



To learn more about how Catholic Charities Immigration and Refugee Services' helps immigrants and refugees build new lives, please call:

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### Office Hours:

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays by appointment only.

Walk-ins are welcome on Wednesdays from 8 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. There is a \$25 fee for consultations.

*Providing help. Creating hope.*

## Catholic Charities Immigration and Refugee Services



### Credentials

Accredited by the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) to provide immigration services.

Affiliated with Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC) to provide immigration services.

Manages resettlement of refugees in participation with United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB).



### Mission

*To demonstrate the Gospel values of love and justice through service, education, advocacy and collaboration.*

This agency serves persons of every faith, personal belief, race, age, nationality and ability. It is an equal opportunity employer.

*Multicultural Issues*

*Helping individuals and families  
build new lives in America.*

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*Serving all faiths.  
Helping renew lives.*

*An Outreach of the Catholic Church, Catholic Charities Immigration and Refugee Services has access to the latest information available on immigration, naturalization and refugee resettlement, ensuring that our staff is well-versed on current issues.*

## History and Credentials

Since the 1960s, Catholic Charities has provided help to refugees. In 1986, the agency began offering immigration services and, in 1989, became accredited by the Board of Immigration Appeals. Our staff are certified by the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA). This accreditation means that our clients can be assured that their paperwork will be accepted by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). This also means that Catholic Charities has made a commitment to keeping fees low.

We are also affiliated with Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC) to provide immigration services.

In participation with U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops/Migration and Refugee Services (USCCB/MRS) we manage resettlement of refugees.

## Immigration Services

Our staff advise and guide clients through the immigration process in an efficient, effective and professional, caring manner. We provide the following services:

- Assistance with the preparation of Family Visa petitions
- Assistance with adjustment of status applications
- Consular Visa Processing: including assistance with waivers for triggering unlawful presence bars
- Naturalization/Citizenship Services (N-400 and N-600 applications)
- Re-entry Permit/Travel Document
- Employment Authorization
- Family Unity
- Other immigration needs related to Visa procedures
- Outreach to communities, organizations and parishes
- Immigration Information Sessions
- Consultations: to address client's immigration concerns, determine eligibility for an immigration benefit/application, and go over immigration procedures.

**Immigration advice and procedures are provided on a walk-in basis on Wednesdays from 8 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. Our offices are at 437 N. Topeka and our bilingual receptionist greets visitors, then BIA certified staff meet with clients. This consultation is \$25 and many people take advantage of this affordable service.**

## Refugee Services

Working with the USCCB/MRS, staff help refugees resettle, including help with integration into their community and connecting with resources, like schools, social services and government offices.

## Additional Help

- Notary public (for immigration purposes only)
- Photos for Passports and immigration needs
- Documentation to apply for the [Violence Against Women's Act \(VAWA\)](#) is another area that our staff provide help. Women who are in the United States as an undocumented person may qualify for help with gaining legal status if they are married to a legal resident or U.S. citizen who abuses them. We work with Harbor House and another women's shelter in town to help these women.

## Interpreter Services

Catholic Charities provides on-site, accurate and confidential translations in Spanish and Vietnamese. Interpreter Services offers interpretations for medical, mental health, legal, social service, education and general purposes.

Scheduling interpretation is necessary and available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Appointments require 24 hours advance notice.

The cost for interpreter services is \$30 an hour. Please call 264-0282 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

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