



**Annual Report  
FY 15 – 16**

## Dear Friends,

The 2016 presidential elections exposed a deep divide across our nation. Historians will be studying and analyzing this period in our country's history for years to come. From our vantage point at the International Institute of the Bay Area (IIBA), we experience this divide as an expression of fear. Fear of the stranger, fear of lost status, fear that the world as some have known it, is changing.

Since our founding in 1918, IIBA has built bridges between newcomers and the communities where they settle. We have been part of the work that helps those who arrive as strangers become neighbors, friends, and active community members.

That is the impact of the work of IIBA. We help newcomers gain a more secure future by reuniting families, helping individuals achieve their dream of citizenship, and assisting domestic violence victims to gain legal status. We accomplish this by surrounding our immigrant clients with staff, volunteers, pro bono attorneys, students, and the proverbial village to support them and provide them the immigration legal services they need to improve their lives. Last year, volunteers contributed 10,000 hours and joined IIBA staff to create that network of support which is vital to every thriving community. If that is not building bridges, we don't know what is.

Thanks to your past support, we have helped transform lives. Thanks to your continued support, we will continue to work with immigrants and refugees to build stronger, more inter-connected communities.

Please take a moment to read about some of the clients we have had the honor to work with this past year. It is their courage, hard work and indomitable spirit that motivates us each and every day. It is your partnership that allows us to do this work and help change lives.

Our heartfelt thanks!



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**International Institute of the Bay Area**  
**Serving Immigrants Since 1918**

# IIBA Client: David Mares



Academics have always been a passion for David Mares. When his undocumented status cast a cloud over his future, he found a safe haven at Napa Valley College. “I originally enrolled to learn English. I needed to be able to communicate with everyone,” David says. Eventually his college transcript would grow to include strenuous math and science classes, beginner’s guitar and meditation yoga.

Though David excelled in school, at times his work schedule would require him to drop a class. Determined to accomplish his academic goals, David would always retake the class. While he continued accumulating college credits in math, science, and English courses, David understood that his legal status would stop him from putting his new found knowledge to use. “That felt demoralizing at times,” David says.

In a sense, David lived in two realities, he pursued his education as though preparing for a future career in the U.S., and he knew at any moment he could be forced to return to his native country, Mexico. Through it all, he clung to a singular dream: to become a U.S. citizen.

During his time in community college, David developed a strong social network and close friendships. But one person, Elba, was the only one with whom David chose to share his struggles. David and Elba’s initial friendship blossomed into a lifelong commitment. Their marriage opened a path for David to become a U.S. resident, which enabled him to transfer to the University of California, Davis and complete his education, graduating with a degree in viticulture and enology.

When David became eligible for U.S. citizenship, Elba and David came to IIBA’s Napa office for assistance. “We wanted to get help from people we felt comfortable with and trusted,” Elba shares. After twenty-four years of sacrifice and hard work, David’s dream of becoming a U.S. citizen was finally becoming a reality.

“When you become a U.S. citizen,” says David, during the oath ceremony “America honors its new citizens’ past by naming all the nations represented. That really made me feel welcomed.” Ninety nations were represented by the people in the room that day, all of them realizing David’s same dream: a life and a future secured by citizenship.

# IIBA's Immigration Services



2,500 citizenship  
applications filed



280 families  
reunited



Over 300 women  
living free and  
safe from violence



250 youth continued  
their education and  
gained work authorization

Generous support from individual donors, foundations, corporations and government agencies allow IIBA to provide assistance to immigrants who might not otherwise be able to afford the services they need.

# IIBA Donor: Stephanie Krantz



Though Stephanie Krantz arrived in the U.S. in 1939 at the age of 16, she still remembers the excitement she felt when her ship sailed passed the Statue of Liberty and docked at Ellis Island.

Born in Berlin, Germany, Stephanie spent her adolescent years during the rise of Adolph Hitler. Forced to flee their home country to escape the Jewish concentration camps, Stephanie's father smuggled their life savings out of Germany and brought the family to Portugal. "During my year in Portugal," Stephanie recalls, "I attended an English speaking school to learn the language. Once in America, I would speak on behalf of my family because I understood the language best."

After a short stay in New York, Stephanie and her family settled in Chicago, where she attended the University of Chicago and reconnected with a childhood friend from Germany, who would become her husband.

When her husband's work moved the couple to San Francisco, Stephanie looked for volunteer opportunities. "I was listening to the radio when I heard that the International Institute was looking for volunteers interested in having weekly one-on-one conversations with new arrivals. I was really interested and called that same day to make an appointment."

Stephanie briefly volunteered with the International Institute before becoming a full time employee. In her fourteen years working for the Institute, Stephanie created the Foreign Student Program, connecting university students with local host families. The program became so well known that local universities and colleges would send their students to the Institute for housing assistance.

After retiring from the International Institute, Stephanie joined the board where she helped plan a yearly food gala fundraiser. Stephanie continues to support IIBA as one of our longest tenured donors. She says, "I donate to the Institute every year because it continues to do a good job and because the immigrant story will always be a part of my life."





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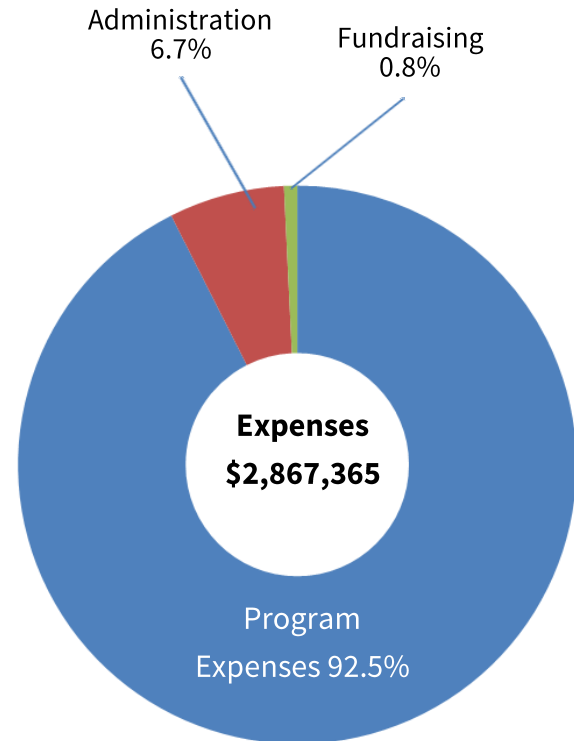
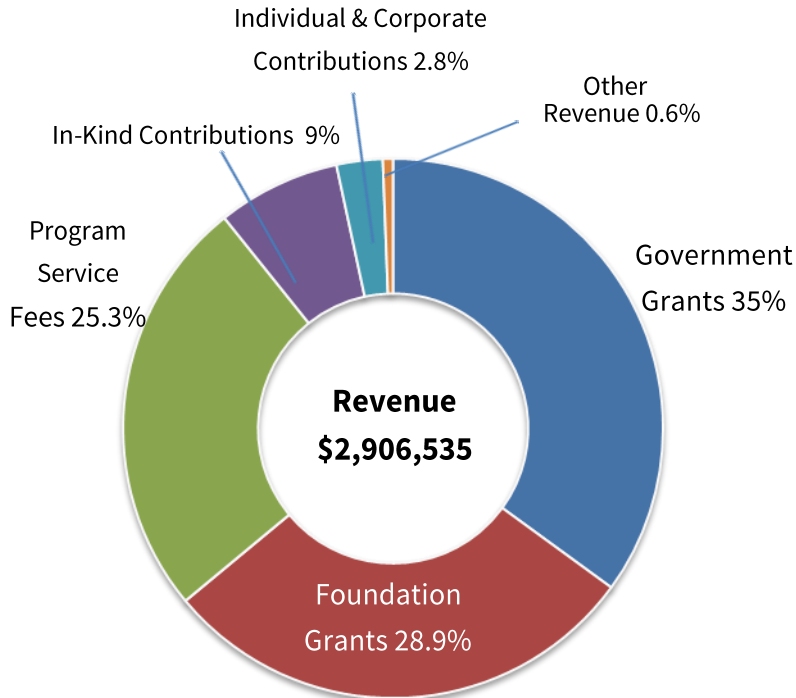
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2015 – 2016 Fiscal Year





<b>Revenue</b>	<b>2015 – 2016</b>
Government Grants	\$1,018,351
Foundation Grants	\$840,802
Program Service Fees	\$734,919
In-Kind Contributions	\$214,368
Individual & Corporate Contributions	\$80,479
Other Revenue	\$17,616

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<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,906,535</b>
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### **Expenses**

Program Expenses	\$2,653,542
Administration	\$191,994
Fundraising	\$21,829

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<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,867,365</b>
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**Increase in Net Assets    \$39,170**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2015 – 2016</b>
Investments	\$1,159,034
Cash and Equivalents	\$495,138
Accounts Receivable, Net	\$363,051
Prepaid Expenses	\$40,096
Deposits	\$23,521

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<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$2,080,840</b>
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### **Liabilities**

Accrued Vacation	\$86,809
Deferred Revenue	\$81,434
Fiscal Sponsorship	\$22,736
Accounts Payable	\$4,949
Accrued Payroll	\$37,846
Other Current Liabilities	\$104,307

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<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$338,081</b>
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