Immigrants accounted for **25%** of all venture-backed firms that had public offerings between 1990 and 2005



National Models

Upwardly Global provides customized training and support for recent immigrants to give them an equal opportunity to find and secure skill appropriate opportunities and achieve their full economic potential in the U.S.



40% of 2010 Fortune 500 companies were founded by immigrants or their children, employing more than 10 million people worldwide



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About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Global Detroit has raised over \$5 million in funding to launch a half-dozen initiatives



Fortune 500 companies founded by immigrants or their children boast revenues of **\$4.2 trillion** - a figure greater than the GDP of every country in the world except the U.S., China, and Japan.



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Vibrant Pittsburgh's New Arrivals Bridge is a welcome initiative that introduces newcomers to the region's unique history and culture and fosters networks among the new arrival cohort.



Growing a diverse workforce. And a brighter future for our region."

47% of all scientists and engineers with doctorate degrees are foreign-born



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Global Lansing's Protocol Network is a community of individuals that welcomes any foreign delegation that visits the region, bringing consistency to the process.



25% of American high-tech startups created between 1995 and 2005 were started by immigrants



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There are nearly **4** high-skilled immigrants for every low-skilled immigrant in Pittsburgh



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Over **38%** of Ohio's foreign born adults have a bachelor's degree or higher, compared to only **24%** of native-born residents



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More than **34%** of Indiana's immigrants who were naturalized citizens in 2011 had a bachelor's degree or higher, compared to **24%** of native born residents



The purchasing power of Ohio's Latino and Asian communities combined is **\$15 billion**



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Immigrants account for **7%** of the economic output in the Cleveland area



The combined purchasing power of Pennsylvania's Latinos and Asians in 2010 was **\$26.4 billion**



National Models

The Welcoming Center for New Pennsylvanians connects newly arrived individuals from around the world with the economic opportunities in the region. Since opening our doors in 2003, they have assisted more than 8,000 people from over 140 countries.



Welcoming Center *for* NEW PENNSYLVANIANS

International students spent **\$712 million** in Ohio in 2012



International students contributed a net \$758.7 million to Michigan's economy in the 2011-2012 school year



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MCHIONSAN[®] Economic Development Corporation



Ohio's 18,198 Asian-owned businesses had sales and receipts of **\$6.8 billion** and employed **51,478** people in 2007



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Global Detroit's ProsperUS Detroit program provides entrepreneur training and small business lending to immigrant entrepreneurs in Detroit neighborhoods



Immigrants to Michigan are **3 times** more likely to start a business than the average Michigan resident



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There are more than **2** high-skilled immigrants for every low-skilled immigrant in Columbus



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About the Global Great Lakes Network...

The **Global Lansing** "Getting Started" Fellowship Program is an innovative, first-ofits-kind initiative that matches international students in Greater Lansing to internships and mentorships with area businesses and entrepreneurs.



76% of Pittsburgh's immigrants from 2000-2009 had a college education, and **93%** had at least a GED



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

The Immigrant Welcome Center of Indianapolis' Natural Helpers program volunteers represent almost 40 different countries of origin who assist new immigrants integrating into the community



There are more than **3** high-skilled immigrants for every low-skilled immigrant in St. Louis



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Global Cleveland offers international newcomers connections to a variety of services to help them acclimate and grow roots in the community including ESL classes, language services and immigration attorneys in Northeast Ohio.





There are more than **22,000** foreign university students in Ohio.



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Global Pittsburgh hosts First Thursdays International Happy Hours as a regular monthly night of networking and socializing with an international flavor.



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Welcome Dayton has hosted the annual Dayton World Soccer Games as a fun way to celebrate the diversity in their community.



Michigan immigrants are **6 times** as likely to start a high-tech business than the average Michigan resident



Foreign students and their families contributed more than **\$1 billion** to the Pennsylvanian economy during 2011-12



About the Global Great Lakes Network...

Initial Convening

In 2012, St. Louis University completed a study entitled "How Can We Create Growth in St. Louis? The Economic Impact of Immigration on our Region." A 20-member **Regional Immigration & Innovation Steering** Committee was formed to attract, support and retain new citizens to spur growth and secure the economic future of St. Louis. **Global Great Lakes**

St LOUIS

Immigrants are almost **2 times** as likely to start a business than nonimmigrants



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32.8% of High Tech startups in Michigan launched between 1995 and 2005 had an immigrant founder. Only California and New Jersey have a greater percentage than Michigan



Event Materials Online

Power Point presentations, speaker bios and more information about the Global Great Lakes Initial Convening are available on our website **globalGL.org** under the "Convening Materials" tab



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 Building a Nation of Neighbors



Michigan international students are **3 times** more like to be majoring in a STEM field than average U.S. undergraduate student



National Models

The **Global Talent Bridge** joins with institutional partners and community-based organizations to help skilled immigrants leverage their training and experience to achieve their career and professional goals, and contribute their talents to their full potential.

