



# DREAM RELIEF!

**What is Deferred Action?** The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) is a program that will provide a renewable 2-year work permit and temporary protection from deportation to those who were under the age of 31 on June 15, 2012 and entered the United States before the age of 16. **\*\*\*If you have a Previous Deportation Order, You May Still Qualify**

**MUST PROVE ALL THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY:**

**1. Must be 15yrs or older in order to apply**

**2. Must have been younger than 31yrs old on or before 06/15/2012 (You must have been born after 06/15/1981)**

- You need your Birth Certificate **AND one of the following:**
- Valid Passport or Consular ID –*school ID is not valid for these purposes*

**3. Must have entered the country BEFORE the age of 16**

- School Transcripts –School Transcripts -request your record at: Chicago Public Schools website **Do not pick DACA request option. If you did not attend CPS , look at your school districts website on how to contact them to request your complete transcripts.**

**\*\*If you did NOT register for school, you must still prove this requirement with other documentation**

**4. Must have lived in the US since 06/15/2007 AND must have been in the US on or before 06/15/2012**

**\*\*\*ONE (1) DOCUMENT FOR EACH MONTH** since June 15, 2007 until present time. **ALL documents must be organized by date and must be under your name.** You may bring documents such as: Utility Bills; Bank Statements; Medical Records; Medical card; Income Taxes; Check Stubs; School Transcripts; Cumulative Progress Report; etc.

- 2007: May through December
- 2008 to 2020: January through December

**5. Must be currently enrolled in school OR must have graduated from High School, obtained GED Certificate, or have been honorably discharged from the Military Service or U.S. Coast Guard**

- School Transcripts **AND** H.S. Diploma **OR** GED Certificate **OR** proof of enrollment in school
- Proof of honorable discharge from the Military or U.S Coast Guard

**6. Have NOT been convicted of a felony, significant misdemeanor, 3 or more misdemeanors**

To determine your eligibility bring the FINAL DISPOSITION of each arrest on the date of your appointment, you can get this document at the courthouse where your arrest happened.

*Note: If you have NEVER been arrested you do NOT need to bring a criminal record*

**7. List of all the addresses where you have lived since coming to United States along with the dates resided at the addresses provided**

**8. Cost to Apply -Money orders only**

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| \$410.00— Payable to USCIS for work permit | \$85.00—Payable to USCIS for biometrics (fingerprints) |
| \$250.00— Payable to Centro Romero (DACA)  | \$50.00— Payable to Centro Romero (consultation fee)   |

**If you have an existing case at Centro Romero** you can send an e-mail to [legald@centroromero.org](mailto:legald@centroromero.org)

**If you are a new client you can visit <https://centroromero.org/legal-services/>** to start your consultation online or you can scan the following QR code. Please **do not** start a consult online if you have never been a legal department client.



Contact us before coming in we want to make sure your visit is as productive as possible and that someone can assist you when you come in. Do not contact us by phone. The best way of communication is via e-mail.

**Legal Department Business hours for DACA :** Monday thru Wednesday: 10 am to 4pm and Saturday: 9am-12pm  
(Closed 1 pm to 2pm and on Holidays)