

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: PAROLE IN PLACE

Applications for the new parole in place program will open on August 19, 2024.



HOW DOES PIP BENEFIT OUR COMMUNITY?

Recipients of parole in place will be protected temporarily from deportation, be able to **apply for legal work authorization, and could potentially complete their application process for lawful permanent residency.**



NOTE: Additional information on the application process, required fee, and other key information will be **detailed in a forthcoming Federal Register Notice. USCIS will reject any filing received prior to the publication of the Federal Register Notice.**

ELIGIBILITY AND PROCESS



USCIS will consider an **individual's eligibility on a case-by-case basis.**

Spouses of U.S. citizens must:

- Be **present in the United States** without admission or parole;
- Have been continuously **present in the United States for at least 10 years as of June 17, 2024;**
- Have a **legally valid marriage** to a **U.S. citizen as of June 17, 2024;** and
- Have no disqualifying criminal history or otherwise constitute a threat to national security or public safety




Stepchildren of U.S. citizens must:

- Be **present in the United States without admission or parole;** and
- Have a **qualifying stepchild relationship to the U.S. citizen as of June 17, 2024**





WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW:

- Schedule a **legal consultation** with a trusted legal service organization or immigration attorney to be informed of your options
- Gather documents – **The following are only recommended documents.** USCIS has not yet published what documents will be necessary.


 Identity documents (Your birth certificate, photo identification)


 Marriage certificate


 Proof that your spouse is a U.S. citizen (U.S. birth certificate, naturalization certificate, or U.S. passport)

 Proof of legal termination of any past marriages for you and your spouse (divorce, annulment, death certificate)

 Your children's birth certificates

 Proof that you have been in the United States from June 18, 2014 to June 17, 2024, including U.S. income tax returns and household bills with your name and U.S. address

 Certified court dispositions for any criminal arrests

 Copies of any past immigration applications

- **Save money for the application fee**

Resources: Information provided by National Immigrant Justice Center and USCIS



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PROTECT YOURSELF FROM IMMIGRATION SCAMS

Applying for this – or any other immigration benefit – carries some risk. A person who applies and does not qualify and/or includes inaccurate information in an application could face negative immigration consequences including: denial of benefits, loss of filing fees, ineligibility for future benefits, and/or referral for deportation proceedings.

Some common scams to be aware of include:

- **Government Impersonators:** USCIS will only contact you through official channels, not via personal social media accounts.
- **Scam Websites:** Ensure information comes from uscis.gov, dhs.gov, or affiliated .gov sites.
- **Payments by Phone or Email:** USCIS will never ask for money transfers via Western Union, MoneyGram, PayPal, or gift cards, nor request payment by phone or email.
- **Unauthorized Practitioners:** In the U.S., only attorneys or DOJ-accredited representatives can offer legal immigration advice.



Please, keep the following points in mind:

- **No attorney or legal service provider can promise you an outcome on your case.** Because we don't have final instructions from the government, it remains unclear who will qualify for this benefit.
- Because the government has not yet released the full requirements for this program, **no one can promise you are eligible for this benefit or guarantee you will be able to receive an employment authorization document.** While some attorneys may ask for a fee to assess your case and/or be under contract with you to complete your application if you are eligible, be careful about paying for legal services for PIP at this time.
- **Avoid fraud by notaries and other unlicensed providers.** Only licensed attorneys and accredited representatives who work at recognized nonprofit organizations can provide a legal assessment of your case or offer you legal services.

IF YOU ARE UNDOCUMENTED AND NEED LEGAL ADVICE, CALL YOUR LOCAL LEGAL AID OFFICE OR CONTACT MRCT FOR A REFERRAL:

Hartford Area

- **Greater Hartford Legal Aid**
999 Asylum Ave., Hartford, CT 06105
Phone: (860)541-5000
- **Connecticut Institute for Refugees and Immigrants (CIRI), Hartford Office**
175 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: (860) 692-3085
- **CT Legal Services, New Britain Office**
16 Main Street, 2nd Floor, New Britain, CT 06051
Phone: (860) 225-8678
- **Caritas Immigration Legal Services (Middletown)**
292 Main Street (Riverview Center), Suite 280
Middletown, Connecticut, 06457
(860)358-0066

Bridgeport Area

- **CT Legal Services**
1000 Lafayette Blvd Suite 950, Bridgeport, CT 06604
(203) 336-3851
- **Connecticut Institute for Refugees and Immigrants (CIRI), Bridgeport Office**
670 Clinton Ave., Bridgeport, CT 06605
Phone: (203) 336-0141
- **Catholic Charities**
1406 State Street
Bridgeport, CT 06605
(203) 416-1306/(203) 416-1311



New Haven Area

- **New Haven Legal Assistance**
205 Orange St, New Haven, CT 06510
203) 946-4811
- **Building One Community**
417 Shippan Ave., Stamford, CT 06902
Phone: 203-674-8585

- **Integrated Immigrant and Refugee Services**
235 Nicoll Street 2nd Floor, New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: 203-562-2095

Private Attorneys

- **Esperanza Law**
251 Edwards St., New Haven, CT 06511
Phone (203) 290-4500
- **Formica P.C.**
195 Church Street, 11th Floor, New Haven, CT 06510
Phone (203) 787-1946
- **Law Office of Alicia R. Kinsman**
753 Fairfield avenue , Bridgeport, CT 06604
203-701-6043
- **O'Neil Baker Law LLC**
102 Oak St., Hartford, CT 06106
(860) 272-6742



RESOURCES / MORE INFORMATION:

- **IMMIGRANT LEGAL RESOURCE CENTER:**
www.ilrc.org
- **IMMIGRANT DEFENSE PROJECT:**
www.immigrantdefenseproject.org
- **CONNECTICUT LAW HELP:**
www.ctlawhelp.org
- **ACLU**
www.aclu.org
- **MAKE THE ROAD CT**
www.maketheroadct.org



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