INSTITUTE E-NEWSLETTER

Monthly events, news, and information updates from your friends at the Institute!

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Events on the Horizon!

10/17: Buffalo without Borders
5:30 PM - 9 PM

Buffalo without Borders is the only event where you can taste dishes from all around the globe in one night!

Join us for a night of cultural restaurants, vendors, and performances.

Buy Tickets Here

What's Been Happening at The Institute?

New Staff
This has been such an exciting summer for our institute as we’ve hired 10 new employees! Here are all the employees hired in the last three months in front of our BRAND NEW International Institute of Buffalo sign.

It is a time of new growth and opportunity at the institute and we are glad to have all of our new members on board!

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**Presidential Determination Press Conference**

The Institute joined other organizations in pushing back against the Trump administration’s proposal to cap refugee admissions to zero in 2020, effectively eliminating the Refugee Resettlement program.

Our Director Eva Hassett is quoted, "Buffalo, the City of Good Neighbors, has enormous capacity to help people, and enormous capacity to welcome refugees. We are ready, willing and able, and we do not want to stop."

Read the full Buffalo News article [here](#).

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**International Visitors Highlight**

**Community Leadership for Women, The Palestinian Territories, August 4th-8th.**

A delegation of women from the Palestinian Territories traveled to Buffalo, NY from August 4th-8th to meet with their American counterparts to discuss strategies for directing positive political, social & economic change for women in a democratic society. The group shared essential leadership skills and examined laws and legislations that protect women’s equal rights. Thank you to Open Buffalo, the YWCA, the Western New York Women’s Foundation, and the International Institute of Buffalo (May J) who met with the delegation to exchange dialogue and best practices on these issues.
Transparency & Accountability in Government, Angola, August 15th-20th

A group of seven IVLP participants arrived in Buffalo to discuss underlying principles of ethical systems for accountability in government and business in the United States, explore the effects of transparency on trade, investment and economic development, and highlight the mechanisms that enable citizens to foster good governance, ethical standards and accountability at the local, state and federal levels. Thank you to Councilman Joel Feroleto, the Office of Mark Poloncarz, the Partnership for the Public Good, and the Erie County Ethics Board for meeting with the group to exchange ideas and best practices.

Thank You to Our Donors!

Thank you Daemon College!

Daemen College Residential Life donated chairs and tables that saved our families hundreds of dollars!

We are so thankful for this thoughtful contribution!

Book Donations

Thank you to everyone who has donated books and e-readers.

From "Their Eyes Were Watching God" to "White Teeth," to an e-reader our client was gifted, hours of entertainment and education were all because of your generous donations.

Keep an eye out for more donation drives posted on our Facebook page.

The Families Still in Need

Thank you to everyone who has been donating to the four families coming in the
Every item donated to these families is one less they have to pay for, allowing them to focus on rent, utilities and food. Your donations also show our newest neighbors that they are welcomed and helps Buffalo start to feel like their home!

Click on each family to see what they need: 
- Rwandan Father
- Congolese Family, a mother and her four children
- Young Afghan Woman
- Young Afghan Man