BUILDING POWER IN IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE COMMUNITIES

ANNUAL REPORT
2018
With your support, in 2018 OneAmerica led a moral and political wave in Washington State that mobilized thousands against the President’s policy of family separation, passed groundbreaking policies to protect immigrant families in Seattle and King County, swept the most diverse state legislature in Washington history into office, and shifted leadership in the United States House of Representatives to Democratic control as a check on the President’s power. Together, we built an inspirational and effective resistance, countering the xenophobic policies and rhetoric targeting immigrants and refugees coming from the White House.

OneAmerica doubled down on community organizing and grassroots leadership, affirming our shared belief that those most impacted by injustice are best equipped to shape their own liberation and solve problems that impact all of us. We went a step farther, putting this belief into action by establishing a grassroots leadership council of immigrants and refugees making key organizational decisions. We elected leaders from our own communities to office. And after five years of organizing, we passed the Washington Voting Rights Act, a ground-breaking, nation-leading policy to reform our election systems to ensure more equitable representation across Washington State.

We dedicate 2018 to a dear friend, OneAmerica’s former Director of Organizing David Ayala. When David passed away in October many people stepped forward to share their own stories about how his authentic leadership, heartfelt compassion and fierce love of justice drew them into the movement for immigrant rights and the OneAmerica community. Our response to injustice and abuse of power, consistent with David’s legacy, must always be centered in our faith in each other to rise to the occasion, to overcome our fears and limitations and make the impossible, possible.

Thank you for being a part of our movement, today and every day, as we continue to fight for justice.

Dedication to David Ayala
OUR MISSION
OneAmerica advances the fundamental principles of democracy and justice at the local, state, and national levels by building power within immigrant communities in collaboration with key allies.

OUR VISION
OneAmerica envisions a peaceful world where every person’s human rights and dignity are respected, where communities appreciate differences and stand together for justice and equality, and where each person contributes to the common good.

OUR FAMILY
OneAmerica is a family of organizations made up of OneAmerica (a 501c3), our political arm OneAmerica Votes (a 501c4), our state political committee the OneAmerica Votes Justice Fund (a PAC), and the newly created federal political committee the OneAmerica Votes Justice for All (a PAC).
Our OneAmerica family works together to advance our mission and vision.
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2018 Annual Report
Enacted the Washington Voting Rights Act, a major structural reform that creates opportunities for under-represented communities to elect candidates of color across Washington State.

Passed the strongest local sanctuary policy in the nation to keep families together by preventing local law enforcement from working with unjust federal immigration enforcement in King County and sued the Trump Administration to reunite families separated by the Muslim travel ban.

Stopped the construction of a dirty, dangerous oil-by-rail terminal in Vancouver, WA with key allies to protect the well-being of communities of color and fight climate change.

Elected the most diverse legislature in our state’s history and elected a pro-immigrant candidate to the 8th Congressional District, helping block Trump in Congress.

Spearheaded a Community Language Organizing cohort of grassroots leaders trained to run campaigns to expand bilingual education in South King County schools.

Launched our new theory of change, centering grassroots power building and a model for transformative organizing.
to take action on our state and federal legislative priorities

Provided free English classes for

applying for citizenship

individuals trained to run for office through newly established partnership with New American Leaders

of 29 general elections of OneAmerica Votes endorsed candidates, increasing the legislators of color in Olympia by one-third
COMMUNITY LEADERS

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GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

OneAmerica’s mission is to build power within immigrant communities, and our community is at the core of that mission. We recognize and thank the leaders listed below for their significant commitment, bravery, intelligence, compassion and resilience.

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OneAmerica means so much to me because it is a place where immigrants can join together and realize our own power when we organize.

~ Dani, a OneAmerica leader
“My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together.

- Desmond Tutu
‘ILLHIL IMPOSSIBLE EST’
NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE
FROM A ONEAMERICA COMMUNITY LEADER

Sharon has been a OneAmerica leader for the past three years and is hoping her story will help others find their power.

I remember being a teenager and looking down at my dirty black hands wishing I had someone else’s life. Back then, I had to work in the fields, picking cherries and other agricultural products while adjusting to a new life.

When I was 14 years old my father died, leaving my family in debt. My mother was unable to find a job in Mexico and made the hard decision to immigrate to the U.S., taking me with her. We came to this country with a backpack full of clothes and dreams.

I had to adjust to a new town, a new language and new friends. I remember deciding to eliminate anything that made me Mexican. If erasing my culture would make it less likely that I would be associated with ‘illegals’, murderers, rapists or criminals, then I was willing to do it. I would hide my immigration status and the fact that I am a DACA recipient.

For years I lost my voice, but OneAmerica helped me regain it. I may be ‘illegal’ to some
but what is truly wrong is not allowing people like myself—who are working hard to make an honest living, who have gotten themselves through college, who volunteer—have the right to a path to citizenship.

While DACA has granted me opportunities, the fear of being deported remains. People like you who support OneAmerica’s mission are leading the way to change so that people like me who consider this country their home can someday be U.S. citizens. Being a leader with OneAmerica has given me hope that if we keep fighting, building movements and supporting people to step into their power, we will one day win.

My dad used to say “līllīlī impossible est” which means “nothing is impossible.” With the support of OneAmerica and people like you, young people like myself will forge a different path forward.
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- Foundations: 32%
- Corporate & Organizational: 23%
- Government: 33%
- Individuals: 12%

**EXPENSES**
$3,453,023.43

- Program: 79%
- Administration: 16%
- Development: 5%
**ONE AMERICA VOTES**

**REVENUE**  
$194,323.50

**EXPENSES**  
$175,341.95

![Graph showing revenue and expenses for One America Votes]

**ONE AMERICA VOTES JUSTICE FUND**

**REVENUE**  
$55,249.50

**EXPENSES**  
$72,404.16

![Graph showing revenue and expenses for One America Votes Justice Fund]