

Questions to Ask regarding your Immigration Story

- Why did you immigrate to America?
- How long was your journey to the States?
- What were the emotions you were feeling during your journey?
- What was it like when you left your home country?
- What was your home country?
- How did you travel to the US (boat, plane, etc.)? Did it have a name?
- What did you expect to see or what did you think it would be like when you came to America?
- What was it like when you arrived here in America?
- How old were you when you came?
- Were some of your family members here? Tell me about your family left behind, or already here in the states.
- Who did you travel with? Or did you come alone?
- Was it hard for you to leave? Describe your experience when you left your home country?
- Was it hard to find a job?
- Did you have any difficulty learning the language?
- Were there any things that were new for you (technology, driving, etc.)?
- Was it hard for you to adjust? Does it feel like home?
- When you first came here, what was the first thing you did?