

**Statement from the San Francisco Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA) and Immigrant Rights Commission (IRC) on the 2024 Election**

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After Tuesday's election, we understand that many in our communities are feeling a profound sense of uncertainty.

The San Francisco Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA) and the Immigrant Rights Commission (IRC) reaffirm our unwavering support for our immigrant communities. We stand, alongside the Mayor's Office, Board of Supervisors and City departments, with you—not just in times of stability but in moments of change and uncertainty. Our commitment to serving and protecting the rights of all San Franciscans remains strong, and we will continue to work to ensure that San Francisco remains a safe, inclusive, and welcoming city for everyone.

Regardless of the changes at the federal level, San Francisco's sanctuary policies remain in place, and we will continue to support fair and compassionate treatment for all families in our city. Our commitment to providing accessible services, language support, legal resources, and community engagement will only strengthen as we move forward into the next administration. Community members can continue to access City services without fear.

It is important to know that the new federal administration does not take office until January 20, 2025. As we prepare as a City, we encourage our community members to stay informed. We will continue to update you with the latest information, and we encourage you to connect with trusted non-profit community organizations for any immigration legal questions: <https://immigrants.sfgov.org>.

OCEIA is here to support you and to stand with you. Together with City and community partners, we will face this transition with resilience and unity, and San Francisco will continue to be a city where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

