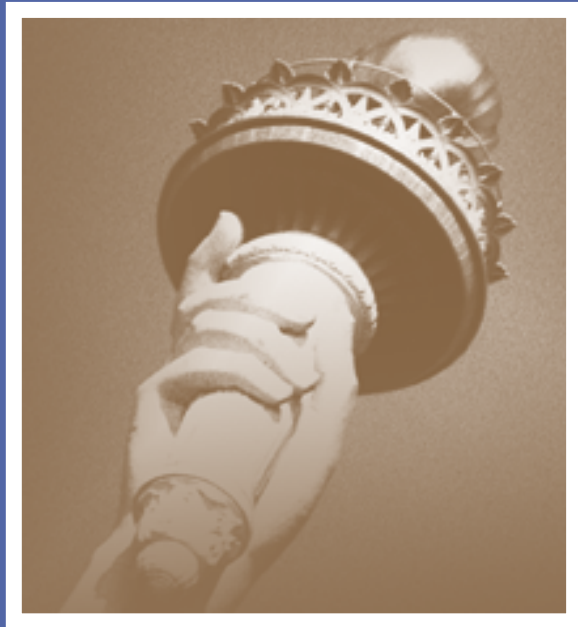


ANNUAL REPORT



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American Immigration Law Foundation

NEW INITIATIVES

Advancing Our Mission

With each passing year, our sense of pride in the accomplishments of the American Immigration Law Foundation grows. AILF's successes in 2005 have made a significant, long-term, positive difference for our nation's immigrants by reminding America of their contributions to our society and the need to protect their due process rights.

The pages that follow are filled with details of AILF's outstanding work over the last year. In particular, we wish to highlight the following accomplishments for you.

First, in recognition of the importance of a long term vision for ensuring an organization's success, the AILF board prepared, discussed, and adopted a five year strategic plan for the Foundation. The plan sets specific goals that all board committees and task forces will work toward achieving.

In addition to strategic planning, the Foundation's individual program centers saw significant achievements in 2005.

Our Legal Action Center launched a new initiative, the Immigration Litigation Clearinghouse. This program brings together dozens of nonprofit groups and private sector attorneys filing affirmative litigation on behalf of immigrant groups, and provides a forum for information sharing and strategy development. The clearinghouse was launched with a first ever national summit of immigration litigators in the fall of 2005, and was followed by the creation of a bi-weekly e-newsletter reviewing major developments across the country.

The AILF Immigration Policy Center commissioned and published a comprehensive survey on the impact of lesser-skilled but essential immigrant workers on the nation's economy. The report found that America's economy could continue to grow at the 3% per annum rate only with the

availability of new immigrant workers. This study was the subject of congressional hearing testimony by the IPC.

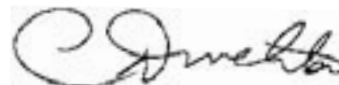
Through AILF's Immigration Curriculum Center, the Foundation launched a new resource guide for K-12 teachers. The publication contains classroom lesson plans written by educators serving on AILF's Teacher Advisory Board, as well as reviews of the latest children's books focused on the immigrant experience. The Center also succeeded in doubling the number of applications to its classroom grants program over the prior year.

2005 marked a turning point for AILF's Exchange Visitor Program. After conducting an independent audit of our program administration, the Foundation implemented recommendations aimed at improving the quality of the program, including improved direct contacts with host companies and the addition of senior level staffing to grow the program.

The American Immigration Law Foundation is able to accomplish these and so many more achievements only because of countless volunteer hours, a dedicated professional staff, and the generous financial support of our donors. We thank all who have given so much to AILF of themselves in 2005, and we look forward to a future where all Americans fully appreciate our heritage and potential as a nation of immigrants.



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IMMIGRATION

Curriculum Center

The Foundation's Curriculum Center works to promote the value of immigration in classrooms throughout the United States. The goal of the Curriculum Center is to provide educators with the tools necessary to objectively and fairly teach the topic of immigration within a theme of tolerance and appreciation for diversity in our nation. 2005 saw an expansion in all program areas from an increase in the number of teacher symposia held and attendees at those symposia, to the doubling of the number of teachers on the teacher advisory board which works with the Foundation to create new materials that fellow educators can access. Additionally the Curriculum Center increased the number of grants given out and released the inaugural edition of its K-12 Teacher Resource Guide.



Children's author Minfong Ho speaks at the 3rd Annual Washington, DC Teachers Symposium.



Teacher Advisory Board member John Hallagan presents lesson plans at the Chicago Teachers Symposium.



AILF Chairman Cyrus Mehta presents an award to Creative Writing Contest winner Samuel Moore.

Teacher Symposia

AILF presented its teacher symposia titled, "Appreciating America's Heritage: Teaching Children About Immigration," in both Washington, DC and Chicago in 2005. In both locations over forty teachers were in attendance. During the day-long program members of AILF's Teacher Advisory Board, consisting of educators from Pennsylvania, District of Columbia, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and California, presented lesson plans, primary source materials, books and projects that they have successfully used in their Kindergarten through 12th grade classrooms. The Advisory Board members' diverse backgrounds enabled fellow educators in attendance to gain a sense of the endless possibilities that are available for instruction on the topic of immigration. Each attending teacher received books, posters and other materials to use in their own classrooms.

Teacher Resource Guide

2005 also marked the inaugural year of AILF's *Immigration Resource Guide for K-12 Educators*. Within the guide's pages are lesson plans, book reviews and information about various Foundation programs that are available to educators. Guides were given out at symposia in addition to mailings to various school districts throughout the country.

Educational Grant Program

Through expanded advertising efforts the Foundation doubled the number of applications received for its educational

grant program. Each year AILF offers \$500-\$1000 grants for classroom projects that strive to promote the value of immigration. The Foundation awarded grants to nine educators in diverse locations throughout the country.

Funded projects include a middle school in Oklahoma that will host a citizenship naturalization ceremony, an elementary school in New Jersey that will explore why people choose to immigrate to the United States and the challenges those immigrants face, a school in Illinois that is exploring the diversity of the people and neighborhoods of their city while also learning about the historical and present contributions of various immigrant groups to the development of Chicago, a school in Texas that will be preparing an iMovie in which the students will assume the identities of famous immigrants who have made significant contributions to American society, and a school in Massachusetts that will be approaching the topic of immigration through the exploration of ethnic foods and how those foods have become assimilated into life in the United States while also learning about the nutritional values associated with those foods.

Creative Writing Contest

AILF continued to host its annual 5th Grade Creative Writing contest on the topic of “Why I’m Glad America is a Nation of Immigrants.” All entries are judged in local competitions with the best essays being submitted for review by a panel of judges consisting of public servants and news



Inaugural edition of AILF's K-12 Teacher Resource Guide.

media. The 2005 winner was Samuel Moore whose essay was read aloud at the AILF Annual Benefit and printed in the *Congressional Record*.

Immigration Exhibit Hall

The American Immigration Law Center Exhibit Hall tells the story of immigration to tourists in the nation’s capital throughout the year. Each year the Foundation curates multiple shows which offer an inspirational view of America’s heritage as a nation of immigrants.

2005’s most well received exhibit was created by second grade students from Washington, D.C.’s John Eaton Elementary School, a public school opened in 1911 and dedicated to promoting cultural understanding, acceptance of differences and effective communication skills among their diverse student population.

Student art work was based on the study of family heritage and culture through research of ancestors. Each student listened to stories about immigration and then interviewed relatives about their ancestry and family heritage. With the assistance of family members, each student then created shadowboxes representative of the ancestor which they selected to research.

These shadow boxes showed the diversity of the classroom, with student ancestry ranging from Austria to Peru and first generation students from China.



Second graders created family heritage boxes that were on display at the American Immigration Law Center.

IMMIGRATION *Policy Center*

Recognizing that the United States has a unique 300-plus year relationship with immigration which is often lost in the torrent of emotional rhetoric that defines today's public debate about immigration, AILF established the Immigration Policy Center (IPC) in 2003 in order to provide policymakers, community leaders, the media, and the general public with access to accurate information about the economic and social effects of immigration on the United States. Through the timely production of quality analytical research on the role of immigrants and immigration policies and by co-sponsoring local briefings and community forums around the country, the IPC seeks to promote a rational, informed discourse about important topics concerning the dynamics of U.S. immigration.

Promoting a Rational Dialogue at the National and Local Level

In partnership with organizations interested in promoting a reasoned and rational debate about immigration, the IPC in 2005 successfully organized a series of briefings at the local and national level that examined a broad range of immigration policy issues. Among the year's highlights were:

"Promoting Women Immigrant Entrepreneurs in Our Community: Challenges and Opportunities"

The IPC organized an interactive panel that took place at City Hall in Baltimore, Maryland. Inspired by the IPC's January 2005 report, *Today's Immigrant Woman Entrepreneur*, the report's author, Dr. Susan Pearce, together with immigration experts, local and state policymakers, immigrant businesswomen, and business development organizations looked at the power and potential of immigrant women entrepreneurs in the local community and the efforts of Maryland State and local offices to assist them. Joining the IPC as sponsors were the Maryland Office for New Americans, the Baltimore City Mayor's Office of Minority



IPC Congressional briefing on Capitol Hill

Business Development, the Baltimore City Mayor's Immigrant Support and Outreach Coordinator, and Towson University's Departments of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice, and Institute for Teaching and Research on Women.

"Losing Our Competitive Edge?"

The Importance of High-Skilled Professionals in Comprehensive Immigration Reform."

The IPC co-sponsored a forum that examined the importance of highly-skilled immigrants in maintaining U.S. competitiveness in science and technology. Additional partners in the event included the League of Women Voters of Minnesota, the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota, The Minneapolis Foundation, and the Minnesota High Tech Association.

IPC Research Fellow Testifies in Congress

IPC Research Fellow Dan Siciliano, Professor of Law at Stanford University, testified before the Education and Workforce Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives. The testimony was related to the November 2005 IPC Special Report, *Economic Growth & Immigration: Bridging the Demographic Divide*. This report analyzed the role and impact of low-skilled immigration to U.S. labor force growth and over-all economic growth.

“The Role of Immigration in Economic Growth.”

In conjunction with the IPC’s testimony in the House of Representatives, the IPC coordinated with the Office of Senator Harry Reid to host a Senate briefing that examined the impact of immigrants on wages, employment, and economic growth. Panelists included IPC Research Fellow Dan Siciliano, Dr. Tamar Jacoby of the Manhattan Institute, and Rajeev Goyle of the Center for American Progress. The event was attended by more than 50 Congressional staffers and included a valuable exchange on the role of immigration in economic growth and the impact that mass deportations of undocumented immigrants would have on the U.S. economy.

Media Achievements

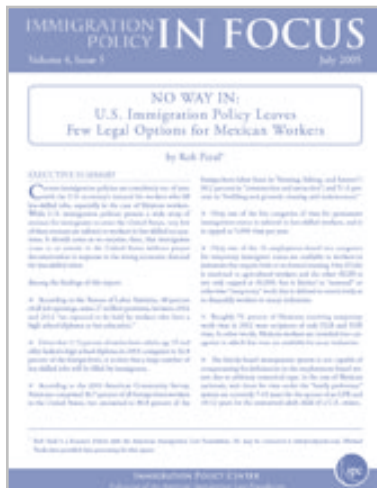
In 2005, the IPC began working on a new, more aggressive media and communications strategy to increase our exposure in the press and expand the reach of our materials among policy- and opinion-makers. The results were very positive. IPC staff and research fellows were quoted or appeared in more than 100 newspaper, radio and television outlets across the country. The IPC Director, Benjamin Johnson, appeared on CNN, MSNBC, FOX News, and more than a dozen local television stations. He was also a guest on NPR, Voice of America, and is a frequent commentator on local radio shows around the country. Our report on *Women Immigrant Entrepreneurs* attracted mass media

attention from CBS News and *Newsweek* Magazine, and our other publications have been frequently cited in local newspapers around the country.

Other Publications and Activities

The IPC published a new high of 17 reports in its *Immigration Policy Briefs*, *IN FOCUS*, and *SPECIAL REPORTS* series. It expanded its efforts to work with outstanding academic specialists in the immigration policy field, including Dr. Douglass Massey of Princeton University, Dr. Jason Ackleson of New Mexico State University, and Dr. Susan Pearce of West Virginia University. Notable among the IPC publications were the IPC’s *SPECIAL REPORT: Economic Growth & Immigration: Bridging the Demographic Divide*, a two-part *IN FOCUS* series on U.S.-Mexican border issues “Beyond the Border Buildup: Towards a New Approach to Mexico-U.S. Migration” and “Five Myths About Immigration: Common Misconceptions Underlying U.S. Border-Enforcement Policy”, and the *Immigration Policy Brief: A Lifeline to Renewal: The Demographic Impact of Immigration at State and Local Levels*.

IPC publications and media outreach have helped to promote public appreciation of the role of immigrants in American life, and to enhance the Center’s reputation for providing accurate, timely analysis on significant immigrant policy issues.



LEGAL Action Center

AILF's Legal Action Center (LAC) works to advance fundamental fairness in United States immigration law and to protect the constitutional and legal rights of immigrants, refugees, and other noncitizens. The LAC conducts national impact litigation; writes amicus curiae ("friend of the court") briefs; produces practice advisories on a wide variety of topics; conducts the Litigation Institute and other legal educational programs; and mentors, coordinates and provides technical support for lawyers litigating due process and fairness issues in family, removal and business immigration cases nationwide.

Litigation Clearinghouse

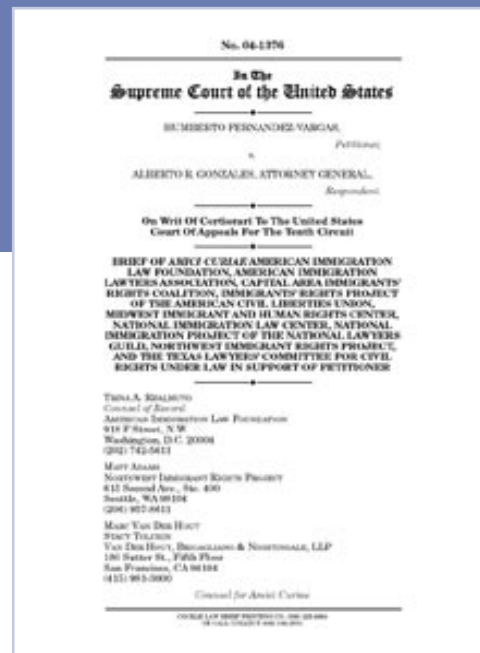
The LAC launched the Litigation Clearinghouse in 2005. The Clearinghouse serves as a national point of contact for lawyers conducting or contemplating immigration litigation. As part of the Clearinghouse, the LAC issues a semimonthly newsletter. The newsletters cover selected topics currently being litigated by immigration lawyers nationwide.

The Clearinghouse was unveiled at AILF's first National Immigration Litigation Strategy meeting held in September. Immigration litigators, immigration legal service providers, and pro bono providers from all over the country came together for the all-day meeting. Participants discussed substantive immigration law issues, exchanged ideas about legal strategy, and established and strengthened networks.

Litigation Institute

The LAC conducted two very successful Litigation Institutes in 2005. The LAC conceived and developed the Institutes as hands-on, intensive workshops that allow participants to hone their litigation skills.

The 2005 Institutes were held near Denver, CO and in New York, NY. Attendance was limited at both Institutes to 60



AILF amicus brief to the U.S. Supreme Court

participants. Working in small groups with ten experienced immigration litigators, each participant presented mock habeas corpus, mandamus, immigration court, and petition for review arguments. Participants were individually videotaped during each hearing and were able to take their tapes home to review them.

Formal Order Approving Settlement Signed in Class Action Lawsuit

AILF successfully sued the former Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS)—now the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service within the Department of Homeland Security—for unlawfully failing to adjust the status of thousands of asylees. In a settlement agreement, the government guaranteed that it will adjust the status of *at least* 61,000 asylees by the end of Fiscal Year 2007. U.S. District Judge Richard Kyl signed the formal order approving settlement in July.

Practice Advisories

The LAC issued numerous authoritative, timely practice advisories throughout 2005. Topics of the 2005 practice advisories included: REAL ID Act and court jurisdiction; BIA affirmances without opinion; Child Status Protection Act; naturalization; reinstatement; mandamus actions; and voluntary departure.

DOCKET OF AMICUS CURIAE (FRIEND OF THE COURT) BRIEFS THE LAC FILED IN 2005

“Arriving Aliens” and Adjustment of Status

The LAC’s amicus briefs challenge a regulation that bars all “arriving aliens”—which includes the majority of parolees—from adjusting status if they are in removal proceedings.

<i>Anteoyo v. Gonzales</i>	5th Circuit	June 9, 2005
<i>Bona v. Asbcroft</i>	9th Circuit	February 24, 2005
<i>Delphin v. Gonzales</i>	11th Circuit	December 14, 2005
<i>Diarra v. Gonzales</i>	5th Circuit	April 4, 2005
<i>Hong v. Gonzales</i>	9th Circuit	March 24, 2005
<i>Imam v. Gonzales</i>	7th Circuit	December 30, 2005
<i>Jiang v. Gonzales</i>	9th Circuit	November 22, 2005
<i>Li v. Gonzales</i>	2nd Circuit	August 18, 2005
<i>Mouelle v. Gonzales</i>	8th Circuit	April 5, 2005
<i>Roozky v. Asbcroft</i>	9th Circuit	February 7, 2005
<i>Sampedro v. Gonzales</i>	11th Circuit	November 16, 2005
<i>Sanchez-Montoya v. Gonzales</i>	2nd Circuit	August 22, 2005
<i>Shah v. Gonzales</i>	11th Circuit	May 2, 2005
<i>Singh v. Gonzales</i>	2nd Circuit	August 22, 2005
<i>Zheng v. Asbcroft</i>	3rd Circuit	February 1, 2005

Reinstatement of Removal / Deportation

The LAC’s Supreme Court amicus brief argued against retroactive application of the amended reinstatement statute. The Ninth Circuit En Banc amicus brief argued that the current reinstatement regulation is invalid. The regulation permits low-level immigration officials who are untrained in the intricacies of immigration law to reinstate a prior order.

<i>Fernandez-Vargas v. Gonzales</i>	Supreme Court	December 22, 2005
<i>Morales-Izquierdo v. Gonzales</i>	9th Circuit	November 22, 2005

Voluntary Departure

The LAC filed amicus briefs arguing that the statutory right to file a motion to reopen must be given effect, despite the bar to relief for overstaying a voluntary departure order.

<i>Bocova v. Gonzales</i>	1st Circuit	April 13, 2005
<i>Muluya v. Gonzales</i>	1st Circuit	November 7, 2005
<i>Ugokwe v. Attorney General</i>	11th Circuit	November 17, 2005

Other Issues

Other LAC amicus briefs addressed many issues, including: immigrant visa petitions and degree equivalencies; REAL ID and court jurisdiction; the Child Status Protection Act; the BIA’s affirmances without opinion; and physicians and national interest waivers.

<i>Grace Korean v. Chertoff, et al.</i>	D. Or.	July 14, 2005
<i>Chen v. Asbcroft</i>	9th Circuit	January 14, 2005
<i>Maximov v. Gonzales</i>	2nd Circuit	June 15, 2005
<i>Singh v. Gonzales</i>	9th Circuit	November 9, 2005
<i>Wilson v. Reno</i>	2nd Circuit	September 13, 2005
<i>Schneider et al. v. Asbcroft</i>	9th Circuit	February 22, 2005
<i>Nguyen v. Gonzales</i>	5th Circuit	May 3, 2005

EXCHANGE

Visitor Program

AILF's Exchange Visitor Program, which sponsors international trainees to come to the United States on a J-1 visa for up to 18 months, allows companies to reach across borders and provide exciting opportunities to hundreds of young professionals from over 35 different countries. The Foundation is an active participant in the strengthening of international bonds through shared views and experiences. It is public diplomacy at its best. AILF facilitates a synergy of values and skills that benefits both the international trainee and the American host.

While many of AILF's trainees participate in programs at small to mid-sized businesses, in 2005 AILF was pleased to also partner with several large multinational corporations. For trainees at these companies, training on US operations is often an unparalleled possibility for gaining the skills needed to be successful and competitive in the world economy. It is enlightening for all parties involved.

An example is the program provided by the creative computer design studio and producer of social parody animation, Jib Jab Media, Inc., for an AILF sponsored trainee from Mexico. The program provides instruction in computer-generated two and three dimensional animation for the Internet, television and film production. Through rotational assignments, observation, and mentorship the trainee was able to obtain training that is not available in Mexico. The result of the training program is a synergy of U.S. graphic design technology with Mexican artistic themes.

Multinational law firm Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson, LLP, provides another example of an organization providing exciting opportunities to young trainees with AILF J-1 visa sponsorship from countries such as Australia, Denmark, France, Germany, India, Mexico, and New Zealand. The structured time spent learning American cor-



EVP staff meet with prospective trainees.

porate law practices allows the trainees to accelerate their careers at home after bringing an international perspective to the host company.

The AILF Exchange Visitor Program is fundamental people to people diplomacy.

2005 Corporate Partners*

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World Jewish Congress
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Anheuser Busch
JibJab Media, Inc.
Pepsi Cola International
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson, LLP

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AWARDS & Events

Annual Benefit

In June the Foundation held its annual benefit, A Salute to Vietnamese Americans, in Salt Lake City, Utah. The event honored four remarkable immigrants from Vietnam—award winning actress Kieu Chinh, business software pioneer Trung Dung, founder of two humanitarian relief organizations Le Ly Hayslip, and marine, entrepreneur and author Quang X. Pham. As a tribute to the rich Vietnamese culture, an ensemble of local musicians performed authentic music throughout the evening, while over five hundred AILF supporters enjoyed the inspirational ceremony.

Immigrant Achievement Awards Programs

The Foundation's Immigrant Achievement Awards programs continued with great success in 2005. Memorable awards ceremonies were held in Chicago, Washington DC, Los Angeles and New York City.

The Third Annual Chicago Immigrant Achievement Awards was held in February, and featured honorees from Cuba, India, Japan, and Mexico. The Community Service Award was presented to Asian Human Services for their extensive work on behalf of Asian Americans.



*Kieu Chinh, actress and star of the movie, *The Joy Luck Club*, thanks the Foundation for her American Heritage Award.*



Honoree Clive Barker (left) takes the podium to accept his award from the Master of Ceremonies at the California Immigrant Achievement Awards.

In March, the Tenth Annual Washington DC Immigrant Achievement Awards honored local immigrants for their accomplishments in science, business, government, and the arts. Among the honorees was Azar Nafisi, author of the best selling *Reading Lolita in Tebran*.

The 2005 California Immigrant Achievement Awards was held in Los Angeles in September. The event featured three exceptional immigrants from the surrounding area, including artist, director, and write Clive Barker. California Senator Gil Cedillo attended the event and spoke to the audience on the importance of immigration.

The 6th Annual New York Immigrant Achievement Awards took place in December in downtown Manhattan, featuring immigrants from England, Dominican Republic, France, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela. The City Bar Justice Center of New York received the Foundation's Distinguished Public Service Award.

Additional Foundation Awards

The Foundation presented its annual Honorary Fellow Award to Richard R. Rulon in recognition of lifelong service and dedication to advancing the administration of justice and respect for human rights in the field of immigration and nationality law.

The winner of the 2005 Dubroff Legal Writing Contest was Cornell Law School student Carrie E. Davenport, with a winning paper entitled "A 'Brutal Need': How the Application of Expedited Removal to Potential Refugees Violates the Fifth Amendment."

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EXPENSE FY 2005



	2004	2005
REVENUE		
Individual Donations	\$120,227	\$147,609
Grant Support	\$366,689	\$479,559
Special Events	\$451,395	\$409,210
Exchange Visitor Program	\$763,850	\$775,075
Miscellaneous	\$87,169	\$437,871*
	<u>\$1,789,330</u>	<u>\$2,249,324</u>
EXPENSE		
Legal Action Center	\$410,530	\$522,373
Immigration Policy Center	\$304,650	\$435,373
Exchange Visitor Program	\$194,443	\$278,809
Public Education	\$193,772	\$204,815
Fundraising	\$323,837	\$316,604
Leadership	\$48,695	\$77,862
Administration	\$62,340	\$101,975
	<u>\$1,538,267</u>	<u>\$1,937,810</u>
Revenue Less Expense	\$251,064	\$311,514
Fund Transfers	\$9,026	(\$257,743)
Year End Revenue	<u>\$260,090</u>	<u>\$53,771</u>

**includes one time settlement payment from U.S. government for litigation expenses incurred by AILF*

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