

# DACA: Deferred Action for Child Arrivals

[Deferred action for childhood arrivals (DACA) allows undocumented individuals, who meet specific guidelines, to request deferred action and obtain work authorization. If you receive deferred action, you will not be placed in removal proceedings or removed from the United States for three years. "Deferred" means delayed or postponed –Deferred action does NOT provide lawful status.

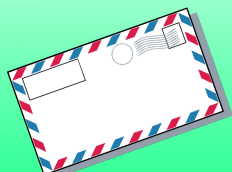
## Am I eligible? (criteria as of Feb. 18, 2015)

- I came to the United States before my sixteenth birthday; and
- I continuously lived in the U.S. since January 1, 2010; and
- I graduated and obtained a certificate of completion from high school, or have obtained a general education development (GED) certificate, or currently am in school on the date of application OR am an honorably discharged veteran of the Armed Forces; and
- I do not have lawful immigrant status and have not had status since June 15, 2012. If I had lawful immigrant status, it must have expired on or before June 15, 2012; and
- I have not been convicted of a felony, significant misdemeanor, or three or more misdemeanors, and do not pose a threat to national security or public safety; (USCIS will perform a criminal background check)
- I was physically present in the United States on June 15, 2012, and at the time of making my request for deferred action.



### Your Application Packet:

- **I-821D; and**
- **I-765; and**
- **I-765WS; and**
- **Check for \$465 (fee); and**
- **Eligibility documents**



### Documents that may prove eligibility:

- Passport or national identity document from country of origin;
- Birth certificate with photo identification;
- School or military ID with photo;
- Any U.S. government immigration document bearing your name and photo.
- Employment records (paystubs, W-2 forms, etc.)
- School records (report cards or letters from school)
- Military records (Form DD-214 or NGB Form 22)
- Medical records (hospitals or doctor's office)
- Rent receipts or utility bills

