



Mayor's Office of
Immigrant Affairs



President Biden Announces New Immigration Programs

El Presidente Biden Anuncia Nuevos Programas Migratorios

Additional Protections for Undocumented
Spouses of U.S. Citizens, DACA Recipients,
and DREAMers

Protecciones adicionales para cónyuges
indocumentados de ciudadanos
estadounidenses, beneficiarios de DACA, y
DREAMers





Process for Undocumented Spouses of U.S. Citizens

This new process will allow certain undocumented spouses and children of U.S. citizens to apply for a green card without leaving the United States.

To qualify, individuals must have been

- **living in the U.S. for 10 or more years as of June 17, 2024,** and
- be legally married to a U.S. Citizen or be a qualifying child of someone married to a U.S. Citizen.



Those who qualify will be given a work permit for 3 years, during which they will be able to apply for lawful permanent residence.



Process for DACA Recipients and DREAMers

This new process will allow DACA recipients and other undocumented individuals to transition into the **H-1B work visa program**. This program offers DACA recipients the chance to gain more permanent status and, in some cases, a pathway to citizenship.



- To qualify, individuals must have
- earned a degree at an accredited U.S. institution of higher education in the United States and
 - must have an offer of employment from a U.S. employer in a field related to their degree.



How to Prepare Your Documents

Immigration is not accepting applications at this time and **any application submitted will be automatically rejected**. We anticipate applications will be accepted later in the summer or early fall.

Individuals who think they qualify can gather their documents while we wait for further instructions, including:



- **Identity document showing your photo, name, and date of birth** like a passport or a birth certificate (if neither is available, alternative documentation should be discussed with an attorney).
- **Proof you have been in the United States for 10 years as of June 17, 2024**, like bank statements, housing agreements, apartment leases, school records, medical records, pay stubs, letters of employment, and federal income tax returns.
- **Proof of your marriage to a U.S. Citizen**, such as a marriage certificate, marriage license, birth certificates of children, joint bank statements, and pictures of you and your spouse.



For more information about how to protect yourself from immigration legal fraud, please visit our website: www.nyc.gov/immigrants



Para obtener más información sobre cómo protegerse del fraude legal de inmigración, visite nuestro sitio web.



1-800-354-0365

Monday to Friday, 9AM to 6PM

Lunes a viernes, 9 a.m. a 6 p.m.

Access legal help by calling the MOIA Immigration Legal Support Hotline

Acceda a ayuda legal llamando a la línea directa de soporte legal de inmigración de MOIA



BEWARE OF LEGAL IMMIGRATION SCAMS AND FRAUDULENT ACTORS

Remember:

- Only a licensed attorney or a DOJ Accredited Representative can file applications for you.
- A public notary who is not a licensed attorney cannot fill out these forms/file them for you. They also cannot charge you to do this.



**Immigration law is complicated.
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.