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## WELCOMING ALL NEIGHBORS

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Our communities are stronger when everyone feels welcome and can reach their full potential. With more than 42 million foreign-born individuals living in the U.S. today, the Y is committed to creating a welcoming environment where all neighbors can connect, find common ground and work together to solve community challenges.

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Here are ways you can be a **welcomer**:

- Welcome neighbors in their native language.
- **Share your commitment to** welcoming all neighbors by filling out an "I'm a Welcomer" sign and sharing on social media.
- Celebrate WELCOMING WEEK, **September 14–23,** by participating in a local event that brings U.S.- and foreign-born neighbors together.

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Kids learn how to treat others from the examples adults set. Some ways to teach inclusivity **include:** 

**Expose youth** to multicultural experiences including music, books, food and festivals.

Model language and behavior that demonstrate respect for people of all backgrounds.

**Encourage youth** to stand up for peers who are being excluded by showing kindness.

