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### Alaska Job Centers Provide Transitional Assistance

JUNEAU, Alaska—The Alaska Job Center Network's "no wrong-door" policy provides access to myriad job services for immigrants and individuals with limited English proficiency.

"We are renewing our efforts to connect legal immigrants to state employment, training and other essential services without the need to request additional resources in the upcoming fiscal year 2012 budget," Labor Commissioner Click Bishop said.

Information and referrals are available in all 23 statewide job centers. Job center staff can also make referrals for other services, such as those provided by public assistance, vocational rehabilitation and veterans service organizations, as well as those provided by local community organizations.

"Because of large concentrations of foreign-born workers and their families, Kodiak, Anchorage and Juneau staff are experienced in referring customers and walk-ins to immigration offices, immigration attorneys, citizenship classes, interpreter services and English, literacy and civics classes," said Tom Nelson, director of the department's Employment Security Division.

For information and referrals for employment and training related services see the [Alaska Job Center Network](http://AlaskaJobCenterNetwork) Web site ([jobs.alaska.gov/offices/index.html](http://jobs.alaska.gov/offices/index.html)) or call 1-877-724-2539 (statewide).

For information and referrals relating to immigration and citizenship assistance contact these local offices:

- Kodiak, Alma Canete-Hall, 907-486-3105
- Anchorage, Nelson San Juan, 907-269-4777
- Juneau, Michael Hutcherson, 907-465-2965

For information and assistance with citizenship and immigration services, contact the federal Alaska U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services office:

- USCIS Customer Service 800-375-5283
- Hearing Impaired TDD 800-767-1833
- Anchorage USCIS 907-271-4064
- USCIS Online [www.USCIS.gov](http://www.USCIS.gov)

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