

Serving immigrant survivors on their journeys to safety and justice

The Tahirih Justice Center is a national, nonprofit organization that serves women, girls, and all immigrant survivors of gender-based violence.

Our whole-person approach to services provides each survivor with free legal support and social services to secure their rights and build stable lives, while engaging in training and policy advocacy to ensure that communities, laws, and policies protect survivors from violence and exploitation.

Our programs efficiently and effectively leverage donated professional services from a vast network of attorneys, medical professionals, and other experts to serve as many immigrant survivors as possible.

By amplifying the experiences of survivors, our mission is to create a world in which all people share equal rights and live in safety and with dignity.

DIRECT SERVICES

We support survivors of violence through free legal and social services, from direct representation to emergency shelter, food, and health care. Access to these basic needs allows Tahirih clients to build lives of safety and comfort in a new and unfamiliar place.

POLICY ADVOCACY

We engage in nonpartisan public policy advocacy—centering the needs of immigrant survivors in communities, courts, and Congress—to ensure that laws and policies protect survivors’ right to be free from violence and exploitation.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & TRAINING

We educate thousands of frontline professionals on the unique obstacles that immigrant survivors face, giving communities the essential tools they need to help survivors in crisis.

PRO BONO NETWORK

We partner with a nationwide network of more than 2,800 pro bono attorneys, medical professionals, and other volunteers, multiplying the impact of every dollar donated.



The Tahirih Justice Center gave me hope, even when I thought it was not possible. They showed me that my fight mattered—that my life mattered... Because of them, I no longer have to hide in the shadows, I no longer live with uncertainty, I can finally work legally and provide for my son and daughter.

**I'm home, I'm safe,
I'm free.**

CLARA, FORMER TAHIRIH CLIENT





Our impact

In 2022, Tahirih:

- **Advocated** successfully for the renewal of the Violence Against Women Act, which defined forced marriage as a form of gender-based violence for the first time.
- **Celebrated** one year since the start of our Afghan Asylum Project, with nearly 300 calls for information and referrals answered, over 200 asylum seekers served, around 500 pro bono attorneys mentored, and two asylum cases won so far.
- **Partnered** with Oxfam America to study gender-based violence at the southern border and the legal access barriers that survivors encounter and published a report with the findings and recommendations.
- **Coordinated** a coalition of local advocates, including survivors, to champion and help pass a bill that restricts child marriage in Maryland by raising the minimum age to marry from 15 to 17. Massachusetts and Alaska also passed bills this year to limit child marriage.
- **Prevailed** in a lawsuit that challenged 2020 regulations severely restricting work authorization for people seeking asylum.

2022 BY THE NUMBERS

2,633

clients and their family members
impacted through free legal services

337

clients and their family members
connected to vital social services

1,295

attorneys who co-counseled cases

5,864

community members educated and
frontline professionals trained

2022 PARTNERS INCLUDE:

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative
Collective Future Fund
Department of Justice,
Office on Violence
Against Women

Fondation CHANEL
Julian Grace Foundation
PayPal Community
Impact Fund

The Jacob and Hilda
Blaustein Foundation
Uber Technologies
Wayfarer Foundation

Welcome Fund
William Randolph
Hearst Foundation