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Annual Report 2009-2010

Letter from the Executive Director & Board Chair

Dear Friends,

In so many ways, we could have done without this year. Ballooning deficits at the city, state, and federal levels; political gridlock in DC; disarray in Albany; Arizona; an increasingly angry public discourse that has our heads spinning; and the continued devastation wrought by our dysfunctional immigration system that is, simply, heartbreaking.

It's not the kind of year where victories are come by easily.

We could have crawled under a rock; instead, we became a force ready to move mountains.

We continued our work to improve the educational outcomes of immigrant students, to enhance access to health care, and to build the leadership and foster the civic engagement of immigrant communities across the state. We went to Albany and City Hall and saved critical immigrant services from the cutting block—finding resonance in the argument that immigrants are vital players in the state's economic recovery. We are fortunate that here in New York State, much of the political leadership recognizes that fact. Not everyone, but we're working on that.

And when every last pundit declared that immigration was dead, we, with a growing universe of allies across the state and nation, forced the issue. We may not have crossed the finish line, but we made it impossible for the White House and Capitol Hill to put blinders on and pretend we weren't there—it's hard to ignore 200,000 people gathered in your front yard, as happened on March 21st. And so we got renewed commitments to immigration reform from the President and our leaders in Congress, and earned the distinction of being the largest mobilization yet during the Obama administration—until Jon Stewart and Stephen Colbert assumed that mantle.

We know we have a long road ahead of us to hold these elected officials to their promises, especially in the wake of the midterm elections, continued economic uncertainty, and the disquieting political discourse. But we're game, we're in it for the long haul, and we are enormously grateful, gratified, and uplifted to know you're with us on that journey.

Onward!

Chung-Wha Hong

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FISCAL YEAR AUGUST 1, 2009 TO JULY 31, 2010, pending final audit
(In Whole Numbers)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
REVENUE			
PUBLIC SUPPORT			
Contributions foundations	347,209	1,332,619	1,679,828
Contributions other	37,106		37,106
Membership Dues	30,960		30,960
Government Grants	262,714		262,714
Special events, net	196,073		196,073
Total Public support	874,062	1,332,619	2,206,681
OTHER INCOME			
Training fees	21,023		21,023
Investment income	3,940		3,940
Rental income	16,981		16,981
Fee for service	31,539		31,539
Other income	4,429		4,429
Total Other Income	77,913	-	77,913
Total Revenue	951,975	1,332,619	2,284,594
Net assets released from restriction	1,491,906	(1,491,906)	-
TOTAL REVENUE AND NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTION	2,443,881	(159,287)	2,284,594

EXPENSES

PROGRAM			
Communications	87,550		87,550
Training and Legal Services	323,035		323,035
Health Care Access	282,732		282,732
Education Reform	339,003		339,003
Civic & Electoral Part	92,738		92,738
Immigration & Other Policy	367,169		367,169
Employment Workforce	65,375		65,375
Housing	57,455		57,455
Parks	103,343		103,343
Special Projects	203,918		203,918
Total Program	1,922,318	-	1,922,318
SUPPORTING SERVICES			
Management and General	185,147		185,147
Fund Development	115,799		115,799
Total Supporting Services	300,946	-	300,946
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,223,264	-	2,223,264
Increase (decrease) in net assets	220,617	(159,287)	61,330

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NOTABLE NUMBERS

WHAT WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED THIS YEAR

- 280,000+** Number of new citizens registered to vote (since 1998)
- 177** Trainings and community education events
- 5,503** Individuals reached through trainings and community education events
- 401,282** Dollars raised and distributed in re-grants to member groups
- 72** Press releases issued
- 400+** Media hits (conservatively)
- 235** Number of buses mobilized from New York State for the March for America to demand immigration reform
- 12,000** Number of New Yorkers on those buses

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

- 22:** Percentage of state population that is foreign-born
- 22.4:** Percent of the total New York State economic output that immigrants are responsible for, a share slightly larger than their share of the population.
- 13:** Percentage of NYC school population that is still learning English.
- 1/3:** The portion of students still learning English who graduate from high school.
- 3:** The number of times more likely non-citizens are than citizens to lack health insurance.
- 12 million:** Number of undocumented immigrants in the United States.
- 400,000:** Number of immigrants deported each year.
- 30:** How many years it would take to deport all undocumented immigrants at the current rate of 1,100 deportations a day.
- \$18,302:** The current estimated cost of deportation per person deported.
- \$2.6 trillion:** Amount in gross domestic product projected lost over ten years as a result of a deportation-only policy.
- \$1.5 trillion:** Amount in additional GDP projected over 10 years as a result of comprehensive immigration reform.

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2009-2010 HIGHLIGHTS

MY VOTE Our Future

Standing Up for the American Dream

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▼ **DECEMBER 2009 – JANUARY 2010: WYCLEF AND THE HAITIAN EARTHQUAKE** The NYIC receives a special visitor, our 2008 Builders of the New New York honoree Wyclef Jean, who strategizes with us about mobilizing the grassroots and the push for immigration reform. One month later, Haiti is devastated by an earthquake, Wyclef shifts into action to help his homeland, and the NYIC coordinates advocacy, outreach, and services to help Haitian New Yorkers, training hundreds of volunteers to process applications for temporary protected status.



▲ **MARCH 2010: IMMIGRANTS DAY IN ALBANY** Fifty member organizations statewide gather in Albany, ultimately safeguarding critical citizenship services and advancing language access and workforce development proposals at the state level.

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Immigrants: We are the 'backbone of the economy'
 March 8, 2010 Hundreds of immigrants rallied outside the Capitol last week protesting budget cuts to integration programs and demanding more transparency in the distribution of federal stimulus funds for immigrant programs.



▲ **MARCH-JULY 2010: MARCH FOR AMERICA!** What do you get when the NYIC leads the statewide campaign that mobilizes 235 buses, or 12,000 New Yorkers from every region of the state, to descend on Washington, joining with a crowd of 200,000-strong to demand immigration reform? You get the largest mobilization to date of the Obama administration; an invitation for NYIC executive director Chung-Wah Hong and other immigrant leaders from across the country to meet with the President at the White House; a major address by the President to the nation reaffirming his commitment to immigration reform; an agreement by Sen. Schumer to meet with more than 80 NYIC member groups for a frank strategy discussion; and the release by Sen. Schumer, with Sen. Graham, of their bipartisan blueprint for immigration reform legislation. The campaign continues, with the NYIC working closely with leaders to keep the issue alive, including Rep. Nydia Velázquez, chair of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and 2009 recipient of the NYIC's Builders of the New New York award.



The Washington Times
 MARCH 12, 2010
Immigrant rights advocates, poised to rally, pressure Obama

EL DIARIO LA PRENSA

Arrestan a 37 pro-reforma migratoria
 25 de mayo de 2010

Entre los arrestados estaban el asambleista Adriano Espallat; la concejal Melissa Mark-Viverito; el obispo Orlando Findlay, director de Churches United to Save and Heal, que organizó la protesta junto con New York Immigration Coalition; el Reverendo Orlando Crespo, de Latin Leadership Circle; la Reverenda Claudia De La Cruz, de la Iglesia San Romero de Las Américas; y decenas de líderes y miembros de sindicatos laborales.

The New York Times

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Arizona Law and Its Discontents

April 30, 2010
 "It's a shame that Gov. Jan Brewer didn't consider the downside to S.B. 1070. It does nothing to fix our immigration system, but will cause hardship, compromise public safety and hurt the economy."
 — Chung-Wah Hong, Executive Director, NYIC



2010 BUILDERS OF THE NEW NEW YORK AWARDS



▲ **JUNE 2010: BUILDERS OF THE NEW NEW YORK GALA** 350 of our friends gather to honor our 2010 Builders of the New New York: Kathy Wylde of the Partnership for New York City; Hector Figueroa of SEIU-32BJ; and Jay Hershenson of the City University of New York. Mayor Bloomberg, NYC Comptroller Liu, Congresswoman Velázquez, Public Advocate de Blasio, and many members of the City Council join the celebration, chaired by Meryl Tisch, Chancellor of the NYS Board of Regents; Matthew Goldstein, CUNY Chancellor; and Eliseo Medina, international executive vice president of SEIU. It was a night of great food, great music by Arturo O'Farrill of the Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra, and great spirit!



▲ **SEPTEMBER 2010: RISING ISLAMOPHOBIA** In response to the attacks on the proposed Muslim community center in lower Manhattan, the NYIC teams with Common Cause New York and 150 other groups to form New York Neighbors for American Values, holding a candlelight vigil that draws more than 2,000 people in defense of religious freedom and against the politics of division and distraction.

THE HUFFINGTON POST

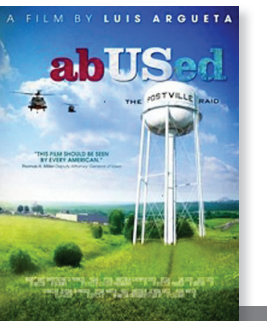
THE INTERNET NEWSPAPER: NEWS BLOGS VIDEO COMMUNITY



Renee Feltz
 Multimedia producer and investigative reporter based in New York City

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New Film Tries to Inject Compassion Into Immigration Debate



▼ **OCTOBER 2010: NYIC PRESENTS LUIS ARGUETA'S "abUsed: THE POSTVILLE RAID"** The NYIC partners with Symphony Space's Latino Arts Festival to present this documentary about an immigration raid in Iowa. With Julia Preston of the *New York Times* moderating the discussion and 450 audience members, this event continues the NYIC's efforts to forge innovative collaborations that reach new audiences—building on previous collaborations with Culture Project; rising fashion-world star Siki Im; the Queens Museum of Art; Liberty the Musical; and the WNBA's Liberty women's basketball team—realizing the possibilities that come from linking art to activism!

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▲ **OCTOBER 2009** The NYIC, as part of the New York State Stimulus Alliance, works to ensure that stimulus funds and economic recovery efforts target immigrant communities. Tying advocacy on stimulus funding to advocacy on immigrant worker issues, the NYIC gets the city to allocate \$1.5 million to start a new low-wage immigrant worker initiative, providing job training, ESL, and workplace rights and safety education in immigrant neighborhoods.

▼ **NOVEMBER 2009-MARCH 2010: HEALTH REFORM** With immigration used as a wedge issue to block health reform, the NYIC mobilizes its member groups to fight for provisions that include immigrants. While the resulting legislation expands coverage overall, it nevertheless has some immigration restrictions that undermine the goals of health reform. In extensive community and media outreach, the NYIC helps frame the argument that including immigrants in health reform expands coverage, improves health outcomes, and contains costs. Appointed to the Governor's Health Reform Advisory Committee, the NYIC will focus on how health reform is implemented at the state level.

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New Yorkers launch trip for immigration reform
 FEBRUARY 15, 2010 "During the five-trip, ...about 5,000 people will be deported and 5,000 detained nationwide," said Chung-Wah Hong, executive director of the New York Immigration Coalition, which is spearheading the trip.



▼ **FEBRUARY 2010: UPSTATE ROAD TRIP FOR OUR FUTURE** Two vans, twelve travelers, ten towns: from Carmel to Saratoga Springs, from Sodus to Batavia, and many stops in between, the NYIC hits the road, coordinating events with local groups that bring out hundreds of upstate residents, engaging with upstate legislators, and expanding upstate representation in the NYS campaign for immigration reform.

► **MARCH 2010: COUNTING IMMIGRANT NEW YORKERS IN THE 2010 CENSUS** The NYIC joins forces with the New York Community Media Alliance to launch an outreach campaign to boost immigrant participation in the census. Public service announcements in 24 languages and 69 papers and two press briefings with elected officials, including Mayor Bloomberg, Public Advocate de Blasio, and Comptroller Liu, help bring about a 3% increase in the city's mail-in census participation rate.



You Count!
CENSUS 2010
 It's Safe No questions about immigration status
 It's Fast 10 simple questions
 It's Important More money for your community
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To find help in your community visit www.2010.census.gov



▼ **APRIL 2010: LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST AND RALLY WITH CITY LEGISLATORS** Our 10th annual City Advocacy Day brings more than a dozen City Council members to a legislative breakfast with leaders from our membership, and a rally on the steps of City Hall that draws hundreds of immigrant community representatives. The intense and protracted advocacy campaign we wage throughout the spring saves the Immigrant Opportunities Initiative, the major source of city funding for immigrant services, from the cutting block in an eleventh-hour rescue.



▼ **MAY 2010: NEW YORK IS NOT ARIZONA** With Washington stalling on immigration reform, and Arizona declaring open season on anyone who is, looks, or sounds like an immigrant, the NYIC and its member groups coordinate eight May Day actions across the state, drawing 20,000 participants; team with faith and community leaders and elected officials in peaceful acts of civil disobedience, resulting in the arrest of 109 participants, including seven elected officials; and stage a rally outside the headquarters of Major League Baseball with demands to move the 2011 all-star game out of Arizona.



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Groups protest '11 All-Star Game

JULY 8, 2010 Pro-immigration groups gathered outside Major League Baseball headquarters in Manhattan on Thursday to protest keeping the 2011 All-Star Game in Phoenix.

▼ **SEPTEMBER 2010: PROMOTING CULTURAL MARKETPLACES** The NYIC teams with the Queens Museum of Art, the Food Vendors Committee of Red Hook, Architects for Humanity New York, and the Immigrants and Parks Collaborative to present "A Marketplace for Red Hook Park," as part of a broader effort to promote models for cultural marketplaces in the city's parks.

DAILY NEWS

For some students, DREAM is still alive even after politicians fail to vote on act
 September 23, 2010

"Our dreams don't die." That was the message echoed during a candlelight vigil attended by hundreds of New Yorkers last night at Union Square Park.

▼ **SEPTEMBER 2010: MOMENT OF TRUTH FOR THE DREAM ACT** It comes close to passing—330,000 calls to Congress show the level of support for this bill—but just misses, leaving hundreds of thousands of young people who'd come here as children without the opportunity to earn a path to citizenship. At a candlelight vigil organized by the NYIC, participants rededicate themselves to the cause.

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BIG IDEAS

EXPAND RED HOOK'S FAMED FOOD STANDS TO OTHER CITY PARKS
 "Let's open up the permit process and give ... all New Yorkers an opportunity to eat well." —Chung-Wah Hong, executive director, New York Immigration Coalition



▲ **SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2010: IMMIGRANTS VOTE! 2010** The NYIC and a dozen member groups contact 20,000 new citizen voters across the city and on Long Island; get gubernatorial candidates to respond to questions about their stand on issues; surpass the 280,000 mark for number of new citizens registered to vote; and set up a website—immigrantsvote.com—that provides information and tools for voter work for groups across the state.

NY 1 Advocates Push to Register Immigrant Voters

October 18, 2010
 A coalition of immigrant advocacy groups gathered in Chelsea Monday as part of a final push to get immigrant New Yorkers to head to the polls on November 2.

2010: EDUCATION REFORMS
 In partnership with the International Network for Public Schools, our member groups, and with the Dept. of Education's Accelerating Achievement for ELLs initiative, the NYIC brings together hundreds of practitioners, school administrators, and immigrant parents to call jointly for policies to increase parent engagement and address the drop-out crisis facing immigrant students.