

# Overview of the Office of Global Michigan

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**Our job at the  
Office of Global  
Michigan is to ensure  
that Michigan is a  
welcoming and  
inclusive state.**

# Michigan is a Welcoming State

**Building a continuum that can welcome and integrate current residents as well as new arrivals.**

- Refugee resettlement
- Ethnic commissions
- Equity and inclusion work
- Language access planning
- Immigrant integration





# Refugee Services

- URM placement and oversight
- Educational integration
- Community Engagement
- Digital Learning and Literacy
- Public Health Coordination
- Local Refugee Resettlement Agency funding and coordination
- Employment Placement and Retention

# Ethnic Commissions

**Commissioners work with state government and local communities to improve the lives of ethnic minorities living in Michigan.**

## **Activities include:**

- Statewide Hispanic Latino Graduation Celebration
- Anti-Asian Hate Townhalls
- Middle Eastern / Arab American History & Arts events
- Legislative & EOG Advocacy





## Language Access

- Support language access planning and implementation
- Training for state departments
- Work closely with departmental language access coordinators

# Immigrant Integration

LEO works closely with state departments and community-based organizations to reduce barriers to immigrant integration.

## Collaborations with:

- **LARA** to reduce licensing barriers
- **Global Detroit** to develop regional systems to support access to higher education / skilled trades
- **Michigan Works! & Employers** to integrate into Michigan's workforce



**As the Chief EIO, I lead the Equity and Inclusion officers across the state departments.**



**This work includes:**

- Best practices for equity and inclusion in state government
- Facilitating the statewide implicit bias training
- Implementing statewide education and awareness initiatives
- Integrating the use of data in state government to attract and retain talent

# Community Partners

ACCESS / ACCESS Growth Center / African Business Chamber of Commerce / African Caribbean Chamber of Commerce / American Arab Chamber of Commerce / American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) / Ann Arbor Spark / Arab American and Chaldean Council (ACC) / Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce (APACC) / Automation Alley / Bethany Christian Services / Bromberg & Associates / Central Michigan University / Chaldean American Chamber of Commerce / Chaldean Community Foundation / Chinese Association of Greater Detroit (CAGD) / Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs (CMEAA) / Consular Corps / Council of Ethnic Chambers / Detroit Chinese Business Association (DCBA) / Detroit City Council Immigration Taskforce / Detroit Office of Immigrant Affairs / Ferris State University / Flint and Genesee Chamber of Commerce / German American Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Chapter / Global Detroit / Global Talent Retention Initiative of Michigan / Grand Valley State University / Great Lakes Bay Region Hispanic Business Association / Hello West Michigan / Hispanic Center of Western Michigan / Hispanic Latino Commission (HLCOM) / Immigrant & Refugee Resource Collaborative (IRRC) / IMPRINT / International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit / Irish Chamber / Italian American Cultural Center / Japan Business Society of Detroit / Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw County / Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit / Latino Business and Economic Development Center, Ferris State University / New American Economy (NAE) / New Michigan Media / Oakland County / Philippine Chamber of Commerce / Polish American Chamber of Commerce / Prosper US Detroit / Refugee Development Center / Refugee Development Center / Samaritas / Southwest Michigan First / St. Vincent Catholic Charities / Taiwanese Chamber of Commerce of Greater Detroit / TiE - Detroit Chamber / Traverse City Chamber of Commerce / Turkish American Cultural Association of Michigan / United Community Family Services/Chaldean American Ladies of Charity (CALC) / Upwardly Global / USCRI (US Committee for Refugees & Immigrants) / Wayne State University / WE Global Network / Welcome Mat Detroit / Welcoming America / Welcoming Michigan / West Michigan Asian American Association (WMAAA) / West Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce / World Education Services (WES)

# Responding to National Trends

**LEO / OGM are responding to national immigration trends in Michigan.**

**Efforts to support newcomers include:**

- Pilot sponsorship programs
- Building systems of support for diverse asylum seekers
- Creating community connections for holistic resettlement efforts

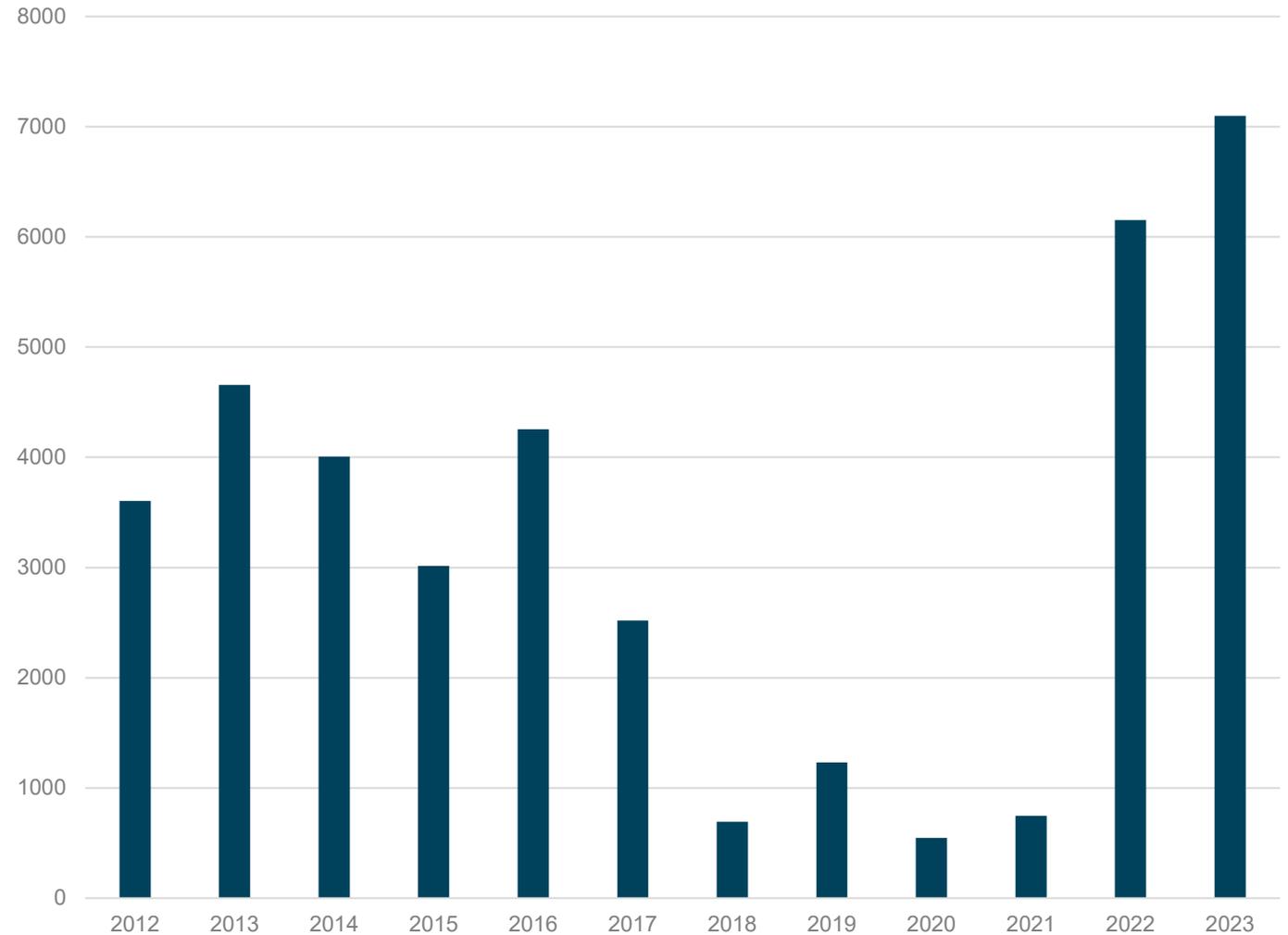
# MI Sponsorship Programs

- **Uniting for Ukraine**
- **CHNV** – Escalating situations in Cuba, Haiti, Central and South America
- **Welcome Corps**



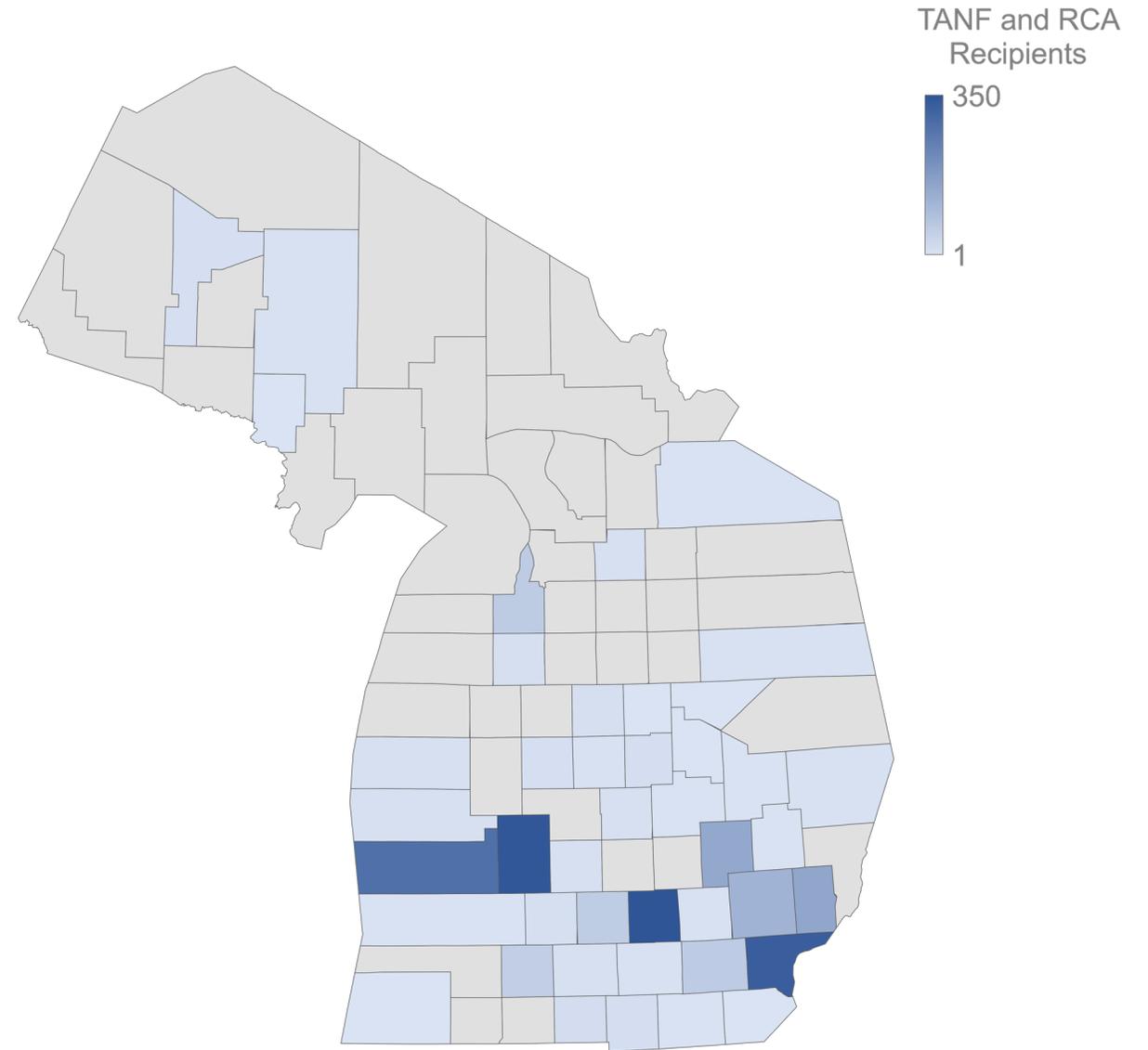
# FY12 Arrivals Through FY23 Projections

## Total New Arrivals of ORR-eligible populations



# Where Are The 'Newcomers' In Michigan?

- Historically, refugees resided in 7 or 8 core counties in Michigan.
- New arrivals are now residing in at least 44 of Michigan's 83 counties.



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