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In April, I visited Warsaw to check on the [workforce inclusion initiative that we launched last year to support displaced Ukrainian refugees in Poland](#). I met with government officials, staff from other refugee organizations, employer partners, implementing partners, coaches, and refugee job seekers. In just six months since we started accepting applications, more than 350 refugees have already accessed our services. We look forward to continuing to grow our reach and launching support groups where job seekers can connect with each other and the Upwardly Global community at large.

I'm also thrilled to share that [Fast Company recently recognized Upwardly Global](#) with an honorable mention in the North America Category of its World Changing Ideas Award for [our work helping Afghan evacuees](#) find skill-aligned work in the United States. We also received two important grants that will help us continue advancing our innovative work in the healthcare and AI fields from the [Truist Foundation](#) and [Schmidt Futures](#).

With gratitude,  
Jina Krause-Vilmar  
CEO and President

## Upwardly Global Recognizes Impact of Title 42 Ending on Asylee Community



Upwardly Global recognizes the significant impact that the expiration of Title 42 has on both the broader asylee system and the Upwardly Global community. At Upwardly Global, we believe in a just and equitable asylee system that enables individuals to seek refuge in the United States and secure meaningful employment opportunities.

Jina Krause-Vilmar appeared on ABC News DC to speak about the impact of Title 42 ending. [Watch the video.](#)

## Upwardly Global Recognized in Fast Company's 'World Changing Ideas' Awards

Upwardly Global's work [supporting Afghan newcomers](#) restarting their lives and careers in the U.S. just landed an honorable mention in [Fast Company's 2023 World Changing Ideas Awards](#). The awards honor sustainable designs, innovative products, bold social initiatives, and other creative projects that are changing the world.

"We are thrilled that our work impacting Afghan newcomers is being recognized by Fast Company," said Jina Krause-Vilmar, CEO and President of Upwardly Global. "We will continue to champion workforce inclusion for Afghan newcomers, elevate their stories and voices, and ensure that these individuals can stay and work in the U.S. through passage of the Afghan Adjustment Act."

[Read more.](#)

## Ethiopian Asylum Seeker Empowered To Restart Her Marketing Career in the U.S.



"Getting introduced to Upwardly Global just opened the door for me. I cannot thank you enough."

- Berhan, Upwardly Global Alum

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Berhan grew up in Tigray region of Ethiopia, where she and her seven siblings grew up hiding from the daily missile attacks that ravaged the region during the 1980's Ethiopian Civil War. Despite growing up in the midst of conflict, Berhan excelled in school and earned a marketing degree in college. She sought asylum in the U.S. and found help from Upwardly Global rebuilding her career.

[Learn about Berhan's full story.](#)

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## Upwardly Global Receives Support from Google, Truist Foundation, and Schmidt Futures to Expand Programs and Services Connecting Immigrants and Refugees to Skills-Aligned Jobs

- [Google.org grants \\$1 million](#) to provide the Google Career Certificates for Upwardly Global immigrant and refugee job seekers, alongside coaching and mentorship support from volunteers from Google, with a goal of helping place them into digital economy jobs. The new funding builds on Google.org's existing work with Upwardly Global that has helped nearly 400 immigrant and refugee job seekers since 2018.
- [Truist Foundation awards \\$800,000](#) to support Upwardly Global's efforts to proactively connect internationally trained immigrant and refugee job seekers with in-demand careers in the healthcare sector through an innovative work-based learning and "midternship" model.
- [Schmidt Futures' Opportunity Engines program — the Workforce Training Accelerator — commits \\$1.5 million](#) to support Upwardly Global's efforts to customize an artificial intelligence-powered tool that proactively connects immigrant and refugee job seekers to thriving-wage employment.

## Upwardly Global Spotlited on Channel WTOL 11 Toledo, Ohio; President and CEO Jina Krause-Vilmar Interviewed

Upwardly Global was recently featured in a news spotlight for WTOL Toledo, Ohio. The video explains how Upwardly Global provides a range of services to help refugees and immigrants find meaningful employment, including skill training, job-search support, and networking opportunities. Through these services, Upwardly Global is helping to ensure that refugees and immigrants are able to contribute to their communities and build successful careers in the U.S.

[Watch the full video.](#)

The Upwardly Global Equity Gala in New York City on

September 20, 2023



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