

OIR IMMIGRANT BELONGING PROJECT 2023-2025

The Office of Immigrant Relations (OIR) is partnering with the Othering & Belonging Institute (OBI) at the University of California at Berkeley. The project includes gathering information shared by immigrant communities.

A countywide project like this has not been completed in over 20 years. This project will shape our understanding of the experiences of immigrants in the county for many years to come. We hope you will consider joining us. For more information on the project, please contact the OIR team at immigrant.relations@ceo.sccgov.org.

To take the survey, use the QR code below or go to: SCCimmigrantsurvey.com.



Frequently Asked Questions

Which communities will this project include?

OIR and OBI will reach out to immigrants who speak English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Cantonese, Tagalog, Hindi, Farsi, Arabic, Russian, Korean, and Amharic to participate in the project. We will approach trusted community organizations to assist in this process.

How can immigrant communities share their opinions?

We will collect information through a survey and community conversations. A survey has the opportunity to reach diverse immigrant groups. Meeting with the community can help with understanding belonging, service delivery, and other important priorities.

How will supporting this project benefit immigrant communities and local organizations?

Local organizations and decision makers will be able to use project findings to inform policy, funding, and service priorities. High levels of survey participation will ensure local organizations, advocates, and public officials have the best information to support immigrant belonging in the county.

When will the survey take place?

The survey will be available online in September and October 2023.

How can I take the survey?

The survey can be taken online through a link or QR code, and is available in 12 languages. There will be no paper survey.

How will this survey protect the confidentiality of participants?

Participants will not be asked for their name, address, or immigration status.

What kind of question will the survey ask?

Topics included in the survey:

- City of residence
- Country of origin
- Year of arrival in the US
- Work and employment opportunities
- Experiences of life challenges
- Services available in your community
- Legal services barriers
- High priority needs
- Experiences of discrimination
- Demographic questions