

RESOURCES FOR IMMIGRANT PROFESSIONALS*

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 <p>Upwardly Global 582 Market Street, Suite 1207 San Francisco, CA 94104 415-834-9901</p> <p>South Bay Office: Sobrato Center for Nonprofits 550A Valley Way, Milpitas, CA 95035 408-946-0500</p> <p>Working to eliminate employment barriers for skilled immigrants and integrate them into the professional U.S. workforce. https://www.upwardlyglobal.org/skilled-immigrant-job-seekers</p> <p>Professional Licensing Guide California: http://www.upwardlyglobal.org/skilled-immigrant-job-seekers/american-licensed-professions/california/Cal-licensed-professions-guides</p>	 <p>Welcome Back INITIATIVE International Health Worker Assistance Centers</p> <p>Located in 10 U. S. cities to assist health professionals to rebuild their careers in the U. S.</p> <p>http://www.welcomebackinitiative.org/wb/about/centers.html 1600 Holloway Ave. HSS-314 San Francisco, CA 94132</p> <p>http://www.welcomebackinitiative.org/wb/participant/ http://welcomebackinitiative.org/sf/</p> <p>Resources for Health Professionals: http://welcomebackinitiative.org/sf/links/</p>
 <p>Family Alliance for Counseling Tools and Resolution 2 N. Market St, Ste. # 420 San Jose, CA 95113 408-283-8943 info@factr.org</p> <p>Support groups for woman and families waiting for work visas, and high-tech professionals. Loss of profession grief counseling & forensic mental health services. Call for appointment: 408-807-1875.</p>	 <p>FWD.us Forward.us</p> <p>A community of dreamers and doers, entrepreneurs and engineers. Provides information, resources and support for immigrant professionals and all immigrants. Advocates for immigration reform. For general inquiries: info@fwd.us http://www.fwd.us/chapter_sf</p> <p>Support 4 immigrant entrepreneurs: http://www.fwd.us/pathways</p>
 <p>IRC San Jose 1210 S Bascom Ave # 227 San Jose, CA 95128</p> <p>408-277-0255 https://www.rescue.org/outcome/economic-wellbeing</p> <p>Helping professionals with first jobs, career-based scholarships, and IDA (Individual Development Account) program.</p>	 <p>Jewish Family Services of Silicon Valley 14855 Oka Road, Suite 202 Los Gatos CA 95032 408-556-0600 jfs@jfssv.org</p> <p>Employment services for refugees, asylees and parolees. Survival jobs while working on long-term professional goals.</p>
 <p>Useful Additional Resources, Toolkits, Career Centers, Reports</p> <p>Virtual Career Center: http://www.cacareercafe.com/</p> <p>ALLIES: http://www.allies4innovation.org/</p> <p>South Bay Consortium for Adult Education http://www.sbcae.org/ http://www.immigrantinfo.org</p> <p>Institute for Justice: Burdens of Licensing to Work report: http://ij.org/report/license-to-work/</p> <p>MIRA Coalition resources for highly skilled immigrants & refugees: https://miracoalition.org/images/stories/pdf/resources_for_high-skilled_immigrants.pdf</p>	 <p>PARS Equality Center 1635 The Alameda San Jose, CA 95126</p> <p>http://www.parsequalitycenter.org/social-services</p> <p>408-261-6400</p> <p>Mentorship program: a 5 week session to help professionals find a job within the network, otherwise more training is needed. The speaker series with prominent Silicon Valley Iranian-Americans also helpful with networking, professional development, and job search.</p>

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 <p>TIE Silicon Valley 415 Oakmead Pkwy Sunnyvale, CA 94085 408-567-0700 http://sv.tie.org/</p> <p>TIE strives to inspire entrepreneurs through mentoring, networking, education, incubating, and funding programs. TiEcon attracts business professionals and startup employees alike with keynote speakers, educational and networking opportunities. Networking and mentoring helps immigrant professionals to rebuild their careers.</p>	 <p>IMPRINT: Immigrant Professional Integration</p> <p>Bowling Green Station, P.O. Box 5087 New York, NY 10274-5087 contact@imprintproject.org http://www.imprintproject.org/ Publications: http://www.imprintproject.org/publications/ Bridging the gap for college educated immigrants: http://communitycolleges.globaltalentbridge.org/ Supporting Skilled Immigrants: A Toolkit for ESL Practitioners & Steps to Success: Integrating Immigrant Professionals in the United States: http://www.imprintproject.org/stepstosuccess/</p>
 <p>Community College Consortium for Immigrant Education</p> <p>A network of community colleges and experts in the field of immigrant education are committed to increasing educational and career opportunities for immigrant students.</p> <p>Westchester Community College • 75 Grasslands Road Valhalla, NY 10595 914-606-7866 • info@cccie.org http://cccie.org Internationally educated immigrants: http://www.cccie.org/immigration-education-advocacy-outreach/internationally-educated-immigrants</p>	 <p>World Education Services 212-219-7330 support@wes.org http://www.wes.org/immigrants/</p> <p>A non-profit organization that provides information for immigrant professionals, expert credential evaluation and advice.</p> <p>Global Talent Bridge: Bridging the Gap for Foreign-Educated Immigrants http://www.globaltalentbridge.org/ccguide/Bridging_the_Gap_for_Foreign-Educated_Immigrants.pdf WES Online Degree Equivalency Tool: http://www.wes.org/evaluations/preliminary.asp</p>
 <p>PRERNA prerna2inspire@gmail.com Tel: 203-794-6271 http://www.prerna2inspire.com/</p> <p>Prerna supports enrollment at all educational levels, as well as providing homework aid, ESL classes, and career planning. It also helps refugees find employment as skilled professionals by assisting them with job applications, resume-writing, mock interviews, and referrals to job opportunities. Prerna's staff provides guidance to its clients at all stages of education, job search and new employment.</p>	 <p>Refugee Transitions https://www.reftrans.org/ 415-989-2151 870 Market Street, Ste. 718 San Francisco, CA 94102</p> <p>This organization provides language and literacy classes to adult newcomers. Clients improve their English language skills and receive the training they need to improve their employment options, fully participate in their children's education, access vital community resources, achieve self-sufficiency, and become active participants in their new communities. Refugee Transitions is the only nonprofit agency in the San Francisco Bay Area that arranges english language and civics classes at community sites.</p>