





Important Announcement for Ecuadorians

New Family Reunification Process for Ecuador

The federal government announced a new Family Reunification process for the Ecuadorian community in the United States.

The program is only for Ecuadorians who are already in the process of receiving a family visa.

1. What is family reunification parole?



Family reunification parole lets you come to the United States if you are waiting for a family visa in Ecuador. If you come in under this program, you can apply for a work permit and work until you receive your visa.

2. Who qualifies for this program?

This program is available to people who are:

- a) Outside of the United States,
- **b)** Ecuadorian national OR the spouse or child of an Ecuadorian national, and
- c) Have an approved family petition (Form I-130)



NOTE: You can only participate in this program **if you have not received your family visa**.

If you have already received your visa, contact your local consulate for additional information.

3. What documents will I need?



As part of this process, both family members inside and outside of the U.S will need to submit several documents.

Family members inside the U.S. will need to provide financial documents like a copy of their last U.S. federal income tax return, bank statements, and/or a letter from their employer to prove they can take care of their family member.

Family members outside of the U.S. should make sure their passport is valid before they can travel.

Step by Step on Ecuadorian Parole



The U.S. government will send invites to family members in the United States who can participate in this program.





Family member inside the U.S. submits Form I-134A and financial documents.



USCIS confirms the application and sends the next steps via email to the family member outside of the U.S.



Family members outside of the U.S. submit information on the CBP1 mobile app.

5 The U.S. government will send approval.





Family members outside of the U.S travel to the border at the time of appointment given by the CBP1 app.



NOTE: You can only participate in this process if the U.S. government sends you an invite. You can check if the U.S. government has sent your family member by going to www.uscis.gov/frpinvitations.



NOTE: invitations for this program started to go out on Nov. 17, 2023. If you have not received one it could be because your mailing address is not updated.

You can update your information by going to www.nvc.state.gov/inquiry



BEWARE OF LEGAL IMMIGRATION SCAMS AND FRAUDULENT ACTORS

Remember: Only a licensed attorney or a DOJ Accredited Representative can file applications on your behalf.

Beware of immigration legal scams or fraudulent providers who may indicate otherwise and make false promises, such as:

- · A way to get a work permit or visa immediately.
- · Statements indicating that there are no risks or consequences.
- · Claims of special influence with immigration authorities.



If you do not have an attorney, please call the MOIA's Immigration Legal Support Hotline at **1-800-354-0365** between 9AM-6PM, Monday – Friday, or call **311** and say "ActionNYC".