

IMMIGRANTS RISING

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Impact Report Fiscal Year 2026



Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Immigrants Rising Community,

When I graduated from Fresno State with a degree in mathematics in 2009, I was undocumented and had no roadmap for what came next. Like so many undocumented college graduates at the time, I had earned my degree but had few opportunities to use it. I enrolled in graduate school in New York, but when I ran out of money, I had no choice but to return home. For a while, I mowed lawns with my dad. Then I moved to the Bay Area alone—no family, no friends, no connections—and pieced together whatever work I could find on Craigslist: tutoring, event coordination, waitressing, bartending. Most of it had nothing to do with my degree, but it kept me going while I searched for a future that felt just out of reach.

What came next was Immigrants Rising.

In 2010, I came to the organization as someone looking for resources, and I ended up writing one. The [Life After College Guide](#)—the first resource I ever created—came out of interviews with undocumented students and college graduates who were doing extraordinary things in education, law, medicine, and business. Listening to those stories became a healing process for me, too. They reminded me that our futures could be bigger than the barriers placed before us. In the years that followed, I completed my Ph.D. as a DACA recipient, built a career dedicated to expanding opportunity for undocumented communities, and eventually returned to lead the very organization that first believed in me. That's what Immigrants Rising has always done: transformed the search for answers into a movement of possibility. You come looking for a guide and end up becoming one.



Iliana with her family at her M.A. graduation



Iliana celebrates the culmination of her Ph.D. in Education Policy, surrounded by her family and loved ones

This year marks 20 years of Immigrants Rising. I now have the incredible privilege of leading and celebrating this organization. What began as scholarship support for undocumented students in the Bay Area has grown into a thriving community that has empowered hundreds of thousands of undocumented people to pursue higher education, launch businesses, advance their careers, and lead movements for change. We watched scholars become entrepreneurs, students become advocates, and participants become the leaders who now sit on our board and run our programs. Nothing captures our twenty-year journey more powerfully than this full-circle moment. Our community has always been the engine of this work, and this impact report celebrates not only what we accomplished this year, but the extraordinary legacy we have built together—and the future we are creating together.

As you explore these pages, you'll not only find the impact of Fiscal Year 2026, but also a timeline that reflects two decades of innovation, advocacy, and community leadership. It is a reminder that every program, campaign, and resource we have built rests on the vision and courage of undocumented people who refused to accept the status quo.

Fiscal Year 2026 was another hostile year for undocumented immigrants. The political environment continued to create uncertainty and barriers, testing our resilience at every turn. Yet, as we have done for twenty years, we refused to wait for permission to persist, create, lead, or advocate. Instead, we strengthened partnerships, expanded opportunities, and continued investing in the brilliance of our community.

As we celebrate where we've been, we're also looking ahead. This year, we launched our [Strategic Plan for 2026-2028](#) and the [California Blueprint for Immigrant Socioeconomic Prosperity](#), two bold roadmaps that build on twenty years of learning and reaffirm our commitment to higher education, career pathways, and entrepreneurship as drivers of economic mobility. Twenty years have shown us what works. The next chapter is about expanding that impact even further.

In community,



Iliana G. Perez, Ph.D.
Executive Director, Immigrants Rising

20-Year Voices: Program Participants Over the Years

We Are Innovative: Valeria

2012 was an eventful year: the CA Dream Act just went into law, DACA passed, and the end of the world was all over the news. For Valeria, life was just starting. New to the United States, Valeria found her way to Immigrants Rising, back when it was called Education for Fair Consideration (E4FC), as an Outreach Ambassador.

Being an Outreach Ambassador had a massive impact. We would go to different schools that requested presentations on how to go to college, apply for the CA Dream Act, and the basics. By teaching others, I also learned how to get there myself.

She was a newcomer, but determined to become an engineer, even if ineligible for DACA or the CA Dream Act. The then-Outreach Manager and program coordinators, who were only a few years older than her—Jose Ivan, Rodrigo, and Rocio—solidified her confidence to take that leap of faith. Valeria applied and ultimately attended Santa Clara University on a full-ride scholarship.

Now, Valeria is her own boss, doing mechanical design for various robotics startups. She found the [Life After College guide](#) at such a crucial time, when she discovered that by selling her expertise, entrepreneurship is a clear pathway to building a stable livelihood in the field she's passionate about.

Making an income based on what you want does not have to depend on your immigration status. There are challenges, yes, but we are creative people. We figure out how to make it work.

Throughout the years, she has mentored numerous undocumented students in STEM and helped them gain professional experience. Valeria returned to Immigrants Rising as a Board Member in 2025, where her presence ensures that in every direction

we go, the organization stays close and true to our mission. She embodies what Immigrants Rising is about: equipping undocumented students with the resources, support, and community to pursue their goals and give back to their communities.



Valeria with a FANUC robot



Valeria (right) at Immigrants Rising's 15th Anniversary celebration

We Are Relentless: Shirleen

Shirleen first joined Immigrants Rising as an Education Fellow in 2021-2022, just shortly after graduating from UC Irvine. Amid COVID-19 and amplified police brutality against Black communities, Shirleen channeled her energy to develop and co-author the [Guide to Effectively Supporting Black Undocumented Students](#). This resource was one of the few specific to Black undocumented students at the time, and one that was profoundly reflective of what Black and undocumented students experienced during this period.

I don't take that experience for granted. I had to accurately represent their experiences, needs, and challenges, including getting police off campuses. I'm glad that Immigrants Rising encouraged an intentional space where we can be raw and honest, because it's an important part of the undocu-Black experience.

Shirleen's world completely shifted. She originally went to college determined to somehow get into medical school without work authorization, but has found her soul's calling in helping her communities find their joy and agency through her writings and spiritual work ([Shirleen's Divine Self](#)). For the first time, Shirleen also traveled to New York and New Orleans to present this resource at conferences, including the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity (NCORE).

In the last half-decade, Shirleen has been an integral part of Immigrants Rising. She was featured in [The Future Is Undocumented](#) and, most recently, a participant in the Career Activity Groups and Home Is Here Opportunity Program, where she connected with undocumented students throughout California.

Beyond the financial support, Immigrants Rising awakened me to my power and revived my sense of hope and faith. It hasn't been easy, but I've managed to do it for the last six years, and things always worked out. When I present to the community, I also tap into that conviction and passionate energy and know it's possible, even if you have to go the extra mile. There's no other way. The universe will bend its will for me.



Shirleen's spiritual work can be found on shirleensdivineself.com



Shirleen tables at community markets in Southern California



Shirleen co-presents at NCORE

Our 20-Year Highlights

Immigrants Rising has grown from a scholarship program into a holistic organization supporting individual agency, capacity building, and affecting systems change. Responsively, we grew in step with the legislative landscape—shaped by the laws that impact our community and worked to shape the policies that created new possibilities. As we reach our 20-year mark, we make our most focused commitment yet to higher education access, career pathways, and entrepreneurship as real paths to economic mobility.

Year	Legislation	Immigrants Rising
2001	AB 540 established in-state tuition for undocumented students in California Introduction of the DREAM Act	
2006		Launched the New American Scholarship Program for AB 540-eligible students, most of whom were still locked out of financial aid
2009		Launched our first-ever resource, “List of Scholarships that don’t require SSN,” to expand support beyond our own scholarship
2011	CA Dream Act (CADAA) established state financial aid for undocumented students	
2012	DACA Program established	Launched “Life After College” guide to prepare scholars after graduation
2014	SB 1159 enabled qualified individuals to obtain professional and occupational licenses regardless of their immigration status	Launched first fellowship program to provide undocumented students with career-building opportunities
2016		Launched Fund for Undocumented Social Entrepreneurs (FUSE), instilling entrepreneurship as a viable career pathway from 2016 to 2019 Launched UndocuAlly trainings, extending our reach to those who support undocumented students Joined the California Undocumented Higher Education Coalition
2017	Under Trump 1.0, the DACA Program was paused That same year, fortunately, SB 68 expanded access to in-state tuition to undocumented adult students	Responded to growing confusion around AB 540 expansion with new resources and tools for educators to better advise undocumented students
2018		Launched the California Campus Catalyst Fund, a \$14M initiative, to expand support for undocumented college students and their families. The fund supported 32 campuses and 25,000+ students from 2018 to 2021 Launched the In-State Tuition Tool to help students and their educators determine AB540 eligibility

Year	Legislation	Immigrants Rising
2020	AB 1645 mandated that higher education campuses designate a dedicated staff member as a Dreamer Resource Liaison	Launched Entrepreneurship Kickstarter Grants Building off of our Entrepreneurship Kickstarter Grants model, we advocated for a state-funded initiative to support undocumented entrepreneurs Launched Mental Health Programs
2021	SEED 1.0 and 2.0 provided \$26M+ in microgrants for immigrants with barriers to employment to launch or grow their businesses	Distributed \$5.4M in grants to 1,000 entrepreneurs under SEED 1.0 and 2.0
2022	Dreamer Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) opened up possibilities for AB 540 students to gain work experience and earn additional financial aid	
2023		Celebrated Kathy Gin's legacy and welcomed Iliana G. Perez, Ph.D., as the next Executive Director CCC, CSU, and UC systems sign the AB 540 FAQ, a central reference point for practitioners advising undocumented students
2024		Established Immigrants Rising as an independent 501(c)3 and launched our inaugural Board of Directors Joined the Economic Mobility for All Coalition as a founding co-anchor to advance entrepreneurship and economic opportunity for undocumented immigrants Joined the Opportunity for All coalition, aimed at expanding paid training and research opportunities for undocumented students Joined the Home is Here campaign for protecting DACA recipients and all immigrant communities
2025	The Department of Homeland Security makes multiple attempts to use the IRS's taxpayer information for immigration operations. In a difficult year for immigrants nationwide, SEED 3.0 was approved for \$6.75 million	Under Trump 2.0, Immigrants Rising was targeted by a Congressional letter from DHS, intimidating organizations standing with immigrant communities Amidst a very hostile environment towards immigrants, we still uplifted possibilities through Home Is Here Program , Rise & Thrive Pitch Competition , Career Activity Groups , Promising Practices Roundtables , Wellness Support Groups , SUCCESS conference .
2026	SEED 4.0 was approved for \$10.8 million	Launched the California Blueprint for Immigrant Socioeconomic Prosperity , a practical roadmap to ensure undocumented Californians can fully participate in the state's education systems, workforce, economy, and civic life

Our Fiscal Year 2026 Impact



Immigrants Rising helped me share my story with intention, while I gained tools and confidence to create a pathway for myself despite uncertainty. In times like these, choosing to continue your education, to take up space, and to invest in your voice is powerful. My story did not end with survival. It continues by making sure others do not have to navigate these systems alone.

- Melanny

Home Is Here Opportunity Program Participant

Our work is driven by and for undocumented people, grounded in relationships and community, and rooted in an asset-based understanding of undocumented communities as leaders and contributors. We are innovative and persistent, and we take the long view: while we focus on today's undocumented people, we pursue solutions that expand opportunity for future generations as well.

Immigrants Rising's Theory of Change is grounded in a simple truth: undocumented people face barriers that are structural, not personal—and those barriers require action at multiple levels at once. Our work is organized across three mutually reinforcing strategies: individual agency, institutional capacity, and systems-level change.



By the Numbers

For twenty years, Immigrants Rising has been built by and for the communities we serve. What started in 2006 has grown into a nationwide network of students, entrepreneurs, educators, and advocates all working toward a future where immigration status is never a barrier to belonging or opportunity. This year, we are proud to share the impact we made together.



\$10.8 million secured
for SEED 4.0



1.8 million visits to
crucial resources on
our website



\$417,300 in financial
support for young
professionals and
entrepreneurs



68% of all California
public Higher Education
institutions trained



906 educators
and community
members trained



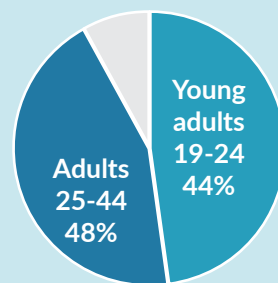
1,116 students
and entrepreneurs
participated in
programs



75% of our
participants are women,
non-binary, or trans



77% of our
participants are Latinx



92% of our
participants are young
adults and adults

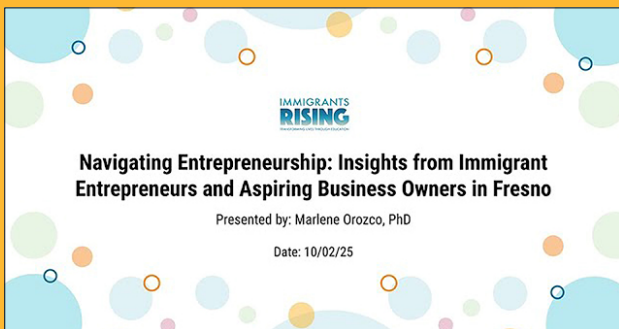
Key Events & Activities



Immigrants Rising wins CLCAF Viva Latino Awards' Non-Profit of the Year (August 20, 2025)



Immigrants Rising co-hosts the third SUCCESS Conference in Chicago, IL (September 9-12, 2025)



"Navigating Entrepreneurship: Insights from Immigrant Entrepreneurs and Aspiring Business Owners in Fresno" Launch (October 2, 2025)



Iliana Perez joins the panel, "Unlocking Economic Power: Public Procurement as a Tool," at the CA Economic Summit (October 21-23, 2025)



CA Immigrant Policy Center's Press Conference in response to Gov. Newsom's state budget proposal (January 14, 2026)



Second annual Rise & Thrive Pitch Competition during the Fresno State Dream Week (March 19, 2026)



Career Pathways Innovation Strategist, Rocio P., presents at the CACCRAO Conference (March 29-April 1, 2026)



Team members and Dr. Marlene Orozco at the Immigrant Day of Action in Sacramento (April 14-15, 2026)



Immigrants Rising participates in DACA Anniversary mobilizations in Los Angeles with UndocuProfessionals and Washington, D.C., with the Home Is Here Coalition (June 13-15, 2026)

Mental Health Program Sunsets in 2026

The Mental Health program at Immigrants Rising concluded its program on July 31, 2026. We are incredibly grateful for the impact it has made and the people who made it possible. From 2020 to 2026, our team served over 2,664 individuals through our Wellness Support Groups and Mental Health Connector, 17 undocumented aspiring therapists through the Mental Health Career Program, and tens of thousands more reached through our mental health resources. We thank all the staff, fellows, volunteers, partners, and funders who supported the Mental Health programs over the years. Although we will no longer provide mental health services, we remain committed to integrating mental health topics into our programs. We will continue to share relevant mental health and well-being resources with our community members.

Systems-Level Change



“Many people, including long-time immigrant rights advocates, older generations like our parents, and formerly incarcerated folks, are still left out of important policies like DACA. So, I am here today not just to uplift my story as a DACA recipient, but to bring those stories to the forefront. We have to stay true to what feels right in our hearts—where we come from, the lessons, journeys, our culturas—because they belong here, too.

- Deyci

Home Is Here Opportunity Program Participant & SEED Grantee

At Immigrants Rising, systems-level change takes many forms. Through policy advocacy, we work to create, expand, and protect opportunities for undocumented individuals to: 1) access higher education, 2) advance their careers, 3) start businesses, and 4) achieve economic mobility. Through research, we generate evidence that reframes narratives while informing the policies and practices that shape our community's future.

This year, Immigrants Rising is focused on a set of priorities that defend existing protections, expand pathways to careers and economic mobility, and secure lasting federal protections for DACA recipients.

2025-2026 Policy Priorities

- California | Access to College & Career
 - AB 540 Defense & Equitable Implementation
 - Opportunity for All
 - Master Plan for Career Education Equitable Implementation
- California | Economic Mobility
 - State Budget Request for SEED 4.0
- National | DACA Protection
 - DACA Protection, with Home Is Here Coalition

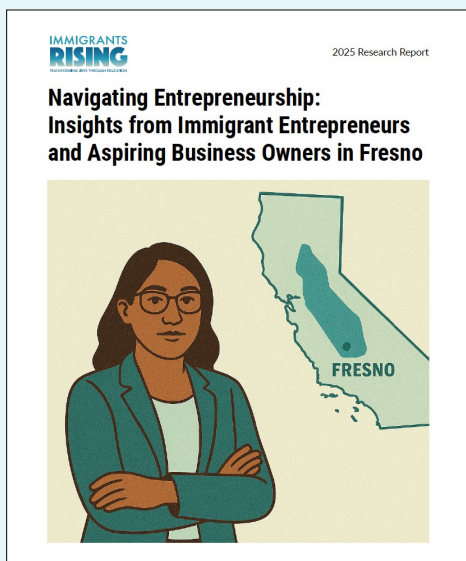
Policy Updates

In a landscape of constant change and misinformation, we've been a steady, trusted voice sharing clear, timely policy updates on social media to help our community navigate what's ahead.



Research & Thought Partnership

This fiscal year, Immigrants Rising produced research and thought leadership that strengthens the case for policy change and offers a roadmap for inclusive systems that actually work. From the ground-level realities of immigrant entrepreneurs in the Central Valley to data demonstrating SEED's impact on California's economy and a statewide blueprint for immigrant socioeconomic prosperity, our work puts evidence behind the change we're fighting for.



A New Strategic Plan - Why Now



“Think of the Strategic Plan as a compass that can guide you on how Immigrants Rising can support you in your day-to-day life, where you can invest your time with us, and what resources, events, and advocacy areas you can join us in. If you’ve ever wondered how we can support or complement your ideas and the work you’re leading in your organization or institution, take a look at our strategic plan. Let’s grow and expand together.

- **Laura Monica**
Director of Programs

After twenty years of this work, we see clearly that this moment calls for something different from us.

The political environment demands both realism and readiness. Our community faces relentless pressure: uncertainty around DACA and TPS, escalating immigration enforcement, and a federal posture that has not hesitated to target organizations like ours. For many undocumented people, the erosion of protections means pathways to education, stable work, and economic security are narrowing. At the same time, the pull of constant crisis drowns out the necessary long-term, structural work that creates lasting change.

And yet, opportunity is present. Economic mobility has emerged as a powerful frame that connects our mission to the broader public interest, making visible what our community contributes to local economies, higher education, entrepreneurship, and the fabric of California life. Our state remains a critical site for national movement: coalitions are strong, legislative champions exist, and a track record of policy wins can be protected, faithfully implemented, and expanded.

The undocumented community has always found ways to persist, create, and lead, even under pressure. That resilience is not incidental to our work; it is the foundation of it. Twenty years of relationships, trust, and demonstrated impact have positioned Immigrants Rising to meet this moment with clarity and conviction.

The next chapter must be defined by disciplined focus and strategic depth. We are sharpening our ambition so that Immigrants Rising can withstand volatility, deepen our impact, and be here for our community for the next twenty years.

Our Goals

Over 2026-2028, Immigrants Rising will concentrate its programmatic and systems-change efforts around a clear core: (1) Higher Education Access & Affordability, (2) Higher Education to Career Pathways, and (3) Entrepreneurship as an Economic Mobility Strategy

The Strategic Plan sets forth six goals in service to these pillars:



Goal 1: Protect and Expand Higher Education Affordability and Access

Immigrants Rising has been a trusted guide for undocumented students and the educators & institutions that support them. We make complex policies understandable, identify barriers that others miss, and drive faithful implementation. Advancing policy and producing resources are only meaningful when those resources translate into consistent access for students across institutions.

In the next three years, we are deepening this work as a core pillar of our mission. This includes expanding our digital resources and tools, ensuring institutional adoption of new policies, and scaling how we build capacity for those who serve undocumented students.



Goal 2: Establish Entrepreneurship as a Reliable Economic Mobility Pathway

For many undocumented people, entrepreneurship is often the most accessible path to stability and economic mobility. Self-employment, independent contracting, and business ownership offer lawful ways to earn income, build skills, and move toward longer-term career goals when traditional employment pathways remain out of reach.

We bring a unique combination of program experience, applied research, coalition relationships, and narrative credibility to this space. We work beyond supporting individual entrepreneurs: we also shift the systems, policies, and budgets that ensure entrepreneurship remains a viable path. We are building on that foundation to establish entrepreneurship as a coherent, well-resourced economic mobility platform for undocumented communities across California and beyond.



Goal 3: Strengthen Career Pathways and Work- Based Opportunities

Undocumented students and professionals are in all types of fields. Yet, immigration status too often stands between them and the paid work experience, professional licensing, and clear career navigation they need to get there.

We help undocumented students and graduates understand their options, gain lawful work-based experience, and navigate systems that were not designed with them in mind. Not only that, but we reshape career education and workforce systems so they more fully include our community. Over the next three years, we are bringing our career-related work together into a cohesive strategy that simultaneously advances individual opportunity and the systems-level change needed to make those opportunities real and lasting.



Goal 4: Translate Policy into Practice Through Focused Advocacy, Coalition Leadership, and Accountability

Passing policy is only the beginning. The real work is where Immigrants Rising focuses its advocacy energy: closing the gap between policy and practice and ensuring that laws, regulations, and public investments actually translate into real access for undocumented people.

We aim to pursue a disciplined advocacy agenda anchored in California—Immigrants Rising’s home state—where coalitions are strong and legislative champions exist, while intentionally engaging at the interstate and federal levels. We will continue to advance specific legislative and budget priorities and invest in developing frameworks and implementation roadmaps to move elected leaders and institutions toward proactive, forward-looking strategies for the undocumented community.



**Goal 5:
Shape the Field
Through Research,
Narrative,
and Strategic
Communications
That Advance
Economic Mobility**

Undocumented people are workers, neighbors, homeowners, entrepreneurs, and leaders—and yet, too often, public narratives about our community are narrow, deficit-focused, or limited to a single policy frame. Our goal is to broaden the conversation beyond any single issue or population, and to advance an asset-based understanding of undocumented communities that reflects the full scope of their humanity and impact.

We are uniquely positioned to pair lived experience with credible data and tell fuller, more accurate stories about who undocumented people are. Research and narrative change will be our strategic tools to inform policy progress, deepen public understanding, and make the case for the investments our community deserves over the next three years.



**Goal 6:
Build a Resilient,
Focused, and
Financially
Sustainable
Organization**

Immigrants Rising's ability to show up for our community depends on our ability to take care of ourselves as an organization. Sustainability is not separate from us—it is what makes our mission possible. These next three years will focus on making deliberate investments in our organizational health: aligning our staffing, resources, and energy to the work that matters most and building the financial foundation that allows us to grow responsibly and weather uncertainty without losing focus or momentum.

Twenty years in, we know that lasting change requires organizations that last. We are committed to being here—strong, focused, and ready—for the communities we serve for at least another twenty.

Our Team



“The Immigrants Rising team has the shared lived experiences of immigrating to the U.S., but what’s most powerful is how this diversity of experiences translates into a sophisticated ecosystem of support for our communities. Organizing a group of leaders from different sectors, occupations, and communities is possible because everyone’s heart is deeply connected to the work.

- Nicole Anand
Board Chair

We are the communities we serve. At Immigrants Rising, our work is deeply personal. Many of our staff navigated life, college, and career while undocumented, often also first-generation and low-income. These shared experiences shape how we lead, design, advocate, partner, and support. They ground our work in empathy, credibility, and a deeper understanding of the journeys our students and entrepreneurs navigate. We are a team of 29 staff, a volunteer, consultants, and 12 board members—all working selflessly and tirelessly to bring a positive impact on the undocumented community. We are immensely grateful for everyone’s dedication to our mission of transforming individuals and fueling broader changes nationwide. Our programs, achievements, and impact are only possible because of the incredible people who make up Immigrants Rising. To every individual who is a part of Immigrants Rising, thank you!



Our Board of Directors

This year, our team experienced powerful transitions, milestones, and full-circle moments.

As we spun off to become an independent nonprofit, we welcomed new staff and board members who bring fresh insight, lived experience, and a deep commitment to immigrant justice, including several who began their journeys with us as program participants.

We also celebrated colleagues who reached tenure milestones and took well-deserved sabbaticals, reflecting our commitment to sustainability and care. At the same time, we said goodbye to team members whose leadership and impact helped shape Immigrants Rising's path. Through each transition, our team continues to grow, evolve, and reflect the resilient, visionary community we serve.



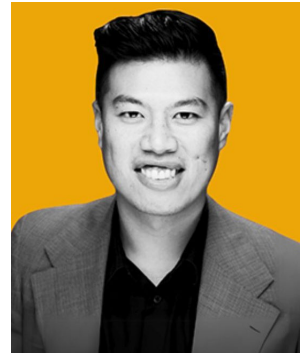
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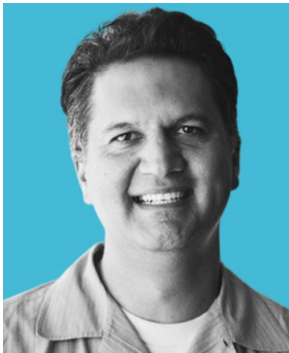
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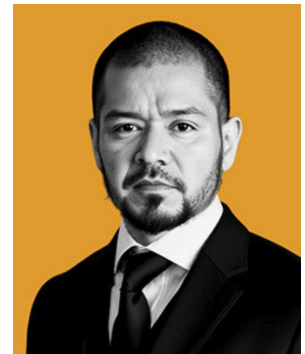
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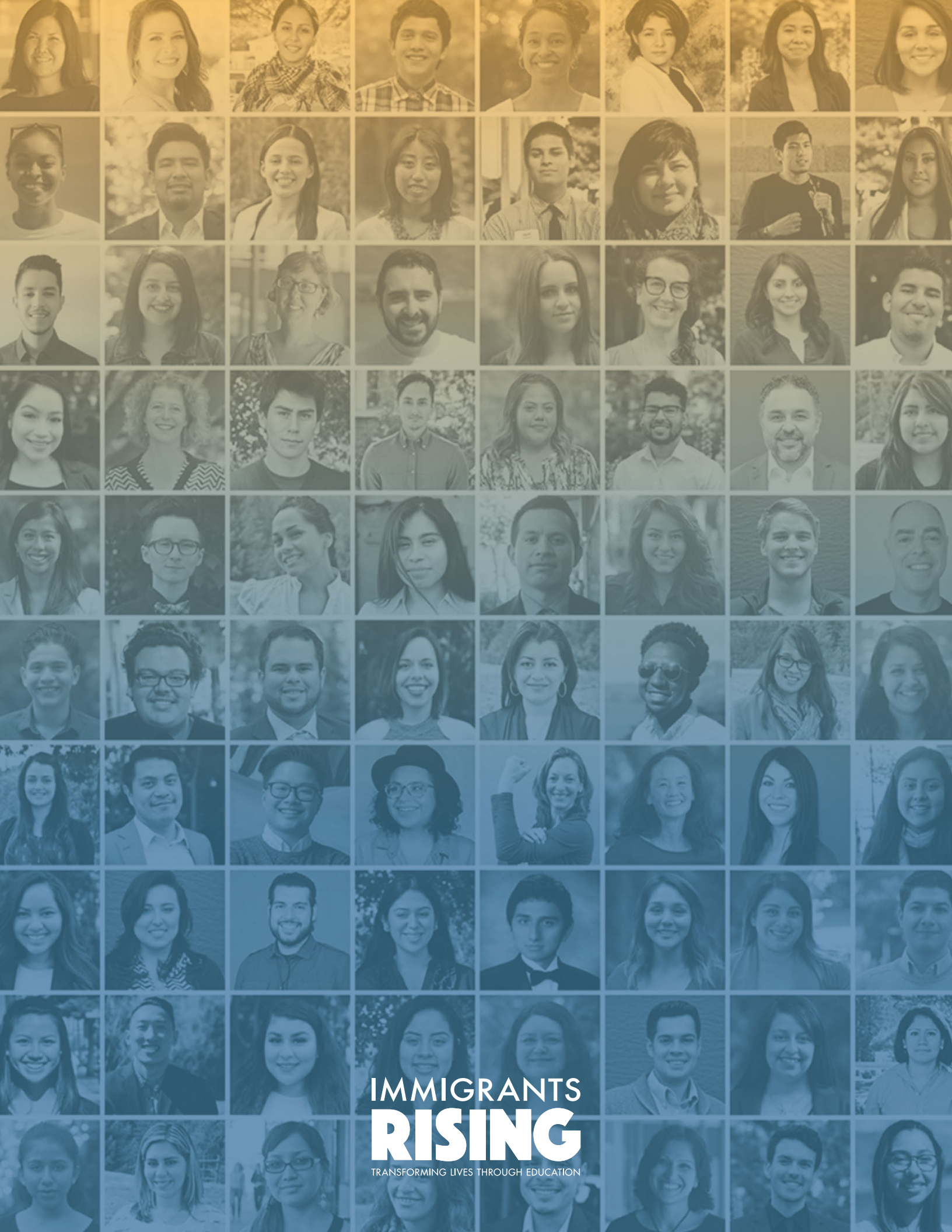
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