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CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF ORANGE COUNTY **IMMIGRATION & CITIZENSHIP SERVICES**

DACA APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

USCIS has resumed accepting requests for initial DACA applications. Catholic Charities of Orange County is providing assistance with DACA applications. Catholic Charities is a Department of Justice recognized agency with accredited staff that assist the community with services pertaining to immigration and citizenship.



DACA INITIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Be at least 15 years old
- 2. Was under 31 years of age as of June 15, 2012
- 3. Arrived in the U.S. before turning 16 years old
- Has continuously resided in the U.S. since June 15, 2007, up to the present time
- 5. Was physically present in the U.S. on June
 15, 2012 and at the time of making DACA request
- 6. Had no lawful immigration status, or lawful status expired prior to June 15, 2012
- 7. Is currently in school, or has graduated from high school, obtained a certificate of completion from high school, obtained a General Education Development (GED) certificate, or is an honorably discharged veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard or U.S. Armed Forces
- 8. Has not been convicted (as an adult) of a felony offense, a significant misdemeanor offense, three or more non-significant misdemeanor offenses, or does not otherwise prose a threat to national security or public safety



DACA INITIAL APPLICATION COST

- \$495 payable to the "Department of Homeland Security" Cannot be waived.
- \$500 to Catholic Charities of Orange County for the preparation and analysis of application that supports 14 years of continuous presence. This cost can be reduced or waived by CCOC on a need basis for low-income applicants.

For DACA Renewal Applications:

CCOC is providing free renewal assistance for applications. Please call our office for more information!

INITIAL DACA APPLICATION PROCESS



- 1. Watch our DACA Information Session on our website or YouTube
 - a. Topics discussed at the sessions
 include an overview of the DACA
 process, government fees, CCOC fees
 and fee wavier program for those
 who are low-income
- Download our DACA intake packet from our website or pick it up from CCOC's Immigration & Citizenship office
- Submit DACA intake to CCOC's
 Immigration & Citizenship office, packets
 will be reviewed and analyzed by an
 immigration counselor
- CCOC associates will schedule an appointment with applicant or ask for additional documentation
- 5. Application completion will take place over the phone first
- 6. Appointment scheduled by CCOC staff to finalize and sign application