Immigration Services

Help for families who are making a new start in Rochester.
Rochester owes much of its cultural diversity to its immigrant history. From the Italian and Polish neighborhoods of the past to the Afghan, Burmese, Congolese, Iraqi and Ukrainian communities of today, Rochester has been enriched by those who add their music, art, food and tradition to our community mosaic.

Do you know someone who needs help with immigration issues?

…needing a Legal Consultation?
…wanting to apply to become a U.S. citizen?
…hoping to bring family here from another country?

Catholic Family Center may be able to help!
The Immigration Team at Catholic Family Center has been providing services that support immigrants and processes related to immigration since 1996.

Our Immigration team includes Department of Justice Accredited Representatives to provide counsel, intervention and official representation on many immigration matters.

• Citizenship & Naturalization Assistance
• Reuniting Families
• Journey's End & Legal Aid Consultations
• Entrepreneurial Training
• Cuban/Haitian Services
• Green Card Services for Refugees
• Immigration Application Assistance

Did you know...
Last year 220 applications were filed by the Immigration Team at CFC.

Citizenship Classes &
Citizenship Classes with
ESL support - FREE

Citizenship preparation classes cover the English vocabulary on the citizenship test, civics questions, and a welcoming place to practice for the U.S. naturalization interview.

These classes are for any student, regardless of their level of English/ESL, from beginner, intermediate and higher levels of English.

For more information about classes, please call (585) 546-7220, ext. 6112.

Green Cards, Renewals &
“Adjustment of Status”

Catholic Family Center provides assistance to both refugees and immigrants who wish to apply for their initial green card after living in the U.S. for at least 1 year.

Applications we support include:
• Adjustment of Status - Refugee/Asylee (I-485)
• Adjustment of Status Cuban Parolee (I-485)
• Removal of Conditional Residence/Marriage (I-751)
• Affidavit of Relationship - USCCB cases no charge
• Green Card Renewal/Replacement (I-90)

For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please call (585) 546-7220, ext. 4601.

Naturalization Assistance

Naturalization Assistance helps Legal Permanent Residents (green card holders) complete the application for citizenship.

To be eligible to apply for citizenship, you need to meet certain resident and test criteria, and be able to read, write and speak in English.

We assist with the following applications:
• Naturalization (N-400)
• Certificate of Citizenship (N-600)
• Application for Replacement of Naturalization/Citizenship (N-565)

Please call (585) 546-7220, ext. 4628 for appointment.
Reuniting Families
Providing assistance to refugees and asylees who wish to petition for eligible family members to come to the U.S.

Any person who has been admitted into the United States as a refugee or asylee in the past 2 years may be able to file an application for I-730 and/or Affidavit of Relationship for the “Follow to Join” application. CFC can help with applications through a variety of ways including:

• Refugee/Asylee Family Petition (I-730)
• Petition for Alien Relative (I-130& 130A)
• K Fiancé or Spouse Visa (I-129F)
• Employment Authorization (I-765)
• Affidavit of Financial Support (I-864/I-134)
• Application for Travel Document (I-131)

Please call (585) 546-7220 ext. 4828 for more information.

Immigration Legal Counsel
Catholic Family Center offers access to qualified representatives as well as immigration attorneys from Journey’s End and Legal Aid Society. Consultations are by appointment only; no walk ins.

To set up an appointment, please call (585) 546-7220, ext. 4628.

Cuban Haitian Immigration Services
The CHESS Program provides a full range of immigration assistance to Cuban and Haitian Entrants, including adjustment of status, employment authorization, and renewal/ replacement of “green cards.”

Call (585) 546-7220, ext. 4632 for an appointment.

Other Application Assistance
We also can assist with a variety of applications and processes; the family or individual is responsible for USCIS fees and CFC costs. Some assistance for fees may be available. These applications and services include:

• U.S. Passport Application (DS11/82)
• DOJ/BIA representation at USCIS appointment
• DOJ Consultation Screening Intake
• Motion to change of venue/address change request for Immigration Court Proceedings (EOIR-33)
• Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver (I-601A)
• Request of Hearing on a Decision (N-336)
• Notice of Motion /Appeal Reopen & Reconsideration (290B)
• Consular RFE processing issues support (time and cost varies)
• Application to file Declaration of Intention (N-300)
• Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (N-470)
• Application for Posthumous Citizenship (N-644)
• Request for return of original documents (G-884)
• Notice of Appeal to Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) (EOIR-29)
• VAWA (violence against women act), for widows of US Citizens (I-360)
• U Visa for Victims of Crime (I-918/918 B and/or 918 A)
• Assistance Preparations /Court Proceedings

“Serving a few hours every month as a volunteer with the team at CFC to help refugees attain their US citizenship is meaningful work and personally fulfilling.”
About Catholic Family Center

Catholic Family Center (CFC) is Greater Rochester’s largest provider of comprehensive family services. Each year we assist tens of thousands of our neighbors, relatives and friends as they work to remain or become healthy, productive, participating members of our community. We serve all people—regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, age, ability or gender. Our programs work together to address the many issues of human need across all stages of life.

Immigration Services

Citizenship Eligibility Screening • Family Reunification • Green Card Services

*All Services Subject to Catholic Family Center Processing Fees.

Interested in Volunteering?
Learn how you can help someone obtain their US Citizenship!

Call
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Or Visit
www.cfcrochester.org for more information

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Did you know...
The Immigration Services Department at CFC helped more than 60 people become citizens in 2020 and had an additional 170 awaiting naturalization.

"I am genuinely excited that these new American citizens and their families will be the future providers and leaders of America. I am grateful that CFC can offer our services to people in need."

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