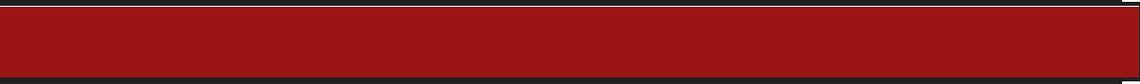


# 2016 New American Forum

Earlier this month, the Ohio Latino Affairs Commission together with State Rep. Kevin Boyce, the City of Columbus and numerous community organizations, partnered to host Columbus' first-ever New American Forum. The event convened nearly 200 community leaders and elected officials from across Columbus to foster dialogue on the challenges and opportunities facing Columbus' New American Community. The full-day event featured speeches from several distinguished government officials, as well as panels and interactive round tables on topics such as housing and civil rights, human trafficking, workforce development and more.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our participants, presenters, and exhibitors. We are especially grateful to our event partners: State Representative Kevin Boyce, Franklin University, City of Columbus, Asian American Community Services, Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services (ETSS), US Together, Community Refugee and Immigration Services (CRIS), YMCA Columbus, World Relief Columbus, Somali Education and Resource Center, and Columbus Urban Art and Design Studios.





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