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Los Angeles City Councilmember



THE **NEW 9th**



IMMIGRATION

Tower of Strength for Immigrant Families

Councilmember Curren Price has been a longstanding champion of immigrant families going on to secure millions of dollars to protect marginalized communities, as well as providing support and resources to immigrant advocacy groups, which have brought much-needed services to South LA that include:

- Years-long partnership with the **Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)** and the **Central American Resource Center (CARECEN)** has allowed two of the largest and most trusted immigrant-rights groups in California to expand free legal services, community education and outreach in District 9
- Dedicated funds for CD 9 individuals and families have provided free immigration and consultation services, as well as financial assistance to pay for **Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)**, **Temporary Protected Status (TPS)** and **U.S. Citizenship application** and renewal fees
- Other immigration relief services available to Ninth District neighbors include family petitions, deportation defense, advance parole requests, representation in complex immigration cases and other family-based immigration relief for low-income constituents
- In 2017, CHIRLA opened the first South LA Satellite Office within Councilman Price's District Office. Since then, CHIRLA's programming proved to be highly successful and they were in need of additional space to continue to provide services to immigrant and refugee communities. In 2021, Councilmember Price introduced a motion that made it possible for CHIRLA to negotiate a non-profit lease of the City-owned Old Junipero Serra Library, located at 4255 S. Olive St., for a minimum of 25 years
- In 2017, the City of Los Angeles, in collaboration with Los Angeles County, the Weingart Foundation and the California Community Foundation (CCF), allocated \$7.4 million to launch the LA Justice Fund (LAFJ). The innovative cross-sector program established a defense fund to help individuals and families dealing with deportation and removal proceedings in Los Angeles County. Most recently in 2021, Councilmember Price, in conjunction with Councilmember Kevin de Leon, served on the Budget and Finance Committee and successfully advocated for and secured \$2 million for the latest program

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