

SOMALI COMMUNITY
SERVICES COALITION

MAIN PURPOSES:

*The purpose of the Somali
Community Services coalition
is to provide support to the So-
mali refugees who relocated in
Oregon. The newly created
Somali Community strives to
provide services in the areas of:*

- ◆ *Immigration*
- ◆ *Translation*
- ◆ *Education*
- ◆ *Social Service*
- ◆ *Employment*
- ◆ *Faith/Culture*
- ◆ *Child abuse prevention*



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Somali Community Services Coalition's Goals

Our Major Activities

We are committed to:

- ◆ Promote and support the educational as well as skill development of Somali youth and their families so they may become socially and economically self-sufficient
- ◆ Provide legal assistance & advocacy in areas such as immigration, housing, welfare, employment, domestic violence, IRS issues and advocacy in courts
- ◆ Provide translation services at hospitals, schools, courts and social service agencies for the Somali community
- ◆ Provide after school tutoring and homework assistance
- ◆ Provide computer literacy and Seamstress Training Programs
- ◆ Energy assistance through NH Inc.

TRANSLATION SERVICE

We are providing translation services for the Somali immigrants. This involves accompanying them to doctor appointments, appointments with different government agencies, meeting with landlords, etc.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

We are functioning as a community resources in dealing with government agencies such as INS and welfare agencies. In the near future, as we develop additional resources, we have plans to provide additional services, consisting of, but not limited to, citizenship classes, legal assistance. It is our hope that by providing the above services we will facilitate the adjustment of immigrants to American society; help them achieve independence and speed their integration into the mainstream of American life

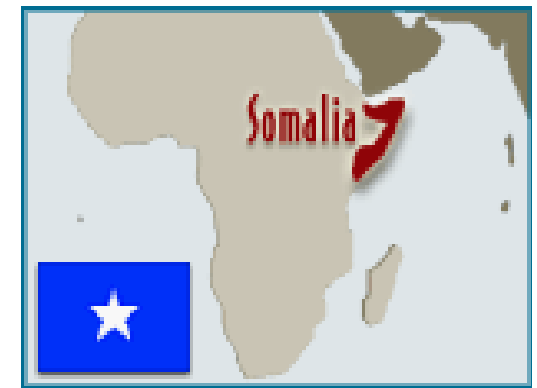
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Brief History:

Since the collapse of the Somali government and the start of the civil war in the early 90s, records indicate that over 150,000 documented (and many undocumented) Somalis have immigrated to the US. Specifically, the last five years, the Somali community in Portland has been sharply increasing.



Somalia is located in Eastern Africa, bordering the gulf of Aden and Indian Ocean, East of Ethiopia.

