### Arab-American Family Support Center



### **Prevent Harm**



survivors of domestic and gender-based violence served



of survivors felt that they became more aware of steps needed to obtain safety as a result of receiving services



family members received wrap-around support to ensure the safety of children





In addition to leading healing circles and providing clients referrals to counseling, [AAFSC Case Managers & Advocates] also encourage our clients to empower themselves. A lot of our survivors struggle with self-advocacy and at AAFSC, our aim is to provide them with the tools and power to take charge of their new life after experiencing trauma.

## **Promote Well-Being**



mental health counseling services held





individuals received application navigation support for affordable health insurance, SNAP, COVID-19 vaccination, ERAP & NYC Care



bags and boxes of halal food distributed



I chose to get vaccinated against COVID-19 because as a local business owner, there is risk for me and my community. After speaking to AAFSC's Outreach Team about the barriers to vaccination, I now have data and resources to help communicate to my friends and family about the importance of the vaccine.

# **Prepare to Learn**

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students enhanced their English literacy skills and civics education and 100% of Citizenship applicants passed their exam Caregiver-Child Bonding Circle participants reported playing regularly or very regularly with their child to foster earlychildhood development and bonding in a post test survey, compared to 13% in a pre test



individual academic support sessions held with immigrant youth to fill learning gaps and explore college/career pathways

#### Thuraya Young Adult & Youth Program Participant

AAFSC really helped me with my college application process, especially as a first-generation college applicant. I had a really hard time filling out my FAFSA. I'm the oldest child and my dad didn't have the time to help, nor did he understand it himself. It's a nice feeling knowing there are people, like the AAFSC community, there to guide me.

## **Pursue Solutions**



reached digitally through outreach and education campaigns to promote access to services, erode mental health stigmas, engage voters, and more

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community members engaged through 260+ in-person events across New York City



community members, leaders, and experts made their voices heard in studies conducted by the AAFSC Research Institute

#### Sister Briarwood Community Leader Recipient of AAFSC's Community Leader Award Sheleeza Deen

Our partnerships and collaborative efforts have greatly impacted our families' lives and our community's growth. We are appreciative of our relationship with Arab-American Family Support Center in Briarwood to prevent food insecurity through food distribution, outreach resources, and the revitalization of community gardens and to enhance mental health training for our youths.



The Arab-American Family Support Center (AAFSC) is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization created in 1994 to provide culturally and linguistically competent traumainformed social services to low-income immigrants and refugees in New York City.

In 2022, we are proud to have provided intensive services to

### 13,000+

community members in 36 languages across 14 physical locations in each borough of New York City.



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