



STARS AUSTIN

The U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants' Surviving Trauma and Reaching Success (STARS) Program provides **free** services to immigrants in Central Texas. We are a team of attorneys and social service workers trained to support people of all ages.

Have you experienced human trafficking?

Human trafficking is a serious crime and those who experience it are eligible for certain rights and protections. Many different situations are considered trafficking under federal law. You may have experienced trafficking if any of the following apply:

- ✓ You felt like you couldn't stop working because someone threatened to harm you or someone you care about;
- ✓ Your employer threatened to call the police on you or get you deported;
- ✓ You were forced to give someone else the money you earned at work;
- ✓ You were forced to work to repay a debt someone claims that you owe them;
- ✓ You were lied to about the type of work, your pay, or the number of hours you were expected to work;
- ✓ You were forced to have sex for money, food, shelter, or other needs;
- ✓ You are under 18 and had sex for money, food, shelter, or anything else.

If you have experienced any of these things, you may qualify for legal and social services. Our services are free and private, and we do not require you to make a police report. Contact our office to learn more about your options.



How to get Assistance:

Please contact the STARS Program for more information about the program and whether you might be eligible for relief.

We are available at:

STARS-Austin@refugees.org

or

1-561-494-6503

You may also get 24/7 help or report suspected trafficking to the National Human Trafficking Hotline by calling:

1-888-373-7888

If you think you are in danger or have an emergency, call 911 immediately.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS



You May Be Eligible for the STARS Program If You:

- ✓ Are an immigrant who has experienced trafficking as an adult or child.

Please note: If you are a U.S. Citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident, you will be referred to a partner agency for services.

LEGAL SERVICES



Our Legal Team Can Help You:

- ✓ Determine eligibility and apply for immigration relief;
- ✓ Safely report crimes committed against you to law enforcement; and
- ✓ Connect you and eligible family members with other free or low cost legal services.

CASE MANAGEMENT



The STARS Program Can Assist You In:

- ✓ Making a plan to keep you safe;
- ✓ Getting food, clothing, a cell phone, and emergency shelter;
- ✓ Obtaining medical and mental health care service;
- ✓ Accessing other services available to you, such as education or employment assistance.

We work alongside a wide range of trusted partner organizations throughout Central Texas.