

WHO ARE WE?

Northeast New Jersey Legal Services (NNJLS) is a non-profit corporation supported with public and private funds.

We provide free legal services to financially eligible residents of Bergen, Hudson and Passaic Counties in a variety of civil legal matters, including public benefits, housing, family, consumer, health, employment, education and community economic development.

Our attorneys, paralegals and support staff are dedicated to providing the highest quality legal services. We seek to assure that access to the civil justice system is not denied to individuals simply because they cannot afford a private attorney.

ELIGIBILITY

You may be eligible for free legal assistance if you live in Bergen, Hudson or Passaic Counties. There are income and asset eligibility guidelines for free legal aid, as well as regulations and priorities which may limit the types of cases that NNJLS accepts.

If you are not eligible for our services, our staff will try to make an appropriate referral.

NORTHEAST NEW JERSEY LEGAL SERVICES will make special arrangements to meet with you if you are homebound or disabled.

*Contact us through
one of our local offices:*



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IMMIGRATION LEGAL RIGHTS PROJECT

**Providing free legal services
to the low income community
in immigration matters.**

**Services are available to low-
income residents of Bergen,
Hudson and Passaic Counties.**

WHAT IS THE IMMIGRATION LEGAL RIGHTS PROJECT?

The Immigration Legal Rights Project was established in 2009 to address immigration issues that are faced by the low-income community in our service area. The Immigration Legal Rights Project seeks to increase awareness and education about immigration issues through advice and representation on behalf of individuals in the following areas:

- Adjustment of Status
- Immediate Relative Petitions for USCIS
- Conditional Visa expirations
- Renewal of Permanent Residency Cards
- Removal/Deportation of Legal Permanent Residents
- Citizenship Applications
- Loss of Naturalization Documents
- VAWA Self-Petitions
- U & T Visas
- Fee Waivers for USCIS applications

SERVICES WE PROVIDE:

Adjustment of Status

Individuals who were inspected and admitted or paroled into the United States may be adjusted to that of a lawfully permanent residence if the individual meets certain criteria.

Immediate Relative Petitions for USCIS

United States citizens are able to petition for immediate family members which may include, a spouse, parent or children (under 21 years of age and unmarried).



Loss of Naturalization Documents

Individuals who have naturalized but lost their certificate are able to request a replacement from USCIS.

Conditional Visa expirations

Individuals who are married to a US citizen for less than two years at the time of the approval of the petition and received a conditional two year residency card, must apply for that condition to be lifted within 90 days of the expiration date. There are exceptions to filing with their spouse for people who have been battered, divorced or facing extreme hardship.

Renewal of Permanent Residency Cards

Individuals who have a Permanent Residency card and who have an upcoming expiration date or who have an old Resident Card without an expiration date must renew their cards with USCIS.

Citizenship Applications

Legal Permanent Residents must be at least 18 years old and meet certain other criteria to apply for Naturalization.

Removal/Deportation of Legal Permanent Residents

Permanent Residents who are facing removal or deportation from the U.S. because of a criminal history, and who meet certain requirements, may seek cancellation of removal before the immigration court.

VAWA Self-Petitions

Under the Violence Against Women Act, abused spouses and children of US citizens or permanent residents may self-petition to obtain legal residency without the abuser's assistance or knowledge, in order to seek safety and independence from the abuser.

U & T Visas

Individuals who suffered substantial physical or mental abuse due to a listed criminal activity and who have or are willing to assist government officials in the investigation or prosecution may be eligible for a U visa.

Individuals who are/were victims of severe forms of trafficking and who have complied with a request for assistance in the investigation or prosecution of trafficking persons, and who meet certain other criteria may be eligible for a T Visa.

WE ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO SPEAK WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS.

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