

Catalog of Employment and Training Programs Serving New Americans

SUMMARY

The Bridging the Gap for New Americans Act, Pub. L. No. 117–210, enacted in October 2022, required the Department of Labor (DOL) to conduct a study about New Americans, defined as lawfully present immigrants and refugees admitted to the United States during the 5-year period prior to the law (October 2017– October 2022) with occupational and professional credentials and academic degrees obtained outside the United States. In 2023, the Chief Evaluation Office (CEO) partnered with the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) and commissioned contractor Westat Insight to conduct a study that is responsive to the Act by identifying the New American population's employment patterns, education, and training as well as the strategies that may help ease their transition into employment by leveraging their existing skills, experience, training, and knowledge.

As part of the Bridging the Gap for New Americans study, the Westat Insight study team developed a program catalog that provides a list of public and private programs that address various needs of the New American population as of April 2024. The catalog documents each program's location, partners and funding sources, types of services provided, ethnicities of the intended service population, and occupations targeted, as well as whether the program serves New Americans with professional credentials.

To capture the landscape of resources available to New Americans, the study team conducted a search and review of available programs and services that provide employment assistance to New Americans throughout the country. The study team reviewed publicly available information on each program in detail to extract data on key program attributes. If a single organization administered multiple programs, the study team documented those programs separately (i.e., if an organization administers three distinct programs serving New Americans, the team counted three separate programs). This catalog should not be considered a comprehensive list of all programs available to New Americans in the United States.

The information on programs in this file is up to date as of April 2024.

CATALOG GENERAL INFORMATION

Reference Period	10/17-12/23
CEO Topic	Data, Methods, and Tools
	Employment and Training
DOL Partner Agency	ETA
Populations	Adult Workers
	Immigrants/Refugees/Foreign Born
Unit(s) of Observations	Program



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Research Method	Literature Review
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