



Resource Guide for Immigrant Stocktonians

San Joaquin Immigrant Integration Collaborative

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Section 1. Welcome

Welcome to the City of Stockton,

The San Joaquin Immigrant Integration Collaborative is pleased to welcome all persons to the City of Stockton – a proud city of immigrants where over twenty-six percent of the population is foreign born. We understand and deeply appreciate the value of diversity and contributions of immigrants.

In 2017, the Stockton City Council affirmed this value with a resolution recognizing human rights, regardless of immigration status. We are also proud to share that, per General Order P-14, **the Stockton Police Department shall not stop, question, detain, arrest or place “an immigration hold” on any person solely on the ground that he or she may be a deportable alien.**

In keeping with these principles, the San Joaquin Immigrant Integration Collaborative offers this resource guide as support and an expression of our gratitude. In the following pages you’ll find important information that we hope will support your full participation in our community.

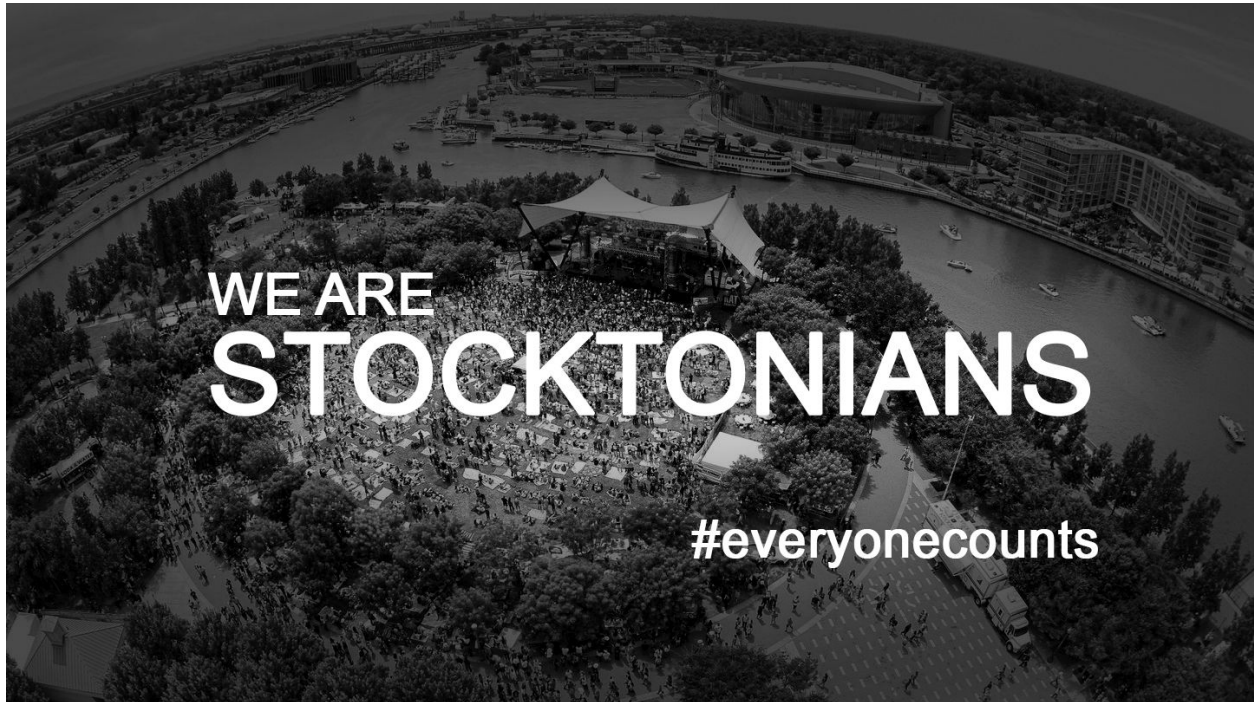
Sincerely,



Michael Tubbs
Mayor, City of Stockton
Collaborative



Elvira Ramirez
Chair, San Joaquin Immigrant Integration



Section 2. Know Your Rights

In the United States, everyone including undocumented immigrants have guaranteed rights in the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights. If U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents are asking to enter your home or performing a raid at your workplace, remain calm and remember your rights.

You have a right to remain silent

You can refuse to speak to an ICE agent. Because anything you say to immigration officials can be used against you, do not answer any questions. Inform the immigration officials that you plan to remain silent until you speak with a lawyer.

You have a right to refuse to provide or sign any document before speaking with a lawyer

Do not sign anything. These important legal documents may affect your ability to speak to an attorney or have an immigration hearing. Ask to speak to your lawyer to better understand the documents.

You have a right to request a warrant

Do not open your door to immigrant officials unless the officials present a warrant with your name on it. They are not allowed to enter your home unless you invite them inside or they have a warrant signed by a judge. If they say they have one, do not open the door. Ask them to slip it under the door or through a window. Verify that warrant includes your correct name and address.

You have a right to speak to a lawyer and make a phone call

Present the Immigrant Legal Resource Center's *Red Card* which may be found below to assert your rights:

Usted tiene derechos constitucionales.

- **NO ABRA LA PUERTA SI UN AGENTE DEL SERVICIO DE INMIGRACION ESTA TOCANDO A LA PUERTA.**
- **NO CONTESTE NINGUNA PREGUNTA DEL AGENTE DEL SERVICIO DE INMIGRACION SI EL TRATA DE HABLAR CON USTED.** Usted tiene derecho a mantenerse callado. No tiene que dar su nombre al agente. Si está en el trabajo, pregunte al agente si está libre para salir y si el agente dice que sí, váyase. Usted tiene derecho de hablar con un abogado.
- **ENTREGUE ESTA TARJETA AL AGENTE. NO ABRA LA PUERTA**

I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name on it that you slide under the door. I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights.



I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.

These cards are available to citizens and noncitizens alike.

Section 3. Preparing Your Family

Create a Child Care Plan

Step 1. Decide Who Can Care for Your Child if You Are Unable

Identify a responsible adult that you trust that your child knows and is comfortable around. Make sure the person knows they will be listed as an emergency contact and knows how to access all of your important documents and information. Memorize this person's phone number and have your child memorize it too.

Step 2. Put a Child Care Plan in Place

Once you have identified and come to an agreement with the person who will care for your child if you are unable to, you can begin to put a plan in place.

The CAA: The Caregiver's Authorization Affidavit ("CAA") is a very important document in California that will allow another person to care for and make basic school and medical decisions about your child in your absence without impacting your rights as a parent. The CAA can be given to your child's school or health care provider without affecting your custody and control of your child.

If your situation is more complicated, you should speak with an attorney, and may wish to consider nominating a guardian for your child.

Guardianship: Guardianship is a formal legal arrangement that can only be put in place by a court. If a court appoints a guardian for your child, the guardian has full legal and physical custody of the child. A guardianship does not terminate parental rights, but it does suspend them while the guardianship is in place and only a court can decide whether or not to terminate the guardianship in order to return parental rights.

Nominating someone else to be a guardian and have legal custody of your child is a serious decision; you should talk to an attorney before taking this step.

Step 3. Create a File of Important Documents

Include information about your child's school, medical history, and contact information. Be sure your designated caregiver knows where this file is in case they need access to it.

Step 4. Talk to Your Child About Your Plan

Without worrying them, let your child know who will pick them up and care for them if you are unable to for some reason. Assure your child that they will be taken care of, even for a short period of time, until you are able to do so again.

Step 5. Update Emergency Contact Information at Your Child's School

Once you have made a plan for your child's care, be sure to provide your designated caregiver's contact information at your child's school or daycare provider. This will ensure that if the school is ever unable to reach you, they will call this person.

Section 4. Common Immigration Relief Options

The following section intends to serve as a brief guide to common immigration relief options. The information is not comprehensive and does not indicate requirements for each immigration relief option. For additional information or assistance, please contact a legal service provider. In Section 5 of the resource guide, you will find a list of trusted legal service providers.

Asylum

Asylum is for noncitizens who fear persecution in their home country because of their race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group.

- Allows the noncitizen to remain in the United States and eventually obtain lawful permanent residency (a “green card”).
- A person granted asylum can petition for spouse and children to enter as asylees.
- Allows the person to obtain an employment authorization document that allows the noncitizen to work and serves as a government-issued identification card.
- Allows the noncitizen to receive some public benefits (in California this includes Medi-Cal, food stamps, CalWorks, etc.)
- Allows the noncitizen to travel outside the United States with a refugee travel document, but generally one cannot return to their home country.

Conditional Permanent Residence

Conditional permanent residence is for noncitizens who have immigrated through a spouse within the first two years of the marriage. Because of immigration processing times, this is effectively only available to the spouses of U.S. citizens.

- Provides two years of resident status in the United States that may be extended to lawful permanent residence.
- Provides work authorization.

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)

Deferred Action is a form of prosecutorial discretion that provides a work permit and relief from removal for two years to certain eligible undocumented youth.

- Protects the youth from being placed into removal proceedings and from being removed.
- Provides an employment authorization document that allows the youth to work.
- Can obtain a Social Security Number. DACA can be renewed after two years.
- In certain states, a DACA-recipient can apply for a state identification card and a driver’s license.

Note: Recent federal changes have been made to the DACA program. Only people who have had DACA in the past may apply to renew their status. Please contact a legal service provider for the most current program information.

Family-Based Visa and Lawful Permanent Residency

A family visa permits a noncitizen to work and live permanently in the United States through a family member. To immigrate means to become a lawful permanent resident (“green card” holder). Some noncitizens may be able to immigrate legally through a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident family member.

Note: There are many requirements to receive a family-based visa or green card. Please contact a trusted legal service provider for a complete analysis of your eligibility.

Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS)

Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) provides lawful permanent residency to children under 21 years old who are under the jurisdiction of a juvenile court and cannot be reunified with one or both parents due to abuse, neglect, abandonment or a similar basis in state law.

- Allows the child to remain in the United States with lawful permanent residency (a “green card”).

Temporary Protected Status

Noncitizens from certain countries that have experienced devastating natural disaster, civil war or other unstable circumstances may be able to obtain Temporary Protected Status (TPS).

- Provides temporary permission to stay in the United States.
- Provides temporary work authorization.
Note: Recent federal changes may have affected the availability of TPS, please contact a legal service provider for the most current program information.

Trafficking Visa

T nonimmigrant status (the “T Visa”) is for noncitizens who have been the victims of severe forms of human trafficking.

- The T visa is a temporary visa that allows the noncitizen to remain legally in the United States for four years.
- Provides employment authorization to allow the noncitizen to work.
- After three years in this status, the T visa-holder can apply to obtain lawful permanent residency (a “green card”).
- Certain family members of a T-visa applicant may also apply for a T visa.

U Nonimmigrant Status

U nonimmigrant status (the “U Visa”) is for noncitizens who are victims of serious crimes and can be helpful in the investigation or prosecution of those crimes.

- The U visa is a temporary visa that allows the noncitizen to remain legally in the United States for four years. After three years in this status, the U visa-holder can apply to obtain lawful permanent residency (a “green card”).
- Provides employment authorization to allow the noncitizen to work.
- Certain family members of the crime victim may also apply for a U visa.
- In some states, allows the noncitizen to receive some public benefits (in California this includes Medi-Cal, food stamps, CalWorks, etc.)

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

The Violence Against Women Act permits certain abused family members of U.S. citizens or permanent residents to self-petition for a green card without the cooperation of the abuser.

- Allows the abused family member to remain in the United States and eventually obtain lawful permanent residency (a “green card”).
- Provides an employment authorization document that allows the abused family member to work and serves as a government-issued identification card.
- Allows the abused family member to receive some public benefits (in California this includes Medi-Cal, food stamps, CalWorks, etc.)

Section 5. Legal Service Providers

Beware of Notario Fraud

Notario fraud refers to the victimization of members in the immigrant community by individuals who falsely claim that they are qualified immigration attorneys, legal assistants, or lawyers.

Individuals who commit notario fraud often do not know the procedures required for certain immigration applications and may jeopardize the immigration status of an individual. Some of the consequences may include deportation and criminal liability.

Seek trusted attorneys accredited and authorized by the Board of Immigrations Appeal

Only licensed lawyers and BIA accredited individuals are legally able to assist you with an immigration application or case. You may see if the representative is accredited by visiting your state bar or the DOJ website, which has a list of accredited organizations. You should also check to see if an immigration attorney has previously been suspended or expelled from practicing law.

If you feel you have been harmed or a victim of notario fraud

Contact the California State Bar, the California Attorney General's Office, or the California Department of Consumer Affairs to make sure these attorneys or organizations are held responsible for their actions. Reporting these cases of fraud will ensure other individuals seeking assistance will avoid receiving false information and misrepresentation.

Always receive copies of signed documents and written confirmation

Be sure to request copies of documents. Written confirmation of services requested and copies of signed documents serve as supporting evidence if your lawyer fails to represent you.

Legal Service Providers

ACLU of Northern California

The ACLU of Northern California is one of the largest ACLU affiliates in the nation. ACLU of Northern California works to ensure Constitutional rights, such as freedom of speech, to privacy, and to due process, are upheld for all Californians.

39 Drumm Street
San Francisco, CA 94111
(415) 621-2488

Languages Spoken: Spanish, English

California Legal Rural Assistance Foundation (CLRAF)

CRLA Foundation is a statewide, non-profit civil legal aid organization providing free legal services and policy advocacy for California's rural poor. CRLAF works to bring about social justice to rural poor communities by working to address the most pressing needs of our community: labor, housing, education equity, health care access, worker safety, citizenship, immigration, and environmental justice.

Services: Citizenship, Violence Against Women Act, T-Visas, DACA, and Family Petitions

2210 K Street, Suite 201
Sacramento, CA 95816
916-446-7901

Languages Spoken: Spanish, Cantonese, and
Mixteco, English

California Rural Legal Assistance (CRLA) Inc.

CRLA is nationally recognized as a leader in farmworker and migrant service provision through community outreach, educational training and direct legal service. CRLA's staff conducts litigation, outreach and legal education on the most pressing issues facing low-income communities: housing; employment; education; workplace safety; discrimination; income maintenance and healthcare access.

Services: Education Right Protections, Employment and Labor Protections, Housing, Leadership Training, and Rural Health Services

145 E. Weber Avenue
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 946-0605

Languages Spoken: Spanish, translation
services may be available for others

Catholic Charities, Immigrant Legal Services (CCILS)

Recognized by the Office of Legal Access Programs (O-LAP), Catholic Charities has Department of Justice (DOJ) accredited representatives on staff that offers professional legal immigration consults to immigrants throughout the Diocese. CCILS offers classes focused on teaching; ESL, American Government / Civics and educating the students on the process of applying for US Citizenship which helps them feel integrated in the community. Participants in the CCILS program are able to secure documents that allow them to seek employment, health benefits and education which contribute to stability and quality of life.

Services: Citizenship, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), Family Reunification, Legal Permanent Residence, Family Based Immigration, Hardship Waivers of Inadmissibility, Consular Processing, Fiancé Visas, Removal of Conditions, and Affidavits of Support

Alexandra Gonzalez
Immigration Program Manager

1106 N El Dorado
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 444-5910

Languages Spoken: Spanish, English

El Concilio

El Concilio is distinguished for its history of helping undocumented working immigrants in the San Joaquin Central Valley attain legal status, and then, bringing them out of the shadows to empower them and their families. Since its founding, El Concilio is known for its social and educational accomplishments aimed at creating stronger, healthier and more productive communities. El Concilio receives grant funding and is able to provide resources at no charge or on a reduced fee basis.

Services: Citizenship, Permanent Residency, DACA, Family Petitions, Adjustment of Status and Consular Processing

445 N. San Joaquin Street
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 337-7505

Languages Spoken: Spanish, English

Private Attorneys

Fernanda Pereira
Immigration Specialist

20 N. Sutter St. Suite 200
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 942-3300

Languages Spoken: Spanish, English

Section 6. Health and Wellness

Asian Pacific Self Development and Residential Association (APSARA)

APSARA, a membership organization of resident households at Park Village apartment complex, provides a safe, positive environment for residents and community members. By offering affordable housing, social support services, connection to resources, APSARA builds community power for Southeast Asian community members and provides a pathway to economic independence and empowerment.

Services include: Housing and Family Support Services; Tutoring Program (After School Program); Mental Health (Outreach and Treatment); Nutrition Education Workshops; Diabetes and Pre-diabetes Prevention Program; Medi-Cal Expansion Programs (Medi-Cal Enrollment); Covered CA Certified Enrollment Counselor; Immigration Counseling and Documentation; Cultural and Recreational Activities, Civic Engagement and Advocacy.

3830 Alvarado Ave., Suite C
Stockton, CA 95204
(209) 944-1701

Languages Spoken: Cambodian, Japanese, Spanish, English and French (Chinese and Vietnamese with appointment only)

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Stockton

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Stockton has served as a sign of hope for people of all ages, religions, and races. By partnering with others, the agency advocates for justice and assists those who are in need by providing a variety of social services.

Services: Family Reunification, Citizenship Education Program, DACA, Senior Programs, and Health Care Access services, parenting support, long-term care Ombudsman, advance care directive, Environmental Justice, Food Bank, Nutrition Assistance, SNAP education, multipurpose seniors service, representative payee, elder abuse prevention and veterans program, Cal-Fresh Services, Denti-Cal for Children (Healthy Smiles), and counseling services.

1106 N El Dorado
Stockton CA 95202
(209) 444-5900

Languages Spoken: Spanish, English

Emergency Food Bank, Stockton/San Joaquin County

The Emergency Food Bank, Stockton/San Joaquin is the largest direct provider of packaged emergency food in San Joaquin County. The food bank also provides classes in general nutrition education, healthy meal planning and food preparation.

7 W. Scotts Avenue
Stockton, CA 95203
(209) 464-7369

Family Resource and Referral Center

The Family Resource & Referral Center is founded on the belief that children and families are vital to the richness and quality of life within San Joaquin County. The Family Resource & Referral Center provides advocacy, information, training, and direct services to enhance child care and child development, and family well being in San Joaquin County.

Services include: Increasing Quality of Care, Health and Safety Training, Education and Training for Child Care Providers and Parents, and Education, Training, and Intervention Services for Providers of Children with Special Needs

509 W Weber Ave, Suite 104
Stockton, CA 95203
(209) 948-1553

Languages Spoken: Cambodian, Spanish,
Vietnamese, Punjabi, Hmong, Tagalog, Lao

Human Services Agency of San Joaquin County

The Human Services Agency provides public assistance and a variety of social service programs for the residents of San Joaquin County.

Programs include: California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs), CalFresh and Food Assistance Programs, Medi-Cal, General Assistance, and In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS).

333 E. Washington Street
Stockton, California 95202
(209) 468-1000

Lao Family Community Empowerment, Inc.

Lao Family Community Empowerment was founded in 1984 as Lao Family Community of Stockton to serve the thousands of Hmong refugees arriving in the area following the Vietnam War. Lao Family's programs and service area aim to meet the changing needs of Southeast Asian families and refugees in Northern California.

Services Include: Early Childhood Education Programs, Parent Engagement Programs, Mental Health, Citizenship, and Housing Programs

6135 Tam O'Shanter Drive Suite 1
Stockton, CA 95210
(209) 466-0721

Little Manila Foundation

The Little Manila Foundation advocates for the historic preservation of the Little Manila Historic Site in Stockton, California and provides education and leadership to revitalize our Filipina/o American community.

Programs Include: Educational and Cultural Arts, and Ethnic Studies After School Program

Stockton Shelter for the Homeless

Stockton Shelter for the Homeless addresses the needs of homeless individuals and families by providing safe shelter, basic necessities, and a structured opportunity to regain self-sufficiency.

411 South Harrison Street
Stockton, CA 95203
(209) 465-3612

Women, Infants, and Children

Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program is a nutrition program for pregnant women, moms with new babies and children under five years old who live in California. Families with limited incomes, including working families, may qualify for WIC.

Stockton:
SJC PHS WIC Main Office
620 N. Aurora Street Suite 2
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 468-3280

Tracy:
SJC Public Health Services
205 West 9th Street
Tracy, CA 95376
(209) 831-5930

French Camp:
San Joaquin General Hospital
500 W. Hospital Rd. Room #1102
French Camp, CA 95231
(209) 468-5487

Valley Mountain Regional Center

Valley Mountain Regional Center serves children and adults with developmental disabilities in San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne counties. Free diagnosis and assessment services are available to any person suspected of having a developmental disability, such as intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, or autism.

702 North Aurora Street
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 473-0951

Women's Center, Youth and Family Services

Women's Center-Youth & Family Services is San Joaquin County's only provider of free, confidential services and shelters specifically designed to meet the needs of homeless and runaway youth and victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

620 North San Joaquin St.
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 941-2611

Fathers & Families of San Joaquin

Fathers & Families of San Joaquin offers services and programs including the Stockton Trauma Recovery Center, Youth's Racial Justice, Health Justice, Family Strengthening and Elder Program.

338 East Market Street
Stockton, CA 95202
(209) 941-0701

Languages Spoken: Cambodian, Spanish,
Vietnamese, Punjabi, Hmong, Tagalog, Laos

Section 7. Education

Stockton Unified School District

Stockton School of Adults
1525 Pacific Avenue
Stockton, CA 95204
(209)933-7455

Lincoln Unified School District

2010 West Swain Road
Stockton, CA 95207
(209) 953-8712

Manteca Unified School District

Manteca Adult School
2271 W. Louise Ave
Manteca, CA 95337
(209) 825-3200

Lodi Unified School District

Lodi Adult School
542 Pine Street
Lodi, CA 95240
(209) 331-7605

San Joaquin Delta College Dream Center

5151 Pacific Avenue
Stockton, CA 95207
(209) 954-5151

Tracy Unified School District

Tracy Adult School
1895 W. Lowell Avenue
Tracy, CA 95376
(209) 830-3384

Services: English as a Second Language (ESL), Citizenship Courses, Family Literacy Courses, High School Diploma & Equivalency, Career Training

Section 8. Important Phone Numbers & Hotlines

2-1-1 San Joaquin

2-1-1 San Joaquin is a collaborative effort of health and human service providers, state legislators, local government representatives and county residents. 2-1-1 San Joaquin's purpose is to make it easy for people to find the help they need, when they need it.

Phone Number: 2-1-1

Valley Watch Network

The Valley Watch Network is a communication network designed to notify and respond if massive roundups and deportations begin. Volunteers of the network manage distress calls, attend the location where ICE is conducting roundups, and help children who are left behind.

Regions covered: Fresno, Stanislaus, Madera, Tulare, Kings, San Joaquin, Merced, and Kern Counties
(559) 206-0151

Services: Document Preparer for Divorce, and Change of Name with Court

Ariana Martinez-Lott

Regional Valley Watch Coordinator, Fresno
(559) 288-4690
ariana@faithinthevalley.org

Section 9. Consulates

CANADA

Rana Sarkar, Consul General
580 California Street, 14th
Floor
San Francisco, CA 94104
(415) 834-3180

CAMBODIA

Hout Kimchha,
Honorary Consul
3448 E Anaheim St.
Long Beach, CA 90804
(562) 494-3000

CHINA

Wang Donghua, Consul
General
1450 Laguna Street
San Francisco, CA 94115
(415) 674-2905

COLOMBIA

Elias Ancizar Silva Robayo,
Consul General
595 Market Street #1190
San Francisco, CA 94105
(415) 495-7195
(415) 495-7196

COSTA RICA

Manuel Escoto, Honorary
Consul
35535 Collier Pl
Fremont, CA 94536
(510) 790-0785

INDIA

Ambassador Venkatesan
Ashok, Consul General
540 Arguello Blvd
San Francisco, CA 94118
(415) 668-0951

INDONESIA

Hanggiro Setiabudi, Acting
Consul General
1111 Columbus Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94133-1707
(415) 474-9571

JAPAN

Tomochika Uyama, Consul
General
275 Battery Street, Suite 2100
San Francisco, CA 94111
(415) 780-6000

KOREA

Joon-yong Park, Consul
General
3500 Clay Street
San Francisco, CA 94118-1839
(415) 921-2251

LAOS

Khamphan Anlavan,
Ambassador Extraordinary
2222 S Street, NW
Washington, D.C., 20008
(202) 328-9148
(202) 332-6416

MALAYSIA

YM Raja S. Ridzuwan Raja
Kamaruddin, Consul General
777 South Figueroa Street,
Suite 600
Los Angeles, CA 90017
(213) 892-1238

MEXICO

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2093 Arena Blvd
Sacramento, CA 95834-2310
(916) 441-3287
(916) 329-3500

PAKISTAN

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10700 Santa Monica Blvd,
Suite 211
Los Angeles, CA 90025
(310) 441-5114

PHILIPPINES

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447 Sutter Street, 6th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94108
(415) 433-6666

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306
Santa Clara, CA 95054-1140
(408) 988-5018 1

THAILAND

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Los Angeles, CA 90004-1328
(323) 962-9574

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530 Bush Street #402
San Francisco, CA 94108-3631
(415) 398-0240

VENEZUELA

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420
San Francisco, CA 94109
(415) 294-2252

VIETNAM

Ambassador Ho Xuan Son,
Consul General
1700 California Street #580
San Francisco, CA 94109-0429
(415) 922-1707