

International House

Charlotte, NC

This 2008 Ribbon of Hope grant provided a “Newcomers Orientation” pilot program targeting 70 low-income immigrants unable to access basic services and lacking in functional living skills, due to cultural and language barriers in Mecklenburg County. Activities promoted literacy and self-sufficiency, including English language competence and stimulated civic engagement. A bi-lingual resource manual in Spanish and Vietnamese was produced for program participants.