



# 2026-27 Renewal Student Eligibility Requirements



The [Education Freedom Scholarship \(EFS\)](#) Renewal Application for the 2026-27 school year provides current EFS recipients with the opportunity to apply to continue in the EFS program for the next academic year. Located in the same online portal that EFS account holders used for applications and account management, the renewal application is a streamlined version of the application submitted last year, focusing on confirming continued eligibility for the program. Renewal applications request current recipients provide updated documentation to demonstrate Tennessee residency and confirm any updates to their U.S. citizenship or lawful presence status. The information below provides a brief overview of the eligibility requirements and documentation needed in the renewal application.

## Who is an eligible student for an EFS in the 2026-27 school year?

Any Tennessee student who is a U.S. citizen or lawfully present, as defined in State Board of Education (SBE) Rule 0520-01-24-.02(13), and who is entitled to attend a public school in grades K-12 in 2026-27 is eligible to apply.

## OVERVIEW of Scholarship Availability & Prioritization

If the department receives more applications for the 2026-27 school year than scholarships are available, the first priority will be given to students who are current EFS recipients at the time of application.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS for Renewal Applications

Renewals must continue to meet the requirements below:

- ☒ No more than 13 years in school and entering grades K-12
- ☒ Tennessee Residency (*two (2) documentations of proof required*)
- ☒ Student's Proof of U.S. Citizenship  
**OR** Lawful Presence in the U.S.
  - If documentation of the student's U.S. Citizenship (e.g., the student's birth certificate, the student's U.S. passport, the student's REAL ID) was provided with the 2025-26 application, nothing further is required for 2026-27.
  - If documentation of the student's lawful presence in the U.S. that was provided with the 2025-26 application has not changed, nothing further is required. If a status change has occurred, please submit two new proofs of lawful presence.

## APPLICATION WINDOW

### for Renewal Students

PLEASE NOTE: Renewal applications are the top priority for the 2026-27 academic year. Applications from current EFS recipients will be accepted from **December 9, 2025, at 12 p.m. CT, until January 30, 2026, at 4 p.m. CT.**

Applications for students not currently receiving EFS funds will be available in January 2026.

## 2026-27 Renewal Student Application Checklist

Please consider the following when preparing to complete your renewal application:

- **Completeness & Accuracy:** Only complete applications will be reviewed for scholarship eligibility. It is imperative applications have all required documentation uploaded, documentation is clear and legible, and all required fields are completed. Incomplete applications will have **one (1)** opportunity to resubmit the application with corrected documentation to demonstrate eligibility. The corrected application must be resubmitted within five (5) business days, by 4 p.m. CT on the fifth business day after email notification of incomplete status is sent. If the application is not resubmitted or the resubmission is incomplete, your application will be expired.
- **Document Uploads:** Documents are only considered within the section in which they are uploaded.
- **Documentation:** Documents must be saved and uploaded individually into the application. Each file upload should capture only a single document. Acceptable file formats include: jpg, gif, png, pdf, hevc, heic. After uploading your documents, click the magnifying glass to review them. Make sure each file is correct and displays properly before you continue.
- **Note:** Before completing a renewal application, you may be prompted to sign the 2025-26 Parent/Guardian Participation Agreement when logging in to your portal account, if you have not already.

### ALL RENEWAL APPLICATIONS must include:

#### Two (2) Proofs of Tennessee Residency Documents

**Both** documents must include the:

- 1 **Name & Current Address** listed on the application for the Parent/Guardian or Eligible Student (Please note that P.O. boxes are not allowable for proof of residency.)
- 2 **Required Date Range** from Groups I, II, or III below
- 3 **Effective dates on documents do not meet the requirement** unless they also clearly show the date the document was issued or generated. *For example, an insurance policy card that demonstrates a year-long coverage period only meets this requirement if it also includes an issuance date within the last 90 days.*

#### Tennessee Proof of Residency Approved Documentation (This is an exhaustive list.)

##### GROUP I (Only listed documents **issued within the last 90 days** – Effective dates not allowable)

- Utility Bill or Connection Notice (internet, gas, electric, water, garbage)
- Installment Loan Statement (auto, mortgage, personal, student, bank)
- Insurance Bill or Policy (homeowner's/renter's, auto, health)
- [Affidavit of Residence](#) (landlord signed & notarized)
- Fiscal Documentation (paycheck stub, bank statement)
- Agency Documentation (social security, disability, TANF, SNAP, public assistance/government benefits)
- Court Documentation

##### GROUP II (Only listed documents **issued within the last 365 days** – Effective dates not allowable)


- Rental or Mortgage Contract (deed of sale for property, mortgage contract, rental or lease agreement (signed by landlord & resident))  
**NOTE: Handwritten contracts or agreements must be notarized.**
- Tennessee Vehicle or Voter Registration
- Tax Documentation (2024 IRS tax return (Form 1040), real estate/property tax receipt)

##### GROUP III (Only the listed cards that are **Non-Expired** are accepted)

- Tennessee Identification Cards (driver's license, identification license or card, handgun carry permit)

**Documents to Demonstrate the Student’s Lawful Presence in the U.S. (if applicable)**

*If documentation of the student’s lawful presence in the U.S. that was provided with the 2025-26 application has not changed, nothing further is required. If a status change has occurred, please submit two (2) new proofs of lawful presence.*

<div><div>Two (2) Proofs of Student’s Lawful Presence in the U.S.</div><div>Be sure the name on the document(s) are <u>for the student</u> identified on the application.</div></div> <div></div>	
<div>NOTE: Applicants who are not U.S. citizens must demonstrate lawful presence in the U.S. under one of the following immigration categories, pursuant to SBE Rule 0520-01-24-.02(13):</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legal Permanent Residents</li><li>• Refugees</li><li>• Asylees</li><li>• Non-citizens granted humanitarian parole for at least one year</li><li>• Non-citizens granted withholding of removal</li><li>• Non-citizens who have been approved, or determined eligible by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), for relief under the Violence Against Women Act</li><li>• Cuban or Haitian entrants as defined in the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980</li><li>• Non-citizens who have been approved, or determined eligible by USCIS, for relief under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act</li><li>• Non-citizens residing in the U.S. in accordance with the Compacts of Free Association</li><li>• Cuban or Haitian parolees granted humanitarian parole</li></ul></div>	<div><div>At least one of the two documents must be issued by a U.S. federal immigration agency demonstrating the applicant has one of the immigration statuses listed. The other may be any form of government-issued identification, including from the applicant’s country of origin. All documents not in English must be translated.</div><div>The following are examples of acceptable documents to show immigration status:</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• U.S. Permanent Resident Card or Form I-551</li><li>• Foreign Passport stamped by the U.S. Government indicating that the holder has been “Processed for I-551”</li><li>• Permanent Resident Re-entry Permit Form I-327</li><li>• Travel Document issued to Refugees Form I-571</li><li>• Approval Notice Form I-797</li><li>• Arrival Departure Form I-94 or passport stamp</li><li>• USCIS Approval, Eligibility or Prima Facie Determination Letter</li><li>• Employment Authorization Document (EAD) Card or Form I-766</li><li>• Office of Refugee Resettlement Eligibility Letter for benefits under Trafficking Victims Protection Act</li><li>• Order from an Immigration Judge</li></ul></div></div>

**Documents must be saved and uploaded individually into the application.** Each file upload should capture only a single document. Acceptable file formats include: jpg, gif, png, pdf, hevc, heic.

*Sample types for each required documentation can be found on the following pages.*

These examples show acceptable document types and the required information needed for each. The dates shown are for example purposes only—refer to the charts on previous pages for the correct date requirements.

# EDUCATION FREEDOM

Education Freedom Scholarship (EFS) Application

## Required Proof of Documentation Samples

### Tips for All Residency Documents

- Documents must show ISSUE date, NOT due date or effective date.
- Not accepted documents include: credit card bills, cell phone bills, medical bills, insurance cards, and Explanations of Benefits (EOBs).
- Only a tax form 1040 is accepted (no Form 1098, Form W-2, tax transcripts, etc.).
- Service location on documentation must match the address on the application.
- Paycheck stubs must include a home address that matches the address on the application.
- Documents are only considered within the section in which they are uploaded.

### Examples of Proof of Tennessee Residency

#### MLGW Utility Bill

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UTILITY BILL  
Date: January 31, 2018  
Amount Due: \$ 11,700.00  
Due Date: February 16, 2018

MEMPHIS LIGHT GAS AND WATER DIVISION  
For: FLORENCE E. FORD  
Service at: 600 Dr. M. L.K., Jr Blvd, Nashville TN 37243 January 30, 2018 at 08:26 Account Number 00012-3456-7890-123

Previous Balance	Adjustments	Balance Forward
\$ 10,423.00	-0.27	10,422.73

Readings	Usage	Amount	Total
GAS 1/30/18 12/29/17	12	16.62	16.62
ELECTRIC 1/30/18 12/29/17	4335	381.92	381.92
WATER 1/30/18 12/29/17	409	750.92	750.92
OTHER MLGW 1/31/18 1/23/18	1.15	1.15	1.15
OTHER MLGW 1/31/18 1/23/18	0.31	0.31	0.31

Service: Day of Service: 32  
Average Utility Cost Per Day: \$ 39.91  
Average Temperature: 31  
Billing Cycle: 21  
Next Reading Date: February 26, 2018

Contact: Non-MLGW See back of bill  
New Service Requests 820-7878  
Transfers, Disconnects and Trouble Maintenance 544-MLGW(6549)  
Billing inquiries  
Payment Arrangements and Service Reconnects  
House: Monday-Friday 7AM- 7PM  
My Account Access Code: 111143  
Pay Online! www.mlwg.com  
Pay by Phone! 1-866-315-0277

Payment Arrangements Online at  
www.mlwg.com/payarrange  
PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 3:00 PM  
CENTRAL TIME TO POST SAME BUSINESS DAY.

Current Charges are continued on the reverse side.  
If paying in person please present both portions of bill.  
Please detach and return in the enclosed envelop with payment.

#### Tennessee Driver's License

DRIVER LICENSE

USA TN

THE VOLUNTEER STATE

DL NO. 123456789 DOB 02/11/1974  
EXP 02/11/2026 ISS 02/11/2019  
CLASS D END NONE  
REST 01  
SEX F HGT 5'-05" EYES BLU  
DD 1234567890123456 DL  
SAMPLE JANICE  
123 MAIN STREET  
APT. 1

#### Tennessee Vehicle Registration

MEMPHIS LIGHT GAS AND WATER DIVISION  
Amount Due: \$ 11,700.00  
Due Date: February 16, 2018

Account Number  
00012-3456-7890-123

FLORENCE E. FORD  
600 DR. M.L.K., JR. BLVD.  
NASHVILLE, TN 37243  
00012-3456-7890-123

Memphis Gas Light and Water Division  
P.O. Box 388  
Memphis, TN 38145

Tennessee Department of Revenue

CERTIFICATE OF VEHICLE REGISTRATION

RENEW ONLINE AT  
www.tn.gov/vehicle

Time Stamp	License No.	Class	Base Yr	Trans Code	Date of Issue	Expiration Date
09:27:27	0A00A0	1000	2022	025	1/1/2022	10/31/2022

Station No.	Title No.	Make	Model	Year	Color	Lease
WK01	CH11	CHEV	SLV	2001	PK	A

Check #	Check	CC Auth #	Voucher	Charge
00	00	00	00	00

Emission No.	Vehicle No.	County Sticker	City Sticker
1	1	P	P

County	County Clerk	Veh Use	Reg Weight
Davidson	Brenda Wynn	P	N/A

Registration Fees	Amount
Registration	26.50
Elec Vehic	.00
Credit	.00
Lease	.00
Trans	.00
Clerk	.00
Insurance	2.50
Title	.00
Lein	.00
Sales Tax	.00
S&A Tax	.00
Local Tax	.00
Admnl Tax	58.78
Crit Veh Tax	.00
City Veh Tax	.00
Organ Don	.00
Postage	.00
Credit Fee	.00
TNS Fee	.00
Total Tax	84.78
Total Fees	521.18

Owner's Phone

JOHN Q PUBLIC  
123 MAIN ST  
NASHVILLE TN 37027

T.C.A. 55-4-108 Every Certificate of Registration shall at all times be carried in the vehicle to which it refers or shall be carried by the person driving or in control of such vehicle. Renewals of registration for all vehicles (except permanent registrations) are for twelve (12) months from the current expiration date. If the current expiration date falls on Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the current registration remains valid until the next business day.

Application Instructions

1. Clean debossed area in the upper right corner of plate.
2. Remove decal by folding at edge of decal and separate from registration.
3. Rub firmly to apply decal to upper right corner of plate.
4. Keep registration with vehicle.



## Examples of Acceptable Residency Documentation

### Voter Registration

- Must confirm that the CARD PRINTED date (example highlighted in green) is within 365 days of application date.
- Name and address on card must match name/address on application.

CUT ON DASH LINE

DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED] CARD PRINTED **05/05/2025**

PRECINCT [REDACTED]

VOTING LOCATION **FFCH FIRST FAMILY BAPT CH**

2790 PULASKI HWY  
COUNTY CITY SCHOOL STATE STATE U.S.  
DISTRICT WARD DISTRICT HOUSE SENATE CONGRESS

2 2 64 28 5

DATE REGISTERED **05/05/2025** Federal or TN state government issued photo I.D. is required to vote, unless an exception applies

MAURY COUNTY, TN  
VOTER REGISTRATION CARD ID# [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] card, provided the registration has not become void.

VOTER SIGNATURE *Chris Mackinlay*  
Administrator of Elections

### Insurance

- Generated/Issue Date of document (examples highlighted in green) is required.
- Policy Period or Effective Date (examples highlighted in red) is NOT acceptable.

PROGRESSIVE  
P.O. Box 11500  
TAMPA, FL 33611  
NAC Company Code: 16322

**Policy Number:** [REDACTED]  
Underwritten by:  
Progressive Direct Insurance Co  
Tennessee  
Issue Date: **June 6, 2025**  
Customer Service: 1-800-736-4737  
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

**Verification of Insurance for**  
[REDACTED]  
This verification of insurance is not an insurance policy and does not amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded by the policies listed herein. Notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which this verification of insurance may be issued or may pertain, the insurance afforded by the policies described herein is subject to all the terms, exclusions and conditions of the policies.  
Please accept this letter as verification of insurance for this policy.

**Policy and driver information**  
Policy number: [REDACTED]  
Policy state: Tennessee  
Policy period: **May 23, 2025 - Nov 23, 2025**  
There was no lapse in coverage during this policy period.  
Effective date: **May 23, 2025**  
Driver: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED]  
Charlotte, TN 37040

**Vehicle information**  
[REDACTED]

State Farm Companies  
State Farm Indemnity  
P.O. Box 10777  
Indianapolis, IN 46216-0777

**State Farm**

Your payment of \$276.75 is due by **May 20, 2025**

**Your last bill**  
Bill # [REDACTED]  
Paid as of: April 16, 2025  
Total due: \$276.75

**Your current bill**  
Business Lines: \$276.75  
Total due: \$276.75

Thank you for being our customer  
Get your policy details on the back:  
• Policy changes/endorsements  
• Payment schedule  
• Policy terms  
• Important coverage and notes

**Payment Due Date: May 20, 2025**

Make your payment to State Farm  
Account number: [REDACTED]  
Billing address: [REDACTED]  
Phone: 615-226-1181

STATE FARM INSURANCE  
STYLUS CARD # [REDACTED]  
NORTHWESTERN 30000-0002  
10/28/14-10/28/14/10/28/14-10/28/14

Print date: 5/17/25  
Payment must be received by May 20, 2025 to avoid late fees.

For office use only: Bill Number: \$276.75 0611

**Tennessee Farmers Mutual Insurance Company**  
Corporate Headquarters  
Post Office Box 307 • Columbia, TN 38402-0067  
1.877.876.2222 • www.fbtm.com

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PRIVATE PASSENGER AUTO POLICY

**RENEWAL DECLARATION**

POLICY NUMBER: [REDACTED] POLICY PERIOD: 12:01 AM STANDARD TIME FROM 05-01-2025 TO 11-01-2025 MEMBER NUMBER: [REDACTED] AGENCY: [REDACTED] BRANCH: [REDACTED]

INSURED NAME: [REDACTED]  
DRIVERS: LISTED: [REDACTED] COVERED VEHICLES: [REDACTED] SERIAL NUMBER: [REDACTED]

The following provisions apply to your policy:  
MULTI-CAR DISCOUNT  
SAFE DRIVER DISCOUNT  
PREFERRED LOYALTY DISCOUNT

(\*) Indicates driver has Accident Forgiveness

COVERAGE	LIMITS OF LIABILITY	COVERAGE PROVIDED ONLY WHERE A PREMIUM IS SHOWN			
		UNIT 01	UNIT 02	UNIT 03	UNIT 04
A. BODILY INJURY	\$100,000 EACH PERSON				
B. PROPERTY DAMAGE	300,000 EACH ACCIDENT	54.00	46.00	54.00	
C. MEDICAL PAYMENTS	5,000 EACH PERSON	7.00	6.00	6.00	
D. UNINSURED MOTORIST BODILY INJURY	300,000 EACH PERSON	26.00	26.00	26.00	
E. UNINSURED MOTORIST PROPERTY DAMAGE	25,000 EACH ACCIDENT	25.00	25.00	25.00	
F. COMPREHENSIVE DEDUCTIBLE PREMIUM	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	ACVDED
G. COLLISION DEDUCTIBLE PREMIUM	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	\$500 DEDUCTIBLE	ACVDED
H. ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE RENEWAL FEE	\$75.00 EACH RENEWAL	2.00	2.00	2.00	
I. AUTO RENTAL EXPENSE	30 CONSECUTIVE DAYS	\$50 A DAY	\$50 A DAY	\$50 A DAY	
TOTAL BY UNIT		477.00	169.00	600.00	125.00
TOTAL POLICY TERM PREMIUM		\$1,371.00			

APPLICABLE FORMS AND ENDORSEMENTS  
FORM UNIT FORM UNIT FORM UNIT FORM UNIT FORM UNIT FORM UNIT FORM UNIT FORM UNIT  
END-10 01 END-10 02 END-10 03 END-26 04 END-29 04

OFFICE: MAURY - THETA PIKE  
AGENT: KEITH KELLY  
PO BOX 1079  
COLUMBIA TN 38402-1079  
PHONE: (615) 388-4377

COVERAGE IS CONDITIONED UPON YOUR BANK HONORING PAYMENT WHEN PRESENTED. A RETURN FEE WILL APPLY FOR PAYMENTS NOT HONORED.  
**04-03-2025 DATE**

### Mortgage Statement

- Issued/Statement Date of document (example highlighted in green) is required.
- Payment Due Date (example highlighted in red) is NOT acceptable.

**PNC BANK**  
P.O. Box 1820  
Dayton, Ohio 45401-1820

7-749-19410-0017862-002-1-000-100-000-000

**Mortgage Statement**  
Statement Date: **04/30/2025**

Customer Service: 1-800-822-5626

Account Number: [REDACTED]  
**Payment Due Date: 05/01/2025**  
Amount Due: [REDACTED]

If payment is received after 05/16/2025, a \$137.69 late fee will be charged.

## Examples of Lawful Presence in the United States

### Form I-94, Arrival/Departure Record

Class of Admission must be for: *Asylee, Parolee or Parole, Refugee, Asylum, HP-humanitarian parolee or public interest parolee (PIP).*

**U.S. Customs and Border Protection**  
Securing America's Borders

Get I-94 Number I-94 FAQ

**Admission (I-94) Number Retrieval**

Admission (I-94) Record Number: 61234567890 **I-94 Number**

Admit Until Date (MM/DD/YYYY): 10/10/2012 **Expiration Date**

Details provided on Admission(I-94) form:

Family Name: ADAMS **Last Name**

First (Given) Name: JOHN **First Name**

Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY): 01/01/1990

Passport Number: P123123213

Passport Country of Issuance: Mexico **Issuance Date**

Date of Entry (MM/DD/YYYY): 04/11/2012

Class of Admission: **Category / Class of Admission**

**I-94 Number**

Departure Number: 000000000 11

**Category / Class of Admission**

Issuance Date

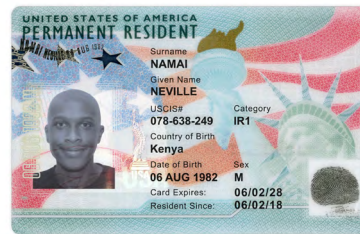
**Last Name**

**First Name**

Expiration Date

See Other Side STAPLE HERE

### U.S. Permanent Resident Card



### Permanent Resident Re-entry Permit



### Office of Refugee Resettlement Eligibility Letter for benefits under Trafficking Victims Protection Act

AUG 4 2015

**CHILDREN & FAMILIES**  
Office of Refugee Resettlement

Eligibility Letter

Cathleen Charline Houston  
2001 Lakeside Street  
Houston, TX 77060-3433

Dear Cathleen:

This letter confirms that under section 10705(b)(1) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2005, you are eligible for benefits and services under any Federal or State program or activity funded or administered by any Federal agency for the same reason as individuals who are admitted to the United States as a refugee under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, provided you meet other eligibility criteria. This letter does not constitute an immigration status.

Your eligibility date is the date of your admission to the United States. The benefits outlined in the previous paragraph may only be used for a limited time period that starts from the date of this eligibility letter. Therefore, if you wish to seek assistance, it is important that you seek services as soon as possible after receipt of this letter.

You should present this letter when you apply for benefits or services. Beneficiaries are required to call the toll-free tolling assistance line at 1-800-451-1515 in the Office of Refugee Resettlement to verify the validity of this document and to inform them of the benefits for which you have applied.

You must notify this office of your current mailing address. Please send a card and signed letter with any change of address to Trafficking Program Specialist, Office of Refugee Resettlement, P.O. Box 200, 2001 Lakeside Street, Houston, TX 77060-3433. We will send all notices to your current mailing address, and any notices mailed to your former mailing address constitute no longer service. You may also want to share this same information with your local law enforcement agency.

Robert Carey  
Chief, Office of Refugee Resettlement

### Form I-797 Establishment of Prima Facie Case for VAWA Petition

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
I-797 / NOTICE OF ACTION

Receipt Number: [Redacted]  
Priority Date: April 11, 2017  
Notice Date: June 12, 2017

Case Type: Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er) or Special Immigrant (Form I-360)  
Petitioner: [Redacted]  
Applicant: [Redacted]

Section: Self-Petitioning Spouse of U.S.C. or L.P.R.  
ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIMA FACIE CASE

ATIN ALFREDO SYDRA BQ  
BQRI COZANZA & CARRERA LLP  
9191 BROADWAY  
MERIDALEVILLE IN 46410

The above petition has been reviewed and found to establish a prima facie case for classification under the self-petitioning provisions of the Violence Against Women Act.

THIS PRIMA FACIE DETERMINATION IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF 180 DAYS FROM THE NOTICE DATE SHOWN ABOVE, AND EXPIRES ON THE DATE INDICATED AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE.

We will send you a written notice as soon as we make a decision on this case. It is not expected that a final decision will be made in this case before the end of 180 days. If this period is coming to a close and you need an extension of this prima facie determination in order to continue receiving public benefits, please submit a written request for extension at least 15 days prior to expiration.

A COPY OF THIS NOTICE MUST ACCOMPANY ANY REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF THIS DETERMINATION.

PLEASE NOTE: ESTABLISHING A PRIMA FACIE CASE FOR CLASSIFICATION UNDER THE SELF-PETITIONING PROVISIONS OF THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT YOUR PETITION WILL BE APPROVED.

EXPIRATION DATE: December 11, 2017.

UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES  
VERMONT SERVICE CENTER  
75 LOWER WILSON STREET  
ST. ALBANS, VT 05479

### Prima Facie Determination Letter for VAWA

October 5, 2018

U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services  
St. Albans, VT 05479

**PRIMA FACIE DETERMINATION**

Petitioner: [Redacted]  
Beneficiary: [Redacted]

The above petition has been reviewed and found to establish a prima facie case for classification under the self-petitioning provisions of the Violence Against Women Act.

THIS PRIMA FACIE DETERMINATION IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM THE NOTICE DATE SHOWN ABOVE, AND EXPIRES ON THE DATE INDICATED BELOW.

EXPIRATION DATE: October 5, 2019

### I-797 Approval Notice for T Nonimmigrant Status

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
I-797 / NOTICE OF ACTION

Receipt Number: [Redacted]  
Priority Date: April 11, 2017  
Notice Date: June 12, 2017

Case Type: Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er) or Special Immigrant (Form I-360)  
Petitioner: [Redacted]  
Applicant: [Redacted]

Section: Self-Petitioning Spouse of U.S.C. or L.P.R.  
ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIMA FACIE CASE

ATIN ALFREDO SYDRA BQ  
BQRI COZANZA & CARRERA LLP  
9191 BROADWAY  
MERIDALEVILLE IN 46410

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UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES  
VERMONT SERVICE CENTER  
75 LOWER WILSON STREET  
ST. ALBANS, VT 05479

### Photos not included:

- Foreign Passport stamped by the U.S. Government indicating that the holder has been "Processed for I-551"
- Travel Document issued to Refugees (I-571)