, cultural orientation, education, immigration legal services, employment and job readiness training. We seek to prevent our newest neighbors from entering the cycle of poverty by providing them with the support, guidance and empowerment to achieve self-sufficiency.

Lutheran Refugee Services

Lutheran Refugee Services (LRS), affiliated with Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service and Church World Service, places newly-arriving refugees in Omaha & Lincoln. LRS assists with housing, food, initial medical screenings, on-going health care needs, document processing, benefits, cultural orientation, English language instruction, employment development (REEP/TAG) and school enrollment.

The International Center of the Heartland

The International Center of the Heartland provides comprehensive case management services for refugees, asylees and immigrants. The Center strengthens our community's well-being by connecting clients with agency partners who share expertise in health, employment, education and housing. Through service-learning projects, volunteer placements and sponsorship opportunities, the Center educates our community about the challenges facing newcomers and the benefits they bring while giving interested residents an opportunity for more in-depth interactions with these populations.

LFS AmeriCorps

LFS AmeriCorps is a national service program that provides individuals an opportunity to participate in a year of service to urban and rural communities in Nebraska. AmeriCorps members provide direct service to clients in the areas of community development, education, refugee and immigrant services and youth enrichment. In exchange for service AmeriCorps members are eligible for a living stipend, health insurance, childcare benefits and a college scholarship.

Employment First

Lutheran Family Services works with Employment First, the State of Nebraska's "welfare to work" program, to help individuals—primarily immigrants and refugees—achieve economic self-sufficiency through job training, education and employment preparation. Staff ensure participant compliance while advocating on their behalf, providing culturally-competent services and working to count non-traditional activity as countable compliance hours (i.e. acculturation, orientation and ESL).

Lutheran Immigration Services

Lutheran Immigration Services (LIS) is the only Board of Immigration Appeals-accredited network of immigration legal service providers in Nebraska. The LIS attorney and team of BIA specialists throughout the state provide refugees, asylees and immigrants with a wide range of immigration legal services. Representation is available to individuals and families who perceive they may have an immigration benefit available from USCIS. Services include initial consultations, assistance with all types of family-based immigration and representation in removal and asylum cases. LIS also conducts statewide community education and outreach efforts regarding the positive contributions immigrants make to the economy and culture of Nebraska.

