



Library Newcomers & the Immigrant Experience 2.0...One Year Later

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Recap

- Feb 2022-August 2024
- Call to Action at CPL
 - Storytimes in the shelters
 - Family Activities
 - One hour of self guided activities
 - Giveaways
 - Promote Teacher in the Library



Statistics

52,000 newcomers

- Latin America
- Caribbean
- Asia
- Eastern Europe
- Africa



One year later....

Newcomers are now Chicagoans.

Now What?



One year later....

How do we start to serve a community with rapidly changing demographics?

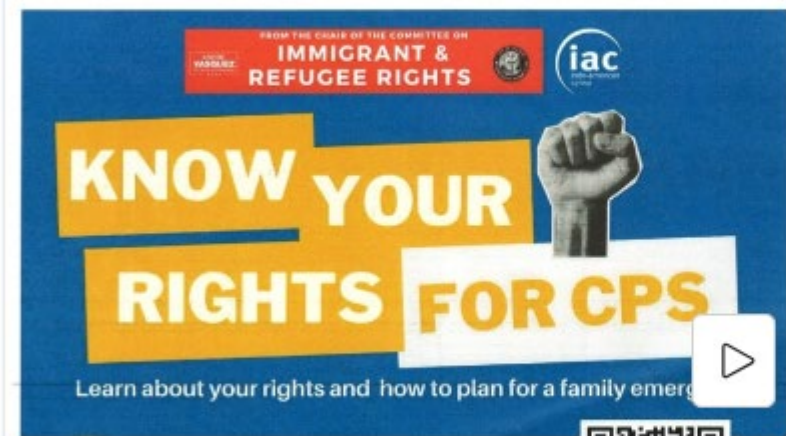
Communication

- Teams
 - Within Newcomers Team
 - Systemwide
- Groups within CPL:
 - Latiné Services Committee
 - Cross-departmental collaborative work



Victoria Martinez 2/27 10:10 AM

Hello! Sharing this virtual Know Your Rights for CPS event happening on 3/11.



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Technology

- Double sided scanners
- Laptops for programming
- Language Line and other translating services

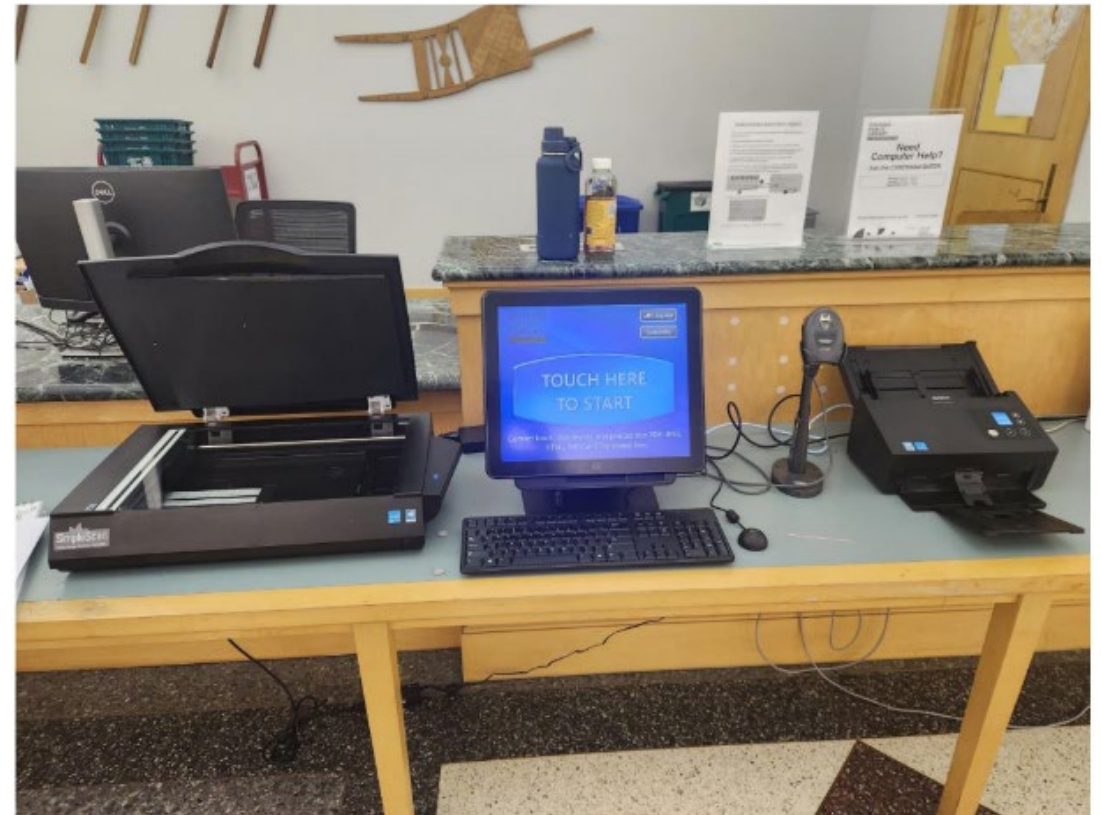


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Collections, Signage and More!

- Growing collections
 - Spanish
- Collection Development
- As a result:
 - More Bilingual/Spanish programming
 - Story times, book clubs, conversation groups, Día
 - More bilingual flyers and resources
 - Signage committee
 - Website

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CPL & Community Groups

Programs & Partnerships

Branch Level

- ELL Classes
- ESL practice & conversations
- Book Buddy's for Adults
- Partnering with neighborhood organizations



Programs & Partnerships

Adult literacy partnerships

- GED, ESL and ABE with.
 - City Colleges,
 - Literacy Chicago
 - UIC Center for Literacy



Alliances

Chicago is With You Taskforce

- Dashboard for all new Illinoisans
- CityKey Card events
- Job & Resource fairs
- ESL Classes
- Know Your Rights
- Family Preparation with the Resurrection Project



Office of Immigration, Migrant, and Refugee Rights (IMMRR)

- Chicago.gov
 - Citizenship classes
 - DACA
 - Access language line
 - Legal services



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- Toolkits for workers
- City/State/National organizations
 - Organization for a Better Chinese Ar Community
 - United African Organization
 - HANA Center



Final thoughts

- Why are we doing this presentation?
- You can't do it alone... look within your community for support
- Opportunity to serve all Chicagoans

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THANK YOU!!