



# MIMA

## Monthly Update

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## Mayor Scott Signs Executive Order on Public Safety and Immigration

On March 4, 2026, Mayor Brandon M. Scott announced the signing of an executive order that reaffirms the City of Baltimore's commitment to protecting residents' constitutional rights and safety.

The executive order, titled "Protecting the Rights and Well-Being of Baltimore City Residents," emphasizes the City's commitment to its status as a welcoming city that upholds the dignity, safety, and rights of all its residents.

The executive order clarifies several relevant, existing policies, details proactive steps being taken by the City to uphold constitutional protections for residents, confirms that the Baltimore Police Department (BPD) remains under local authority, and outlines City policies toward any potential federal immigration enforcement efforts. [The full executive order can be viewed here.](#)



## UPDATES FROM OUR OFFICE

### Seeking Multilingual Immigration Attorneys to Facilitate Workshops

The Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs (MIMA) is seeking immigration attorneys who speak a language other than English to facilitate Immigration Emergency Planning Workshops for our Safe City Baltimore initiative.

Attorneys must complete a brief training on the curriculum, and they will receive stipends for every workshop they conduct. While Spanish-speaking attorneys are most needed to meet current requests, we welcome other languages skills as well. If you are interested, contact Katie Miller at [katie.miller@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:katie.miller@baltimorecity.gov).

### Immigration Summit Registration Opening Soon

Registration for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Baltimore Immigration Summit opens on **April 6!** This free event provides a full day of presentations from academics, activists, community leaders, policymakers, service providers, and others working with and for immigrants and refugees in our region.

This year's summit will take place at Morgan State University on **June 5**. Last year, we reached our registration capacity in less than twenty-four hours! Make sure you are [subscribed to our email updates](#) and following us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) to be first in line for the registration link.



### Internship Opportunities



Our office is now accepting applications for Summer 2026 internships. We offer valuable opportunities for hands-on experience in areas such as communications, community outreach, and other key roles supporting our mission. These internships are designed to offer academic credit for your work and contributions.

If you are passionate about making a positive impact in immigrant communities and eager to build your skills, we encourage you to apply!

[Apply to intern with MIMA by April 10](#)



## Baltimore New American Access Coalition (BNAAC) is Enrolling New Families

BNAAC is a three-month program that connects Baltimore City's immigrant and refugee families to public benefits and local resources throughout the city. **This program is free, and services are available in multiple languages.**

[Refer someone or yourself to BNAAC](#)

## Bi-Weekly Community Stakeholders Call

Our Community Stakeholders Calls take place every other Friday from 11:30 AM to 12:15 PM and are hosted virtually on Microsoft Teams. The call brings together a diverse group of partners and stakeholders, including non-profits, faith-based organizations, civic groups, educational institutions, and city agencies.

The call on **March 20** will feature United Way of Central Maryland and the U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants as presenters. The call on **April 3** will feature the Pride Center of Maryland, and the CASH Campaign of Maryland as presenters.

[Join MIMA's stakeholder calls](#)



## CITY SERVICES

### Recreation and Parks: Registration Open for Spring Break Camp

Spring Break Camps run **March 30** through **April 6** (except for the weekend) from 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM for children ages 5-13. Campers enjoy games, crafts, sports, and outdoor activities, with lunch and snacks included every day. The cost is \$125 per camper.



For the first time, you can save money with a package deal! Register for both Spring Break Camp and Summer Camp together for a lower cost. The Summer Fun Camp package is \$200, and the Camp Baltimore package is \$400. These packages have limited spots and are only available at select sites.

**Register your child for Spring Break Camp**



### Department of Public Works: Shred Day

Ready to clear your clutter? Bring paper documents that you no longer need but that may have sensitive information (up to two 32-gallon bags). A GROW Center Pop-Up will also be giving away free trees, mulch, and more. The next event is taking place **March 28** at the Middle Branch Fitness and Wellness Center from 8 AM to 12 PM. [Find more information on the event page.](#)

### Live Baltimore: Buy Back the Block Grants Available Again

The Buy Back the Block program provides grants to Baltimore City

residents who rent and purchase a home within the grant-eligible Baltimore City area. These grants do not require repayment. To find out if you are eligible, visit the [Buy Back the Block webpage.](#)



### B'More Fresh Provides Additional Food Assistance for SNAP Recipients

Baltimore City residents enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) can earn \$30 per month to purchase fruits and vegetables when they shop online with a participating grocery store. After spending \$5 on SNAP-eligible items, shoppers will receive a \$30 produce voucher in their online account. Visit the [B'More Fresh Voucher Program webpage](#) for more information.



## LOCAL EVENTS AND RESOURCES



### Lawyer in the Library: Immigration Information

Legal practitioners from Just Neighbors and World Relief will be available to speak with individuals seeking information on immigration-related matters. Practitioners can provide general information on basic immigration-related inquiries, distribute informational materials, provide referrals, and more. Services will be available in Spanish.

These sessions are hosted at the Southeast Anchor Library, 3601 Eastern Avenue, every other Wednesday from 11 AM to 2 PM, with upcoming dates on **March 18** and **April 1**.

## Maryland CASH Campaign: Free Tax Preparation Services

The [CASH Campaign of Maryland](#) and its partners are now providing free tax preparation services for taxpayers with incomes under \$69,000 per year. Trained and certified staff and volunteers prepare high quality returns, giving families access to refunds and credits such as the Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit. Holders of individual taxpayer identification numbers (ITINs) are eligible to receive help through this program.



To make an appointment by phone in the Baltimore area, call 410-234-8008 Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 2 PM, or [schedule an appointment online!](#)

## Next Generation Language Access: Bilingual Job Fair

Next Generation Language Access is a non-profit organization whose mission is to produce more professionally trained interpreters and bilingual professionals to reduce language barriers in the workplace, with a focus on high school students.

Organizations that are looking to hire bilingual professionals are invited to NGLA's bilingual job fair! Bilingual parents, community members, and graduates of Patterson High School will be in attendance to connect with potential employers. [Complete this form](#) if you are an employer interested in attending and tabling at this event.

Contact [nextgenerationlanguages.info@gmail.com](mailto:nextgenerationlanguages.info@gmail.com) with any questions.



## Cafecito y Conversacion: LGBTQ+ y Latine en Baltimore

Join the Pride Center of Maryland on **April 6** from 5:30 to 7:30 PM for a relaxed vibe and open conversation about the LGBTQ+ and Latine community in Baltimore. Come share stories and resources, make connections, and enjoy a cup of coffee in a friendly atmosphere. Register on [Eventbrite](#).

## Pride Center of Maryland: Gender Affirming Services in Spanish

Free, personalized resource navigation services for transgender and non-binary individuals are available in English and Spanish at the Pride Center of Maryland. Reach out by phone at 410-206-2932 or by email at [quinn@pridecentermd.org](mailto:quinn@pridecentermd.org).



## NATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

### Judicial Immigration Updates

Lawsuits have been filed against many of President Donald Trump's executive orders related to immigration. Follow the development of these and other lawsuits at the [Just Security Litigation Tracker](#).



### Executive Immigration Updates

**Department of Homeland Security memo regarding detention of refugees:** In a memorandum released in mid-February, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) memorandum claimed it had the authority to detain, for an unspecified amount of time, any refugee who has not applied for lawful permanent resident status and appeared for an interview within one year of entering the U.S. This memo also states that once detained, refugees will

be either admitted as lawful permanent residents or placed in removal proceedings.

A federal judge in Minnesota issued a preliminary injunction in late February against this DHS policy.

For impacted communities, consult [this resource on detention and re-vetting for refugees](#) (available in English, Amharic, Arabic, Dari, Farsi, French, Haitian Creole, Pashto, Portuguese, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Swahili, Tigrinya, and Ukrainian).

**Temporary Protected Status for Yemen:** DHS announced the termination of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Yemen in mid-February. TPS benefits for nationals of Yemen will end on **May 4, 2026**, unless there is litigation. If you are a national of Yemen and currently have TPS, consult an immigration attorney as soon as possible.



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- [Immigration Staff Attorney](#) | World Relief
- [Multilingual Family Engagement Specialist](#) | Baltimore City Public Schools



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