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**2025 ANNUAL  
IMPACT REPORT**

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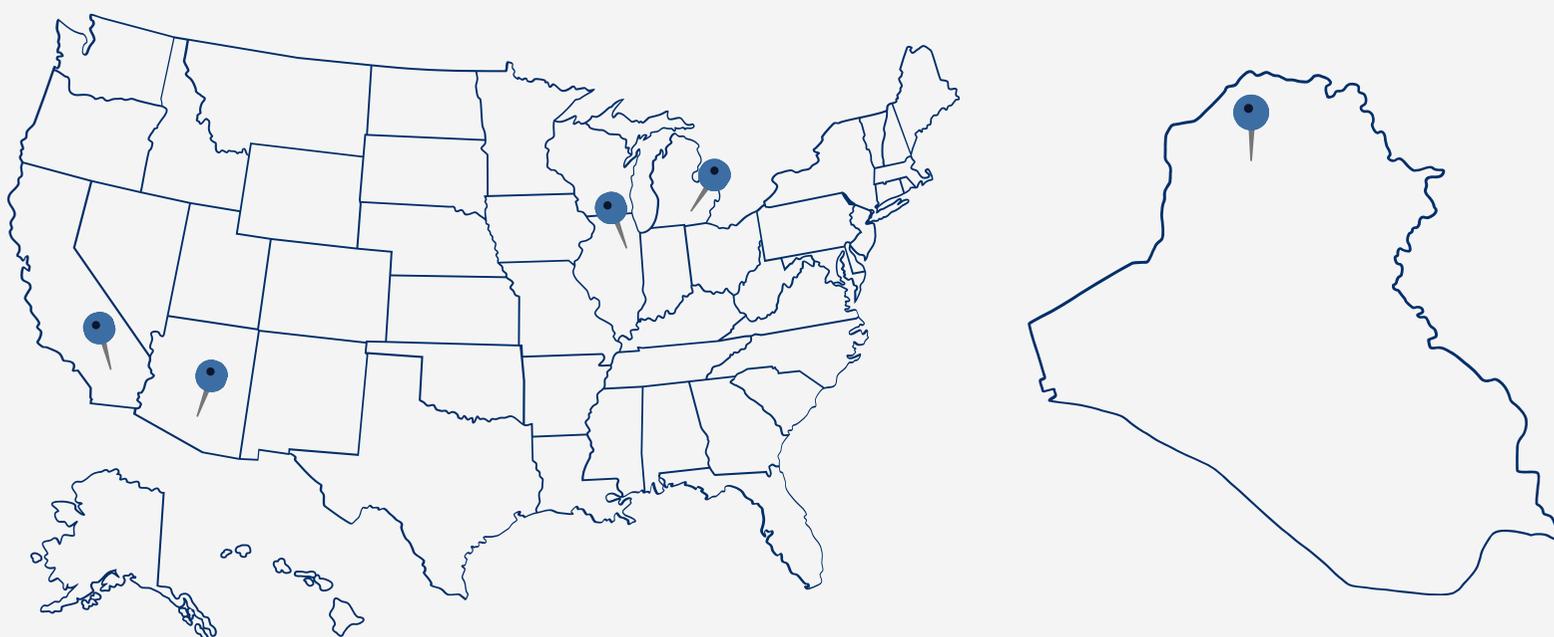
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# Executive Summary

In 2025, CHAI ACS advanced its mission with clarity & momentum. We strengthened community safety, expanded program offerings, invested in leadership development, enhanced our digital reach, & began shaping our strategic plan through 2031. Our work spans many regions & reflects measurable outcomes & long-term commitment to community resilience.

## Regional Impact



From **Arizona to California, Illinois, Michigan, & the Nineveh Plain in Iraq**, CHAI ACS supports communities across the U.S. & our homeland with programs that build safety, connection, & long-term economic strength.



# Fast Facts

## Awarded Funding in the United States

A total of **\$604,093** was awarded across FY2024 and FY2025 to CHAI Partners, to strengthen safety, leadership, wellness, and community capacity.

## Homeland Support in 2025

A **\$80,000** four-year investment for long-term economic development & resilience in the Nineveh Plain

## Funding Requests in 2025

In 2025, CHAI ACS submitted **\$2.053 million** in funding requests to expand cultural, arts, security, humanities & regional safety infrastructure from federal and foundations.

## Organizations Served

**19** community organizations & members received technical support, guidance, & capacity-building services.

## Grant Opportunities Shared

CHAI ACS publicly circulated **millions** in open grant opportunities via email and social media to help partners access resources & strengthen operations.



# Strengthening Community Safety

CHAI ACS invested in upgraded infrastructure, enhanced emergency readiness, professional security measures, & stronger coordination with law enforcement. These enhancements supported:

- Cultural institutions
- Churches
- Schools
- Community centers
- Families & elders



## FEMA Grant Reporting for Michigan & Illinois Partners

CHAI ACS provided comprehensive oversight & technical support to Michigan & Illinois partners participating in FEMA's Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP).

### Support included:

- Compliance monitoring
- Documentation & financial reporting guidance
- Monthly/quarterly progress checks
- Coordination with project managers & vendors

### Outcomes:

- All partners remained in good FEMA standing
- All advanced their projects on schedule
- Internal grant management capacity strengthened



# Virtual Resource Navigator Launch

We launched the CHAI ACS Virtual Resource Navigator, serving **nine regions** across the United States. Families can now easily access essential senior services support through the following resource categories:

- Housing & Aging in Place
- Benefits & Assistance
- Food & Nutrition
- Transportation
- Caregiver Support
- Community & Wellness
- Medical Directives & Wills
- Funeral Arrangements & Flowers



**Visit the QR code to find resources in your area today!**

California:

Bay Area

Los Angeles

Modesto

San Diego

San Jose

Turlock

Metro Phoenix (AZ)

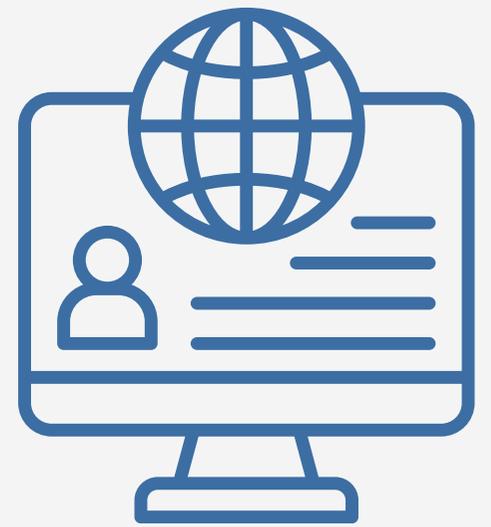
Chicagoland (IL)

Metro Detroit (MI)



# Expanding Community Voice & Digital Communications

In 2025, CHAI ACS expanded its communications infrastructure to reach more community members, more consistently, across more platforms.



## Newsletter Publications

- **Cup of Chai** — Weekly regional updates & stories
- **Sip of the Month** — Monthly insights & program highlights

## Digital Growth

CHAI expanded our social media presence from two platforms to five. This cross-platform ecosystem allows us to reach youth, elders, professionals, & partners in a unified communication strategy.

## Outcomes:

- Increased visibility
- Better engagement across generations
- Stronger professional & community connection



# CHAI ACS x ACSMH

## Chai & Chat Power Hour

In partnership with ACSMH (Assyrian Chaldean Syriac Mental Health), CHAI ACS offers **Chai & Chat Power Hour**, a weekly virtual co-working & wellness session designed to help community members stay productive, grounded, & connected.

Throughout 2025, participants **completed 21 hours of guided productivity sessions**, blending focused work time with mental-health informed practices. The program continues to grow, with weekly sessions continuing in the coming year.

### Participants engaged in:

- Personal, academic, & professional tasks
- Focused productivity & goal setting
- Collaborative planning & idea development
- Resilience-building practices
- Stress reduction
- Community connection

**Power Hour is held weekly on Thursdays at 11:00 AM EST via the ACSMH Discord server. Scan the QR code to join us this Thursday & power through productivity together.**



# RISE Incubator Program Launch

In 2025, CHAI ACS advanced the launch of **RISE**, a virtual incubator supporting nonprofits & small organizations to strengthen operations, unlock funding, & expand community impact.

RISE provides an **eight-week cohort** of expert-led training, one-on-one coaching, grant support, & practical tools for long-term sustainability. Partners learn to scale strategically, enhance financial & compliance systems with confidence.

## Outcomes

- Strengthened organizational capacity
- Improved readiness for government & grant funding
- Expanded leadership & operational skills
- Growing pipeline for the 2026 cohort



# Strengthening Planning Through 2031

In 2025, CHAI ACS launched a long-term strategic planning process to guide organizational priorities through 2031.

## Strategic Themes

- Strengthening community safety
- Youth, cultural, and economic development
- Aging community support and infrastructure
- Regional capacity building
- Financial + organizational sustainability

2025 marked a pivotal year of **activation, innovation, and strategic growth** for CHAI ACS. With strengthened safety initiatives, expanded digital presence, developing leadership pathways, improved mental health support, and a long-term strategic plan underway, CHAI ACS enters 2026 ready to deepen its regional impact.

**We are not just meeting today's needs,  
we are preparing tomorrow's capacity.**



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