





## REFORMING ACCESS TO JUSTICE

By Jodi Goodwin

Board of Directors, Mobile Pathways

If we're going to make access to justice a reality for all immigrants, we need to turn law from an abstraction into something that every person can understand, use, and shape. Before the pandemic, I dedicated nights and weekends doing just that on the U.S. and Mexico border. I'd grab a box to stand on and a bullhorn so I could shout the law to the thousands of refugees trapped at the border due to the profoundly unfair "Remain in Mexico" protocols.

These sketches of justice were called "Charlas," and I became known as "La Abogada." As the pandemic froze our ability to travel, our "Charlas" became virtual. Thanks to your support, we enlisted vetted immigration attorneys to record free informational videos to provide legal information for refugees, asylum seekers, and undocumented immigrants.

Because of the innovative Mobile Pathways texting platform, these videos were shared around the country, getting viewed over 25,000 times. Thanks to your support of Charlas, we can honor the dignity of everyone by ensuring our laws are easily accessible and clear to understand.

Jodi has practiced immigration law for decades and worked with the U.S. Department of Justice before going into private practice. She is listed in Best Lawyers in America and one of the top 1% in immigration law. In 2007, she won the Arthur C. Helton Award for Advancement of Human Rights.





### **CHARLAS IMPACT REPORT** WHAT WE DID



## **OUR COLLECTIVE IMPACT**



Charlas are free informational videos made by vetted immigration experts that provide breaking news and basic legal information for refugees, asylum seekers, and undocumented immigrants.

188
INFOVIDEOS RECORDED

**2021** AT A GLANCE

#### **SEVEN**

#### **IMMIGRATION EXPERTS**

We vetted eight exceptional immigration attorneys to record videos in Spanish, English, and Indigienous languages.

#### 599

#### **CHARLAS SUBSCRIBERS**

Charlas launched in February and is gaining around 15 subscriber per week.

#### 959

#### **HOURS OF WATCH TIME**

Detailed videos in various languages provide rich content to drive a deeper understanding of immigraiton law.

#### 71%

#### **OF RECIPIENTS WANT VIDEOS**

Immigrants receiving texts from Mobile Pathways preferred video updates to get deeper context on immigration news.



### **CHARLAS IMPACT REPORT** MEET THE ABOGADAS

We vetted a constellation of immigration advocates and nonprofits to record and share legal infovideos to the immigration masses, both on the border and within the United States.



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Chantelle Casillas



Rosanna Katz



Elena Applebaum











#### **CHARLAS IMPACT REPORT** DETAILED CURRICULUM

In November 2021, the Charlas team launched curriculums via YouTube playlists for immigrants to "101" virtual courses on immigration law and asylum cases in both Spanish and English.

## **How to Prepare for Immigration Court**



## Como aplicar para el asilo



### <u>Consejos para la</u> corte de inmigracion







### **CHARLAS IMPACT REPORT** WHERE WE GO NEXT

In March 2022, Mobile Pathways will launch a game-changing virtual immigration assistant called Hola Abogada. Via SMS and WhatsApp, she will track and notify any immigrant in the court system with detailed case updates while surfacing relevant Charlas videos.



MEET HOLA ABOGADA



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