

Access to State-Funded<sup>a</sup> Public Benefits in Alaska for Survivors,  
Based on Immigration Status<sup>b</sup>

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	<i>Qualified Immigrant<sup>d</sup></i>		<i>HHS Certification</i>	<i>Lawfully Present</i>			<i>Limited Benefits Eligibility<sup>10</sup></i>	
TANF (Cash Assistance)	VAWA: Eligible with prima facie determination, <sup>11</sup> subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>12</sup>	<u>Refugee/Asylee</u> : Eligible for TANF regardless of date of entry. <sup>18</sup>  <u>T visa</u> : with HHS certification or	Human trafficking victims eligible: with HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with HHS eligibility	Not eligible. <sup>26</sup>	Eligible after receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>27</sup>	Eligible after receiving lawful permanency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>30</sup>	No federal eligibility. <sup>33</sup>	Not eligible. <sup>34</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Federally funded public benefits are in non-italicized typeface and *state-funded public benefits are italicized*.

<sup>b</sup> The chart shows eligibility based on immigration status. Applicants must also meet all other program eligibility requirements, such as income/resource limits. Children and other family members included in an individual’s immigration application receive the same access to public benefits as the applicant. When children qualify for federal or state public benefits, immigrant parents can file child-only benefits applications on their children’s behalf. Congress exempted from the public charge ground of inadmissibility immigrant victims applying for immigration relief and lawful permanent residency through the following immigration benefits programs: VAWA self-petitioning (as defined in footnote “d”), VAWA cancellation of removal, VAWA suspension of deportation, U visas, and T visas. For technical assistance on benefits access for immigrant survivors please contact the National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project, American University, Washington College of Law (202) 274-4457 or [info@niwap.org](mailto:info@niwap.org). NIWAP would like to thank Michelle Aronowitz and Dean’s Fellows Alexandra Brown and Sandeep Purewal for their work in developing these state public benefits charts.

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<sup>d</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(a)-(c) (Qualified immigrants are: **lawful permanent residents (LPRs)**(For up-to-date details on LPR benefits eligibility see National Immigrant Law Center, Table 1, Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs (March 2023) [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/) and NIWAP’s Public Benefits Map <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/benefits-map>); refugees; asylees; persons granted withholding of deportation/removal, conditional entry (as in effect prior to Apr. 1, 1980), humanitarian parolee; Cuban/Haitian entrants; and certain battered immigrants. A battered immigrant is someone who: (1)(a) has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty in the U.S. by a U.S. citizen or LPR spouse, parent or step-parent or member of the spouse/parent/step-parent’s family residing in the same household as the immigrant and the spouse/parent/step-parent consented to or acquiesced in such battery or cruelty, and there is a substantial connection between the battery or cruelty and the need for the public benefits, and (b) has been approved or has a petition or self-petition pending which sets forth a prima facie case for certain immigrant visa classifications, suspension of deportation, or cancellation of removal; or (2) is a victim of trafficking or a family member of a trafficking victim who has been granted T visa status or whose T visa application sets forth a prima facie case.). For discussion of prima facie determinations by immigration judges in suspension of deportation and cancellation of removal cases for battered immigrants, see OFFICE OF THE CHIEF IMMIGRATION JUDGE, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, OPERATING POLICY AND PROCEDURE MEMORANDUM 97-9; MOTIONS FOR “PRIMA FACIE” DETERMINATION AND VERIFICATION REQUESTS FOR BATTERED SPOUSES AND CHILDREN, <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/prima-facie-verification-requests/> (last visited Mar. 2, 2018).

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TANF	<p>(After the first 12 months may be subject to deeming).<sup>13</sup></p> <p>Lawful permanent residents: Eligible subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996<sup>14</sup> (may be subject to deeming).<sup>15</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens: Eligible without restrictions.<sup>16</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, VAWA self-petitioners with prima facie determinations are eligible for Alaska's state funded General Relief Assistance (GRA). GRA is designed be a last resort to meet basic needs in emergencies. Funds are available to cover basic needs that cannot be met by other programs or agencies for basic needs including payments for shelter, utilities, food, clothing and burial.</i><sup>17</sup></p>	<p>eligibility determination, eligible under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000 to the same extent as refugees.<sup>19</sup></p> <p>At the state's discretion, <u>T visa holders or applicants</u> eligible as qualified immigrants with prima facie (bona fide) determination, subject to five-year bar for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>20</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, eligible for Alaska's state funded General Relief Assistance (GRA). GRA is designed be a last resort to meet basic needs in emergencies. Funds are available to cover basic needs that cannot be met by other programs or agencies for basic needs including payments for</i></p>	<p>determination (under 18).<sup>22</sup></p> <p>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus are eligible regardless of date of entry.<sup>23</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status are eligible without HHS certification or determination; they are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus eligible regardless of date of entry.<sup>24</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, after receiving HHS certification or eligibility letter eligible for Alaska's state funded General Relief Assistance (GRA). GRA is designed be a last resort to meet basic emergency needs.. Funds are available to cover basic needs that cannot be met by other programs or agencies for basic needs including payments for shelter, utilities, food, clothing and burial.</i><sup>25</sup></p>		<p>(may be subject to deeming).<sup>28</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, after receiving lawful permanent residency eligible for Alaska's state funded General Relief Assistance (GRA). GRA is designed be a last resort to meet basic needs in emergencies. Funds are available to cover basic needs that cannot be met by other programs or agencies for basic needs including payments for shelter, utilities, food, clothing and burial.</i><sup>29</sup></p>	<p>(may be subject to deeming).<sup>31</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, U visa holders and lawful permanent residents are eligible for Alaska's state funded General Relief Assistance (GRA). GRA is designed be a last resort to meet basic needs in emergencies. Funds are available to cover basic needs that cannot be met by other programs or agencies for basic needs including payments for shelter, utilities, food, clothing and burial.</i><sup>32</sup></p>		

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TANF		<i>shelter, utilities, food, clothing and burial.</i> <sup>21</sup>						
Child Care	<p>Children with prima facie determination and child lawful permanent residents are qualified immigrants eligible for Child Care Development Fund (CCDF)-funded child care.<sup>35</sup></p> <p>TANF-funded childcare subject to five-year bar for immigrants who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>36</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens: Eligible without restrictions.<sup>37</sup></p>	<p>Children who are <u>asylees or refugees</u> are eligible for CCDF-funded child care and TANF-funded child care.<sup>38</sup></p> <p><u>T visa</u>: Eligible for CCDF-funded child care and TANF-funded child care under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees.<sup>39</sup></p> <p>Children who are T visa holders or applicants with prima facie (bona fide) determination are eligible for CCDF-funded child care.<sup>40</sup> They are also eligible for TANF-funded childcare subject to five-year bar for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>41</sup></p>	<p>Human trafficking victims with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or an HHS eligibility determination (under 18) are eligible for CCDF-funded child care and TANF-funded child care.<sup>42</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status eligible for CCDF-funded child care and TANF-funded child care, no need for HHS Certification or eligibility determination.<sup>43</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:</p> <p>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Child care is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>45</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent residency, eligible as for CCDF-funded child care.<sup>46</sup></p> <p>Also eligible for TANF-funded child care subject to five-year bar</p>	<p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:</p> <p>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Childcare is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>45</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent</p>	<p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:</p> <p>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Childcare is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>48</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent</p>	<p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:</p> <p>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Child care is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>52</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for CCDF-funded child care open to all immigrants, when:</p> <p>(1) Child care is provided in settings subject to public educational standards, including public or private pre-kindergarten or public and private child care provided after school or during school holidays;</p> <p>(2) Child care is subject to Head Start performance standards; or</p> <p>(3) Eligibility for child care services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization.<sup>52</sup></p>

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Child Care				determined by a nonprofit charitable organization. <sup>44</sup>	for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>47</sup>	residency, eligible as for CCDF-funded child care. <sup>49</sup> Also eligible for TANF-funded child care subject to five-year bar for those who entered on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>50</sup>	services is determined by a nonprofit charitable organization. <sup>51</sup>	
SNAP (Food Stamps) <sup>53</sup>	<p>Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residency, subject to an additional condition, e.g.: five years residency, younger than 18, elderly (if lawfully residing in the U.S. on 8/22/96), disabled, or if Lawful Permanent Resident with 40 quarters of work credit.<sup>54</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens: Eligible without restrictions.<sup>55</sup></p>	<p><u>Refugee/Asylee:</u> Eligible with no additional conditions.<sup>56</sup></p> <p><u>T visa:</u> Eligible with prima facie (bona fide) determination on T visa application, subject to an additional condition (e.g., five-years residency, under 18, elderly, or disabled).<sup>57</sup> Also eligible under the Trafficking Victims Protection Act to the same extent as refugees.<sup>58</sup></p>	<p>Human trafficking victims are eligible: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18).<sup>59</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status eligible without HHS certification or eligibility determination.<sup>60</sup></p> <p>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus are eligible with no additional conditions.<sup>61</sup></p>	Not eligible.	Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to an additional condition, <sup>62</sup> e.g.: under 18, <sup>63</sup> five years residency, <sup>64</sup> 40 qualifying work quarters, <sup>65</sup> or disabled. <sup>66</sup>	Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to an additional condition, <sup>67</sup> e.g.: under 18, <sup>68</sup> five years residency, <sup>69</sup> 40 qualifying work quarters, <sup>70</sup> elderly, <sup>71</sup> or disabled. <sup>72</sup>	Not eligible.	Not eligible.
The Special Supplemental Nutrition	The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) provides Federal grants to States for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum women, and to infants and children up to age five who are found to be at nutritional risk, without regard to immigration status or naturalized citizenship. <sup>73</sup> Applicants must live in the state in which they apply, but are not required to live there for a certain amount of time in order to meet the WIC							

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<b>Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)</b>	<p>residency requirement.<sup>74</sup> Applicants must also have an income at or below an income level or standard set by the State agency or be determined automatically income-eligible based on participation in certain programs (TANF, SNAP benefits, Medicaid).<sup>75</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, applicants should call the WIC clinic closest to them to schedule an appointment. <sup>76</sup>In Alaska, the income eligibility guidelines for parents, grandparents, or foster parents applying for children is set according to household size.<sup>77</sup></i></p>							
<b>Purchase Health Insurance on Exchanges<sup>e</sup></b>	<p>Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination,<sup>78</sup> as a lawful permanent resident,<sup>79</sup> or naturalized citizen.<sup>80</sup></p>	<p><u>Refugee</u>: Eligible.<sup>81</sup></p> <p><u>Asylee</u>: Eligible; applicants eligible if granted work authorization; applicants under 14 eligible if application pending at least 180 days.<sup>82</sup></p> <p><u>T visa</u>: Eligible with prima facie (bona fide) determination on T visa application.<sup>83</sup></p>	<p>Human trafficking victims eligible: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application), or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18).<sup>84</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status eligible without HHS certification or eligibility determination.<sup>85</sup></p> <p>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and thus are eligible regardless of date of entry.<sup>86</sup></p>	Not eligible. <sup>87</sup>	Eligible upon filing SIJS application. <sup>88</sup>	Eligible upon U visa, bona fide determination, <sup>89</sup> or wait list approval. <sup>90</sup>	Not eligible. <sup>91</sup>	Not eligible. <sup>92</sup>

<sup>e</sup> Under the Affordable Care Act, in “mixed status” households, each family member may have different eligibility for exchanges and subsidies. Nat’l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Frequently Asked Questions: The Affordable Care Act & Mixed-Status Families* (Dec. 2014), available at <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/FAQ-ACA-and-mixed-status-families-2014-12-1.pdf>.

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Child Health Insurance Program (CHIP) <sup>93</sup>	<p>Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residence if arrived prior to August 22, 1996 and subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>94</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens eligible.<sup>95</sup></p> <p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration or citizenship status.<sup>96</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, VAAs with prima facie determinations and all lawful permanent residents during the five-year bar eligible for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i><sup>97</sup></p>	<p><u>Refugee/Asylee</u>: Eligible, exempt from five-year bar.<sup>98</sup></p> <p><u>T visa</u>: with HHS certification or eligibility determination, immediately eligible under the Victims of Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees.<sup>99</sup></p> <p><u>T visa holders and T visa applicants</u> with prima facie (bona fide) determinations eligible as qualified immigrants, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>100</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, certain Afghans and Ukrainians, T visa holders, and T visa applicants with bona fide determinations are eligible without a 5 year bar for chronic and acute medical</i></p>	<p>Human trafficking victims are eligible with an HHS certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or eligibility determination (under 18).<sup>102</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status are eligible without HHS Certification or eligibility determination.<sup>103</sup></p> <p>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and are exempt from five-year bar.<sup>104</sup></p> <p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>105</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, T visa applicants are eligible as persons residing under color of law for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness,</i></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>107</sup></p>	<p>Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>108</sup></p> <p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>109</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, upon filing the SIJS application or receiving lawful permanent residency eligible as persons residing under color of law for without a five-year bar for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i><sup>110</sup></p>	<p>If entered prior to August 22, 1996, eligible upon attaining lawful permanent residency.<sup>111</sup></p> <p>If arrived on or after August 22, 1996, eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, but subject to five-year bar.<sup>112</sup></p> <p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>113</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, as a U visa a U visa applicant with a bona fide determination, a U visa holder, and a U visa lawful permanent resident are eligible without a 5 year bar for chronic</i></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>115</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, a U visa applicant is a person residing under color of law are eligible without a 5 year bar for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i><sup>116</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>117</sup></p>



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CHIP		<i>assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>101</sup>	<i>hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>106</sup>			<i>and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>114</sup>		
Full-Scope Medicaid <sup>118</sup>	<p>Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residence if arrived prior to August 22, 1996 and subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>119</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens eligible.<sup>120</sup></p> <p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>121</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, upon VAWAs with prima facie determinations and all lawful permanent residents during the</i></p>	<p><u>Refugee/Asylee</u>: Eligible, exempt from five-year bar.<sup>123</sup></p> <p><u>T visa</u> : with HHS certification or eligibility determination, immediately eligible under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees.<sup>124</sup></p> <p><u>T visa holders and T visa applicants</u> with prima facie (bona fide) determinations eligible as qualified immigrants, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived</p>	<p>Human trafficking victims are eligible with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or eligibility determination (under 18).<sup>127</sup></p> <p>Family members with T visa status eligible without HHS Certification or eligibility determination, exempt from five-year bar.<sup>128</sup></p> <p>These human trafficking victims are eligible to the same extent as refugees and are exempt from five-year bar.<sup>129</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>132</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>133</sup></p> <p>Eligible after receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996.<sup>134</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, upon filing the SIJS application or receiving lawful permanent residency eligible as persons residing under color of law for without a five-year bar for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a</i></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>136</sup></p> <p>If entered prior to August 22, 1996, eligible upon attaining lawful permanent residency.<sup>137</sup></p> <p>If arrived on or after August 22, 1996, eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency, subject to five-year bar.<sup>138</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>140</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, a U visa applicant is a person residing under color of law are eligible without a 5 year bar for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness,</i></p>	<p>Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status.<sup>142</sup></p>

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<b>Full-Scope Medicaid</b>	<i>five-year bar eligible for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>122</sup>	on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>125</sup>  <i>In Alaska, certain Afghans and Ukrainians, T visa holders, and T visa applicants with bona fide determinations are eligible without a 5 year bar for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>126</sup>	Eligible for emergency Medicaid regardless of immigration status. <sup>130</sup>  <i>In Alaska, T visa applicants are eligible as persons residing under color of law for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>131</sup>		<i>diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>135</sup>	<i>In Alaska, as a U visa a U visa applicant with a bona fide determination, a U visa holder, and a U visa lawful permanent resident are eligible without a 5 year bar for chronic and acute medical assistance if they have a terminal illness, cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>139</sup>	<i>cancer, diabetes, seizure disorders, mental illness, hypertension, or certain other medical conditions.</i> <sup>141</sup>	
<b>Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)</b>	The Victims of Crime Act provides compensation to crime victims for costs associated with the crime victimization. Costs covered by VOCA include compensation for medical bills, lost wages, counseling sessions, crime scene clean up, and reimbursement for many other expenses. VOCA compensation is available to crime victims without regard to immigration status or naturalized citizenship. <sup>143</sup>							
<b>Family Medical Leave Act – State Law</b>	Alaska has no state Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Federal FMLA law applies. <sup>144</sup>							
<b>Education-Federal Benefits: Federal Student</b>	VAWAs with prima facie determinations and all lawful	Refugees, Asylees, and T visa holders or T visa applicants with prima facie (bona fide)	Human trafficking victims eligible: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a	Not eligible for federal student aid. <sup>150</sup>	Eligible for federal student aid upon receipt of lawful permanent residency. <sup>151</sup>	Eligible for federal student aid upon receipt of lawful	Not eligible for federal student aid.	Not eligible for federal student aid.



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Aid, Grants and Loans <sup>145</sup> (FAFSA)	permanent residents, eligible. <sup>146</sup>  Naturalized citizens, eligible. <sup>147</sup>	determination, an HHS Certification or eligibility letter are eligible for federal student aid. <sup>148</sup>	bona fide determination on a T visa application), or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18), and family members with T visa status, are eligible for federal student aid. <sup>149</sup>			permanent residency. <sup>152</sup>		
Education-State Law	All children, without regard to immigration status or citizenship are eligible to attend public elementary and secondary (K-12) schools. State schools may not request citizenship or immigration status information and may not bar students from enrolling in public elementary or secondary schools based on the citizenship or immigration status of the student, their parent or their guardian. <sup>153</sup> Eligible to apply for and enroll in state funded colleges and universities without regard to immigration status. <sup>154</sup>  <i>In Alaska “eligible noncitizens” (which should include refugees, asylees, lawful permanent residents, T visa holders, T visa applicants with bona fide determinations, VAWA self-petitioners and other qualified immigrants) are eligible for resident tuition if they have resided in the state for at least 2 years or if the students received a State of Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend within the last 12 months and certify that they have been in Alaska for the past 12 months.</i> <sup>155</sup>							
Supplemental Security Income (SSI) <sup>156</sup>	Eligible with VAWA prima facie determination or lawful permanent residence if received SSI on August 22, 1996, or lawfully residing in the U.S. as of that date and now disabled. <sup>157</sup> May also be eligible with a prima facie determination if currently receiving SSI based on an application filed before 1979. <sup>158</sup>  Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency if credited with 40 quarters of	<u>Refugees/Asylees:</u> Eligible during first seven years after the status was granted. <sup>162</sup>  <u>Trafficking victims:</u> Eligible under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 to the same extent as refugees. <sup>163</sup>  <u>T visa</u> <sup>164</sup> : Eligible as a qualified immigrant with prima facie (bona fide) determination on T visa application if receiving SSI on	Human trafficking victims: with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18), or family members with T visa status (no need for HHS certification or eligibility determination) are eligible to the same extent as refugees. <sup>168</sup>	Not eligible.	Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency if credited with 40 quarters of work, <sup>169</sup> subject to five-year bar, for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>170</sup>	Eligible upon receiving lawful permanent residency if: credited with 40 quarters of work <sup>171</sup> subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996; or if receiving SSI as of August 22, 1996; or if lawfully residing in U.S. as of that date and now disabled. <sup>172</sup> Lawful permanent residents may also	Not eligible. <sup>174</sup>	Not eligible. <sup>175</sup>

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SSI	work, <sup>159</sup> subject to five-year bar for those who arrived on or after August 22, 1996. <sup>160</sup>  Naturalized citizens eligible. <sup>161</sup>	August 22, 1996, or lawfully residing in the U.S. as of that date and now disabled. <sup>165</sup> May also be eligible with a prima facie determination if currently receiving SSI based on an application filed before 1979. <sup>166</sup> This eligibility allows trafficking victims who are disabled to continue to receive SSI after the 7-years. <sup>167</sup>				be eligible if currently receiving SSI based on an application filed before 1979. <sup>173</sup>		
Professional & Occupational Licensure	No state laws or policies regarding immigrant access to professional or occupational licenses including whether or not work authorization is sufficient or required.							
Driver's License <sup>176</sup>	<p>Under the REAL ID Act, evidence of "lawful status" or naturalized citizenship is required for a driver's license to be accepted by a federal agency for official purposes.<sup>177</sup> The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), by regulation, lists specific documents that will provide satisfactory evidence of lawful status.<sup>178</sup> All documentation for REAL ID compliant IDs will be submitted through the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements Program (S.A.V.E.).<sup>179</sup> DHS will also approve acceptance of other documentation issued by DHS or other Federal agencies demonstrating lawful status, as determined by USCIS.<sup>180</sup> In addition, DHS permits states to establish an "Exception Process" and consider "Alternative Documents."<sup>181</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, an application for the original driver's license requires proof of the applicant's date of birth and lawful status in the U.S. and one form of identification to verify the applicant's full legal name. If the applicant's license has been expired for more than a year, then the applicant must take vision and knowledge tests. Applicants must submit:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Proof of date of birth and full legal name including one of the following:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Employment authorization document</b><sup>182</sup>, Valid foreign passport with the appropriate USCIS forms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>The stage in the immigration application process at which most immigrant crime victims will receive full a state issued driver's license is upon receipt of employment authorization.</i><sup>183</sup></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Proof of social security number</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Applicants must present a valid social security number or documents from the United States Social Security Administration showing ineligibility for a social security number.</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <i>Proof of applicant's principal residence</i><sup>184</sup></li> </ul>						Not eligible.	

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<b>Housing, Health and Other Services Necessary to Protect Life and Safety Emergency Shelter</b>	<p>Certain federally assisted programs providing services necessary to protect life or safety must make those services available without regard to immigration status or naturalized citizenship and may not withhold those services based on immigration status.<sup>185</sup> Programs considered necessary for the protection of life or safety include, but are not limited to: short term shelter or transitional housing for the homeless, or for victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence, or human trafficking, or for runaway, abused or abandoned children; crisis counseling and intervention programs; services and assistance relating to victims of domestic violence or other criminal activity, child protection, adult protective services, or violence and abuse prevention; soup kitchens, community food banks, senior nutrition programs and other nutritional programs for persons requiring special assistance (e.g., WIC); medical and public health services (including federally qualified health centers); mental health, disability, or substance abuse assistance necessary to protect life or safety; activities designed to protect the life or safety of workers, children and youths, or community residents; programs to help individuals during periods of adverse weather conditions.<sup>186</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation administers the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and provides street outreach, shelter, and rapid re-housing services to the homeless, and homelessness prevention services to those at risk of homelessness.</i><sup>187</sup></p>							
<b>Public and Assisted<sup>188</sup> Housing,<sup>189</sup> and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Housing<sup>190</sup></b>	<p>Upon filing VAWA self-petition, applicant cannot be denied HUD public or assisted housing unless and until a final determination of ineligibility.<sup>193</sup></p> <p>USDA rental housing follows HUD procedures for processing VAWA self-petitions,<sup>194</sup> so should be eligible for all USDA rental housing unless and until a final determination of ineligibility. Regardless of immigration status, eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing (without Rental Assistance),<sup>195</sup> and USDA Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if</p>	<p><u>Refugee/Asylee, T visa holder or T visa applicant</u> with prima facie (bona fide) determination eligible for:</p> <p>HUD public and assisted housing;<sup>205</sup> USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing;<sup>206</sup> USDA Section 521 Rural Rental Assistance;<sup>207</sup> USDA Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member<sup>208</sup> or remaining household member<sup>209</sup> of eligible domestic farm laborer. Upon receiving lawful permanent residency USDA Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing.<sup>210</sup></p>	<p>Human trafficking victims with an HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application), or with an HHS eligibility determination (under 18), and family members with T visa status (no need for HHS certification or eligibility determination),<sup>212</sup> are eligible for: HUD public and assisted housing<sup>213</sup> and USDA rental housing.<sup>214</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.</i><sup>215</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing,<sup>216</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>217</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.</i><sup>218</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing,<sup>219</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>220</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent residency,<sup>221</sup> eligible for HUD<sup>222</sup> and USDA<sup>223</sup> rental housing.<sup>224</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.</i><sup>225</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing,<sup>226</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>227</sup></p> <p>Upon receiving lawful permanent residency,<sup>228</sup> eligible for HUD<sup>229</sup> and USDA<sup>230</sup> rental housing.<sup>231</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.</i><sup>232</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing,<sup>233</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>234</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.</i><sup>235</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for USDA Section 515 Rural Rental Housing,<sup>236</sup> and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing if immediate family member of eligible domestic farm laborer.<sup>237</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.</i><sup>238</sup></p>

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<p><b>Public and Assisted Housing,<sup>191</sup> and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Housing<sup>192</sup></b></p>	<p>immediate family member of eligible tenant.<sup>196</sup></p> <p>Upon filing self-VAWA self-petition, remaining household member of eligible domestic farm laborer eligible to continue to occupy USDA Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing unit.<sup>197</sup></p> <p>Lawful permanent residents are eligible for public and assisted housing<sup>198</sup> and for USDA Section 514/516 Farm Lab or Housing;<sup>199</sup> USDA Section 521 Rural Rental Assistance.<sup>200</sup></p> <p>Naturalized citizens are eligible for public and assisted housing,<sup>201</sup> USDA Section 514/516 Farm Lab or Housing,<sup>202</sup> USDA Section 521 Rural Rental Assistance.<sup>203</sup></p> <p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.<sup>204</sup></i></p>	<p><i>In Alaska, may be eligible to live in Low Income Tax Credit property.<sup>211</sup></i></p>						

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<b>Income Tax Credits</b>	<p><u>Child Tax Credit:</u> Immigrants with social security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs) who care for dependent children under the age of 17 are eligible to claim a child tax credit on their income taxes.<sup>239</sup> A qualifying child must be a citizen, national, or resident of the U.S with an SSN or an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).<sup>240</sup> Immigrants eligible to receive social security numbers include naturalized citizens, lawful permanent residents, refugees, asylees, and VAWA self-petitioners, T visa applicants with bona fide determinations, and wait-list approved U visa applicants once they are granted work authorization. Any immigrant without regard to immigration status can obtain an ITIN.<sup>241</sup></p> <p><u>Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit:</u> Immigrants with social security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs) can claim a child or dependent care tax credit on their income taxes when they care for—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A dependent child under the age of 13,</li> <li>• A spouse who is unable to physically or mentally care for themselves, or</li> <li>• An individual who is unable to care for themselves, mentally or physically who has lived with the taxpayer for at least six months.<sup>242</sup></li> </ul> <p>The child or dependent must have a social security number or ITIN.<sup>243</sup> Immigrants eligible to receive social security numbers include lawful permanent residents, refugees, asylees, and VAWA self-petitioners, T visa applicants with bona fide determinations and wait-list approved U visa applicants once they are granted work authorization. Any immigrant without regard to immigration status can obtain an ITIN.<sup>244</sup></p>							
<b>Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)</b>	VAWA self-petitioners, lawful permanent residents, and naturalized citizens who <sup>245</sup> : have been granted work authorization or who are granted lawful permanent residency, have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>246</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>247</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>248</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>249</sup>	Refugees, asylees, asylum applicants, and T visa holders with work authorization or lawful permanent residency who: have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>250</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>251</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>252</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>253</sup>	Recipients of T visa bona fide determinations or continued presence who: are granted work authorization, have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>254</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>255</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>256</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>257</sup>	DACA applicants who: are granted work authorization, have lived in the U.S. for at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>258</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>259</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>260</sup> are eligible for the earned income	SIJS recipients granted lawful permanent residency who: have lived in the U.S. at least 183 days during the tax year, <sup>262</sup> have a social security number valid for work, <sup>263</sup> and have earned income during the tax year <sup>264</sup> are eligible for the earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>265</sup>	Once granted lawful permanent residency <sup>266</sup> or work authorization U visa holders and U visa applicants with deferred action (based on bona fide determinations or wait-list approval) who have lived in the U.S. for six months, <sup>267</sup> who have a social security number valid for work, <sup>268</sup> and who are earning income are eligible for the	Not eligible.	Not eligible.

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EITC				tax credit (EITC). <sup>261</sup>		earned income tax credit (EITC). <sup>269</sup>		
Legal Services <sup>270</sup>	<p>An immigrant who (or whose child) is battered or subjected to extreme cruelty<sup>271</sup> is eligible for legal assistance from Legal Services Corporation (LSC)-funded agencies<sup>272</sup> on matters related to the abuse.<sup>273</sup></p> <p>Eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles upon receiving lawful permanent resident status,<sup>274</sup> or spouses, parents, and unmarried children under age 21 of U.S. citizens<sup>275</sup> become eligible for full representation on any matter upon filing an application for lawful permanent residency.<sup>276</sup></p> <p>Lawful permanent residents, applicants for lawful permanent</p>	<p><u>Refugee/Asylee:</u> Refugees and Asylees are eligible for legal assistance on any matter the Legal Services Corporation (LSC)-funded agency handles.<sup>283</sup></p> <p><u>T visa:</u> An immigrant who has been (or whose child has been) a victim of trafficking in the U.S., including a T visa holder,<sup>284</sup> is eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles.<sup>285</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>286</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>287</sup> or dating violence.<sup>288</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>289</sup></p>	<p>An immigrant victim of severe forms of human trafficking with (or seeking) HHS Certification,<sup>290</sup> and family members with (or applying for) T visa status,<sup>291</sup> are eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles.</p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>292</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>293</sup> or dating violence.<sup>294</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>295</sup></p>	<p>A DACA recipient who is (or whose child is) battered or subjected to extreme cruelty,<sup>296</sup> or is a victim of sexual assault or trafficking in the U.S.,<sup>297</sup> is eligible for legal services from LSC-funded agencies<sup>298</sup> on matters related to the abuse.<sup>299</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>300</sup> for victims of domestic violence,</p>	<p>Eligible for LSC-funded legal assistance when the child has suffered battering or extreme cruelty,<sup>304</sup> or sexual assault or trafficking in the U.S.,<sup>305</sup> on matters related to the abuse.<sup>306</sup></p> <p>Eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles upon receiving LPR status,<sup>307</sup> or, for the spouse, parent or unmarried child under 21 of a U.S. citizen, upon filing an application for LPR status.<sup>308</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>309</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>310</sup> or dating violence.<sup>311</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>312</sup></p>	<p>An immigrant who has (or whose child has) been granted, applied for, or qualifies to apply for U visa status and a family member eligible to apply for U visa status<sup>313</sup> is eligible for legal assistance from Legal Services Corporation (LSC)-funded agencies<sup>314</sup> on matters related to the crime victimization.<sup>315</sup></p> <p>Eligible for legal assistance on any matter the LSC-funded agency handles upon receiving LPR status,<sup>316</sup> or, for the spouse, parent or unmarried child under 21 of a U.S.</p>	<p>An immigrant who has (or whose child has) applied for, or qualifies to apply for U visa status and a family member eligible to apply for U visa status<sup>322</sup> is eligible for legal assistance from Legal Services Corporation (LSC)-funded agencies<sup>323</sup> on matters related to the crime victimization.<sup>324</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence</p>	<p>An immigrant victim who is (or whose child is), battered or subjected to extreme cruelty,<sup>329</sup> or is a victim of sexual assault or trafficking in the U.S.,<sup>330</sup> is eligible for legal services from LSC-funded agencies<sup>331</sup> on matters related to the abuse.<sup>332</sup> Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>333</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>334</sup> or dating violence.<sup>335</sup> Must</p>



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<b>Legal Services</b>	<p>residency,<sup>277</sup> and naturalized citizens<sup>278</sup> are eligible for full representation.</p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>279</sup> as a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>280</sup> or dating violence.<sup>281</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>282</sup></p>			<p>sexual assault, stalking<sup>301</sup> or dating violence.<sup>302</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>303</sup></p>		<p>citizen, upon filing an application for LPR status.<sup>317</sup></p> <p>Eligible for Office of Violence Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>318</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>319</sup> or dating violence.<sup>320</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>321</sup></p>	<p>Against Women funded Legal Assistance<sup>325</sup> for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking<sup>326</sup> or dating violence.<sup>327</sup> Must be at least 11 years old.<sup>328</sup></p>	<p>be at least 11 years old.<sup>336</sup></p>
<b>Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)</b>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>337</sup></p> <p>Eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-family weatherization assistance upon receipt of VAWA prima facie determination, lawful permanent residence, or</p>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>339</sup></p> <p>Refugees, asylees, T visa holders, and T visa applicants with prima facie (bona fide) determination eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-</p>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings without, regard to immigration status.<sup>341</sup></p> <p>Human trafficking victims with HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with HHS eligibility determination (under 18), are considered refugees and thus are eligible for LIHEAP</p>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>343</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>344</sup></p> <p>Eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-family weatherization assistance upon receiving lawful permanent residency.<sup>345</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings without, regard to immigration status.<sup>346</sup></p> <p>Eligible for LIHEAP heating/cooling assistance and single-family weatherization assistance upon</p>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>348</sup></p>	<p>Eligible for weatherization assistance (WAP) for families living in multi-unit dwellings, without regard to immigration status.<sup>349</sup></p>

	VAWA Self-Petitioner and Battered Spouse Waivers, <sup>1</sup> Lawful Permanent Residents, and Naturalized Citizens	Refugees, Asylees, T Visas <sup>2</sup> Afghans, <sup>3</sup> Ukrainians <sup>4</sup>	T Visa <sup>5</sup> / Continued Presence <sup>6</sup>	Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) <sup>7</sup>	Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) <sup>8</sup>	U Visa, bona fide, or wait list approval. <sup>9</sup>	U Visa Applicants	Undocumented
<b>WAP and LIHEAP</b>	naturalized citizenship. <sup>338</sup>	family weatherization assistance. <sup>340</sup>	heating/cooling and single-family weatherization assistance. <sup>342</sup>			receiving lawful permanent residency. <sup>347</sup>		
<b>Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance<sup>350</sup></b>	Eligible for certain FEMA provided emergency services that are available to all victims regardless of their immigration status or naturalized citizenship. These services are short term, non-cash, in-kind emergency disaster relief, including: search and rescue, emergency medical care, mass care and shelter, resources for essential needs such as food, water and medicine, and reduction of immediate threats to life, property, public health and safety. <sup>351</sup>  D-SNAP, which provides temporary food assistance for households affected by a natural disaster, may be available for households that are not normally eligible for SNAP benefits. <sup>352</sup>							
<b>Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-Restricted Programs<sup>353</sup></b>	Upon receipt of VAWA prima facie determination, lawful permanent residence, or naturalized citizenship: <sup>354</sup>  Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>355</sup>  Eligible for Emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), subject to five-year bar, unless under 18, or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving	FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA): open to <u>Refugees, Asylees, T visa applicants</u> with prima facie (bona fide) determination. <sup>357</sup>  Emergency SNAP open to <u>Refugees/Asylees</u> (no five-year bar), <sup>358</sup> and <u>T visa applicants</u> with prima facie (bona fide) determination, subject to five-year bar, unless under 18, or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-	Human trafficking victims eligible: with HHS Certification (based on continued presence or a bona fide determination on a T visa application) or with HHS eligibility determination (under 18) or family members with T visa status (no need for HHS certification or eligibility determination). <sup>360</sup>  These human trafficking victims are considered refugees and thus are eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individual and Households Program (IHP), Disaster Unemployment Assistance	Not eligible.	Upon receiving lawful permanent residency: Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>362</sup>  Eligible for Emergency SNAP, subject to five-year bar, unless under 18 years of age; can be credited with 40 quarters of work earned by the individual, parents, or spouse; or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related	Upon receiving lawful permanent residency: Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>364</sup>  Eligible for Emergency SNAP, subject to five-year bar, unless under 18 years of age; can be credited with 40 quarters of work earned by the individual, parents,	Upon receiving lawful permanent residency: Eligible for FEMA Assistance Programs, Individuals and Households Program (IHP), and Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). <sup>366</sup>  Eligible for Emergency SNAP, subject to five-year bar, unless under 18 years of	Not eligible. <sup>368</sup>

	VAWA Self-Petitioner and Battered Spouse Waivers, <sup>1</sup> Lawful Permanent Residents, and Naturalized Citizens	Refugees, Asylees, T Visas <sup>2</sup> Afghans, <sup>3</sup> Ukrainians <sup>4</sup>	T Visa <sup>5</sup> / Continued Presence <sup>6</sup>	Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) <sup>7</sup>	Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) <sup>8</sup>	U Visa, bona fide, or wait list approval. <sup>9</sup>	U Visa Applicants	Undocumented
<b>FEMA-Restricted Programs</b>	disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>356</sup>	related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>359</sup>	(DUA), and Emergency SNAP. <sup>361</sup>		benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>363</sup>	or spouse; or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>365</sup>	age; can be credited with 40 quarters of work earned by the individual, parents, or spouse; or lawfully residing on August 22, 1996 and either receiving disability-related benefits or born before Aug. 22, 1931. <sup>367</sup>	
<b>Unemployment Insurance<sup>369</sup></b>	Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization, lawful permanent residence, or citizenship. <sup>370</sup>	<u>Refugee:</u> Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>371</sup> <u>Asylee:</u> Eligible for UI upon grant receipt of work authorization. <sup>372</sup> <u>T Visa:</u> Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>373</sup>	Eligible for UI upon receipt of HHS certification or eligibility letter and work authorization. <sup>374</sup>	Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>375</sup>	Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>376</sup>	Eligible for UI upon receipt of work authorization. <sup>377</sup>	Not eligible. <sup>378</sup>	Not eligible. <sup>379</sup>

<sup>1</sup> VAWA self-petitioner for public benefits purposes includes: VAWA self-petitioners, battered spouse waiver applicants, applicants for relief under VAWA Cuban Adjustment Act (“VAWA CAA”), VAWA Haitian Refugee Immigration and Fairness Act (“VAWA HRIFA”), VAWA Nicaraguan and Central American Relief Act (“VAWA NACARA”), VAWA cancellation of removal, VAWA suspension of deportation, and battered spouses and children with approved I-130 visa applications filed by their abusive citizen spouse, parent or step-parent. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(51). Battered Spouse Waiver (BSW) applicants/recipients have the same eligibility for public benefits purposes

as VAWA self-petitioners. BWS victims are eligible either as conditional permanent residents if they still have that status and/or are or continue to be eligible once they file their battered spouse waiver application. Battered spouse waiver applicants have greater benefits access than conditional and lawful permanent residents because they have access to exemptions from deeming and have access to benefits that are only available to battered immigrants.

<sup>2</sup> See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4) (Asylees, Refugees, and trafficking victims and family members of trafficking victims with T visa status or a pending T visa application setting forth a “prima facie” (bona facie) case for eligibility); Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for “T” Nonimmigrant Status, 81 Fed. Reg. 92266, 92279, 92304, 92307 (Dec. 19, 2016) (effective Jan. 18, 2017) (to be codified at 8 C.F.E. pts. 212, 214, 245, 274) (Prima facie/bona fide determinations on T visa applications are made by the Department of Homeland Security.).

<sup>3</sup> Afghans granted humanitarian parole between July 31, 2021, and September 30, 2023 – and their spouses and children, and parents or guardians of unaccompanied children granted parole after September 30, 2022 – also are eligible for federal benefits to the same extent as refugees. Off. Of Refugee Resettlement, Admin. For Child. And Fams., U.S. Dep’t of Health and Hum. Servs., Fact Sheet: benefits for Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) Holders or SQ/SI Parolees (last visited November 29, 2023) <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/orr/fact-sheet/benefits-afghan-and-iraqi-special-immigrant-visa-siv-holders-or-sq/si-parolees>. See The Admin. For Child. And Fams., Office of Refugee Resettlement Policy Letters on Public Benefits for Afghan Refugees (November 29, 2023) <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/orr-policy-letters-afghan-refugees> (Contains HHS Policy Letters and Fact Sheets regarding Afghan Refugees).

<sup>4</sup> Ukrainians paroled into the U.S. between February 24, 2022, and September 30, 2023 – and their spouses and children, and parents, guardians or primary caregivers of unaccompanied children paroled into the U.S. after September 30, 2023 – are eligible for federal benefits to the same extent as refugees. Department of Homeland Security, President Biden to Announce Uniting For Ukraine, a New Streamlined Process to Welcome Ukrainians Fleeing the Russian Invasion of Ukraine. (April 21, 2022) <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2022/04/21/president-biden-announce-uniting-ukraine-new-streamlined-process-welcome-ukrainians>; See The Administration for Children and Families Office of Refugee Resettlement Policy Letters on Public Benefits for Ukrainian Refugees (November 29, 2023) <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/orr-policy-letters-ukrainian-refugees> (Contains HHS Policy Letters and Fact Sheets regarding Ukrainian Refugees).

<sup>5</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1) (Bona fide T visa applicants with HHS certification, trafficking victims under 18 with HHS eligibility determination, and family members with T visa status are eligible for public benefits to the same extent as refugees.); Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for “T” Nonimmigrant Status, 81 Fed. Reg. 92266, 92278 (Dec. 19, 2016) (effective Jan. 18, 2017) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pts. 212, 214, 245, 274); New Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for “T” Nonimmigrant Status, 67 Fed. Reg. 4784, 4789-91 (Jan. 31, 2002) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pt. 103), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/federal-register-new-classification/>.

<sup>6</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1)(E)(i)(II)(bb) (Immigrants with HHS certification that their continued presence is needed to effectuate prosecution of human traffickers are eligible to receive public benefits to the same extent as refugees.); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>.

<sup>7</sup> See DACA, NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR. (last visited Mar. 2, 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/daca/> (DACA is “deferred action” for certain undocumented youth who came to the United States as children.).

<sup>8</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(27)(j) (Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) allows certain youth immigrant survivors of abuse, abandonment, and/or neglect by a parent to obtain legal immigration status.).

<sup>9</sup> See CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR “LAWFULLY RESIDING” CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN 2 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/> (Upon receipt of deferred action U visa applicants are considered lawfully present.). U visa applicants receive deferred action which provides formal protection from deportation when they receive a bona fide determination or wait-list approval from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). See, NIWAP, New DHS U Visa Bona Fide Policy Provides Earlier Access Deferred Action and Work Authorization To Applicants and NIWAP New Study Provides Evidence-Based Support for These New DHS Policies (June 14, 2021) <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/transforming-lives-study-21>.

<sup>10</sup> State benefits agencies are only allowed to ask for immigration status and social security number information for the family members who is the applicant for the benefit. See NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Privacy Protections in Selected Federal Benefits Programs* (Feb. 21, 2018) <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/privacy-protections-fed-programs-tbl-2018.pdf> (providing guidelines on what information a State may request from a parent applying on behalf of a child applicant); see also Anna Pohl, Hema Sarangapani, Amanda Baran, and Cecilia Olavarria, *Chapter 4.3: Barriers to Accessing Services: The Importance of Advocates Accompanying Battered Immigrants Applying for Public Benefits* (Jul. 10, 2013), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch4-3-importance-advocates>; see also *Policy Guidance Regarding Inquiries Into Citizenship, Immigration Status and Social Security Numbers In State Applications For Medicaid, State Children’s Health Insurance Program (Schip), Temporary Assistance For Needy*

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<sup>11</sup> Battered Spouse Waiver victims are VAWA self-petitioners as defined in INA § 101(a)(51). To be eligible for a battered spouse waiver the victim must be a battered immigrant spouse of a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident who filed an immigration case on the battered spouse's behalf through which the immigrant spouse was granted conditional permanent residency. Most battered spouse waiver applicants will have conditional permanent residency at the time they file their battered spouse waiver application. Their public benefits eligibility is based either on their conditional permanent residency or on their battered spouse waiver application. It is important to note that after an abused immigrant spouse files their battered spouse waiver application, they become eligible for VAWA self-petitioning related deeming exceptions and eligible for state funded public benefits to the same extent as all other VAWA self-petitioners in states that grant self-petitioners access to state funded public benefits.

<sup>12</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 2* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf); see 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>13</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1631(f) (Qualified immigrants who have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by a spouse, a parent or a member of the spouse's or parent's family are exempt from deeming for 12 months. The exemption from deeming may be extended if the battered immigrant obtains an order from a judge or a ruling from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security recognizing the battering or extreme cruelty the immigrant victim suffered.) (Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status and Eligibility Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Att'y Gen. Order No. 2129-97, 62 Fed. Reg. 61,344, at 61,371 (Nov. 17, 1997)), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/1997-doj-interim-guidance-benefits/>. See Catherine Longville and Leslye Orloff, *Public Benefits: What is "Deeming" and What Are its Exceptions*, (January 13, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/deeming-fact-sheet/>. *Applicability of Public Charge and Deeming Rules to Immigrant Survivors and Their Children Eligible for Healthcare Subsidies*, in NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (April 9, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/public-charge-deeming/>

<sup>14</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4<sup>th</sup> ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2023), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

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<sup>16</sup> Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance, Q & A: Immigrants (August 20, 2019) <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/faq/q-immigrants>. ("Q2: Does the five-year bar for certain newly arrived qualified aliens apply to all federally-funded TANF benefits (e.g., including benefits that do not meet the definition of assistance)? A service that is only available to the financially needy would not meet the AG criteria and could be provided only to otherwise eligible citizens and qualified aliens." TANF is such a program.)

<sup>17</sup> *General Relief Assistance (GRA)*, ALASKA DEP'T OF HEALTH & SOC. SERVS., <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/gra/default.aspx> (last visited Mar. 30, 2022); See also *Eligibility Factors*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7, § 47.130, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.47.130> (last visited June 26, 2018). The eligibility factors section did not include a definition of legal alien. The Alaska code does provide a definition of lawful immigration status that by the text of the code is a definition that is limited to the state's TANF program (Alaska Temporary Assistance Program). Immigrants who meet this TANF definition will also qualify for GRA. For purposes of TANF an immigrant with lawful immigration status is defined as a qualified immigrant under 8 U.S.C. § 1641. However the language used in the state TANF statute "Lawful immigration status" is narrower than the statutory language used in the GRA statute "legal alien". Thus, both qualified immigrants (e.g. VAWA self-petitioners, refugees, asylees, T visa bona fide, lawful permanent residents) and other legal immigrants (e.g. U visa holders, work visa holders, student visa holders) could qualify for GRA. The five-year bars that apply to TANF are not imposed on GRA. *Citizenship or legal alien status*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7 § 45.215, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.45.149> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>18</sup> 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(A)(ii); 1613(b)(1). Federal eligibility for refugees and asylees extends for the first five years after attaining that status. However, if they have attained lawful permanent resident status with 40 qualifying work quarters, they will already have satisfied the five-year bar for eligibility as an LPR by the time their refugee/asylee benefit period for TANF ends. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(B). Or, they may be eligible as a veteran and/or member of a veteran's family, for which neither the five-year bar nor the five-year time limit applies. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). Or, in some states their eligibility as a refugee or asylee continues past this five-year limit. *States can also*



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continue to provide benefits once the mandated five year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). Since refugees, asylees and trafficking victims with continued presence or who are T visa applicants are not required under U.S. immigration laws to have a sponsor, they are not subject to sponsor deeming. See OFFICE OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *TANF-ACF-PI-2003-03 (Deeming of Sponsor's Income and Resources to A Non-Citizen)* (April 17, 2003), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/policy/pi-ofa/2003/pi2003-2htm-0>.

<sup>19</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1); *Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for "T" Nonimmigrant Status*, 81 Fed. Reg. 92266, 92278 (Dec. 19, 2016) (effective Jan. 18, 2017) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pts. 212, 214, 245, 274); *New Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for "T" Nonimmigrant Status*, 67 Fed. Reg. 4784, 4789-91 (Jan. 31, 2002) (to be codified at 8 C.F.R. pt. 103), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/federal-register-new-classification/>. TANF benefits for refugees are available without a five-year waiting period, but are limited to five years. However, if the refugee attains lawful permanent resident status with 40 qualifying work quarters, they will already have satisfied the five-year bar for eligibility as a lawful permanent resident by the time their refugee/asylee benefit period for TANF ends. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(B). Or, they may be eligible as a veteran and/or member of a veteran's family, for which neither the five-year bar nor the five-year time limit applies. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). Or, in some states their eligibility as a refugee or asylee continues past this five-year limit. See NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). Since refugees, asylees and trafficking victims with continued presence or who are T visa applicants are not required under U.S. immigration laws to have a sponsor, they are not subject to sponsor deeming. See OFFICE OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *TANF-ACF-PI-2003-03 (Deeming of Sponsor's Income and Resources to A Non-Citizen)* (April 17, 2003), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/policy/pi-ofa/2003/pi2003-2htm-0>.

<sup>20</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4). An applicant with a military connection is eligible as a matter of federal law, without the five-year bar. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). Federal law does not require states to impose the five-year time limit to trafficking victim eligibility as a qualified immigrant. Since refugees, asylees and trafficking victims with continued presence or who are T visa applicants are not required under U.S. immigration laws to have a sponsor, they are not subject to sponsor deeming. See OFFICE OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *TANF-ACF-PI-2003-03 (Deeming of Sponsor's Income and Resources to A Non-Citizen)* (April 17, 2003), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/policy/pi-ofa/2003/pi2003-2htm-0>.

<sup>21</sup> *General Relief Assistance (GRA)*, ALASKA DEP'T OF HEALTH & SOC. SERVS., <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/gra/default.aspx> (last visited Mar. 30, 2022); See also *Eligibility Factors*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7, § 47.130, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.47.130> (last visited June 26, 2018). The eligibility factors section did not include a definition of legal alien. The Alaska code does provide a definition of lawful immigration status that by the text of the code is a definition that is limited to the state's TANF program (Alaska Temporary Assistance Program). Immigrants who meet this TANF definition will also qualify for GRA. For purposes of TANF an immigrant with lawful immigration status is defined as a qualified immigrant under 8 U.S.C. § 1641. However the language used in the state TANF statute "Lawful immigration status" is narrower than the statutory language used in the GRA statute "legal alien". Thus, both qualified immigrants (e.g. VAWA self-petitioners, refugees, asylees, T visa bona fide, lawful permanent residents) and other legal immigrants (e.g. U visa holders, work visa holders, student visa holders) could qualify for GRA. The five-year bars that apply to TANF are not imposed on GRA. *Citizenship or legal alien status*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7 § 45.215, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.45.149> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>22</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>23</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)). Since refugees, asylees and trafficking victims with continued presence or who are T visa applicants are not required under U.S. immigration laws to have a sponsor, they are not subject to sponsor deeming. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/policy/pi-ofa/2003/pi2003-2htm-0>

<sup>24</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).

<sup>25</sup> *General Relief Assistance (GRA)*, ALASKA DEP'T OF HEALTH & SOC. SERVS., <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/gra/default.aspx> (last visited Mar. 30, 2022); See also *Eligibility Factors*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7, § 47.130, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.47.130> (last visited June 26, 2018). The eligibility factors section did not include a definition of legal alien. The Alaska code does provide a definition of lawful immigration status that by the text of the code is a definition that is limited to the state's TANF program (Alaska



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Temporary Assistance Program). Immigrants who meet this TANF definition will also qualify for GRA. For purposes of TANF an immigrant with lawful immigration status is defined as a qualified immigrant under 8 U.S.C. §1641. However the language used in the state TANF statute “Lawful immigration status” is narrower than the statutory language used in the GRA statute “legal alien”. Thus, both qualified immigrants (e.g. VAWA self-petitioners, refugees, asylees, T visa bona fide, lawful permanent residents) and other legal immigrants (e.g. U visa holders, work visa holders, student visa holders) could qualify for GRA. The five-year bars that apply to TANF are not imposed on GRA. *Citizenship or legal alien status*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7 § 45.215, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.45.149> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>26</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 2* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf).

<sup>27</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1). SIJS applicant with a military connection is eligible without five-year bar. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2).

<sup>28</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1631(f) (Qualified immigrants who have been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by a spouse, a parent or a member of the spouse’s or parent’s family are exempt from deeming for 12 months. The exemption from deeming may be extended if the battered immigrant obtains an order from a judge or a ruling from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security recognizing the battering or extreme cruelty the immigrant victim suffered.) (Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status and Eligibility Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Att’y Gen. Order No. 2129-97, 62 Fed. Reg. 61,344, at 61,371 (Nov. 17, 1997)). <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/1997-doj-interim-guidance-benefits/> See Catherine Longville and Leslye Orloff, *Public Benefits: What is “Deeming” and What Are its Exceptions*, (January 13, 2015), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/deeming-fact-sheet/>; *Applicability of Public Charge and Deeming Rules to Immigrant Survivors and Their Children Eligible for Healthcare Subsidies*, in NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (April 9, 2015),

<http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/public-charge-deeming/>. Qualified immigrants may also be exempt from deeming when they naturalize, when they can show they are credited with 40 qualifying quarters of work, when they qualify for the up to 12 month exception for indigence, or have another form of immigration status does not require sponsorship. See 8 U.S.C. § 1631; DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERVS., OFF. OF FAM. ASSISTANCE, *TANF-ACF-PI-2003-03 (Deeming of Sponsor’s Income and Resources To A Non-Citizen)*, (2003), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/policy/pi-ofa/2003/pi2003-2htm-0>

<sup>29</sup> *General Relief Assistance (GRA)*, ALASKA DEP’T OF HEALTH & SOC. SERVS., <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/gra/default.aspx> (last visited Mar. 30, 2022); See also *Eligibility Factors*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7, § 47.130, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.47.130> (last visited June 26, 2018). The eligibility factors section did not include a definition of legal alien. The Alaska code does provide a definition of lawful immigration status that by the text of the code is a definition that is limited to the state’s TANF program (Alaska Temporary Assistance Program). Immigrants who meet this TANF definition will also qualify for GRA. For purposes of TANF an immigrant with lawful immigration status is defined as a qualified immigrant under 8 U.S.C. § 1641. However the language used in the state TANF statute “Lawful immigration status” is narrower than the statutory language used in the GRA statute “legal alien”. Thus, both qualified immigrants (e.g. VAWA self-petitioners, refugees, asylees, T visa bona fide, lawful permanent residents) and other legal immigrants (e.g. U visa holders, work visa holders, student visa holders) could qualify for GRA. The five-year bars that apply to TANF are not imposed on GRA. *Citizenship or legal alien status*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7 § 45.215, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.45.149> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>30</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

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<sup>32</sup> *General Relief Assistance (GRA)*, ALASKA DEP’T OF HEALTH & SOC. SERVS., <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/gra/default.aspx> (last visited Mar. 30, 2022); See also *Eligibadministrative Factors*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 7, § 47.130, <http://www.akleg.gov/basis/aac.asp#7.47.130> (last visited June 26, 2018). The eligibility factors section did

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<sup>33</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 2* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf).

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<sup>36</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>37</sup> Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance, Q & A: Immigrants (August 20, 2019) <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/faq/q-immigrants>. (Q2: Does the five-year bar for certain newly arrived qualified aliens apply to all federally-funded TANF benefits (e.g., including benefits that do not meet the definition of assistance)? "A service that is only available to the financially needy would not meet the AG criteria and could be provided only to otherwise eligible citizens and qualified aliens." TANF is such a program.)

<sup>38</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2)-(3). NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).

<sup>39</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1); NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).

<sup>40</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4). NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).

<sup>41</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4). NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).

<sup>42</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf). See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>43</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf); Benish Anver & Leslye E. Orloff, *Immigrant Crime Victim Child Care Access*, NAT'L IMMIGRATION WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Mar. 13, 2013), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-chart-childcare/>; OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).

<sup>44</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 117 (Childcare)* (revised May 2006), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).

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<sup>47</sup> 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(A)(ii); Eligibility is based on the citizenship or immigration status of the child. The immigration status of the child's parent or parents is not relevant to this determination. **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**, Verification of Citizenship and Immigration Status by Non-Profit Organizations and Head Start Grantees, in OFFICE OF CHILD CARE (May 2, 2008), <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/pi-2008-01>. NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 116, 117 (4th ed. 2002, rev. 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf). See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>48</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 117 (Childcare)* (revised May 2006), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare\\_pp116-17\\_053106.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/childcare_pp116-17_053106.pdf).

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<sup>53</sup> See FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) (2017), <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/eligibility> (As with most public benefits, to obtain food stamps, individuals must also meet resource, income, and employment requirements. There is a pre-screening tool to determine if an individual might be eligible for nutrition assistance.); See also *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (In general, non-citizens who have lived in the U.S. for 5 years or more, are blind or disabled, are under the age of 18, were admitted for lawful permanent residence with 40 qualifying quarters or are lawfully residing and are on active duty in the U.S. Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard or honorably discharged are eligible.)

<sup>54</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018); See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); See also 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(1)-1612(a)(2). Battered immigrants are not subject to deeming for at least 12 months, with the possibility of extension. See *Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 31, available at [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf) (last accessed Apr. 12, 2019).

<sup>55</sup> *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 4, [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf) (last accessed Mar. 13, 2019). [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf).

<sup>56</sup> See 8 USC §1612(a)(2)(A) and (L). Directly eligible for SNAP as refugees and asylees for seven years. However, they retain eligibility past the seven years since they will have transitioned into qualified immigrant status, with indefinite eligibility for SNAP, after five years. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2)-(3). See also Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar.



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2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2)-(3). See also *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 31, [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf) (last accessed Mar. 13, 2019). [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf)

<sup>57</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4); NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).

<sup>58</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018); See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>59</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018);. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>60</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).

<sup>61</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b). Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification). See NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).

<sup>62</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).

<sup>63</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).

<sup>64</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). Five-year residency includes time in qualified status prior to turning 18. When SIJS children become qualified immigrants, they may be exempt from deeming when they naturalize, or if they can show they are credited with 40 qualifying quarters of work, or if they are eligible for a 12 month exception for indigence, or have another form of immigration status does not require sponsorship. 8 U.S.C. § 1631; *Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Guidance on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, at 31-33, [https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen\\_Guidance\\_063011.pdf](https://fns-prod.azureedge.net/sites/default/files/snap/Non-Citizen_Guidance_063011.pdf) (last accessed Mar. 13, 2019).

<sup>65</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Although eligibility based on 40 work quarters includes work performed by applicant, spouse, and parents while the applicant was under 18, SIJS youth are generally not able to satisfy this condition.)

<sup>66</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). May be subject to deeming.

<sup>67</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018).

<sup>68</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Eligible children are exempt from sponsor deeming.)

<sup>69</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Five-year residency includes time in qualified status prior to turning 18.). May be subject to deeming.

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<sup>70</sup> See *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Although eligibility based on 40 work quarters includes work performed by applicant, spouse, and parents while the applicant was under 18, SIJS youth are generally not able to satisfy this condition.)

<sup>71</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). (Born on or before August 22, 1931 and lawfully resided in the U.S. on August 22, 1996.). May be subject to deeming.

<sup>72</sup> *SNAP Policy on Non-Citizen Eligibility*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC., SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/snap-policy-non-citizen-eligibility> (last accessed Oct. 24, 2018). May be subject to deeming.

<sup>73</sup> 42 U.S.C.S. § 1786; *Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC. FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., <https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/women-infants-and-children-wic> (last visited June 14, 2018).

<sup>74</sup> *WIC Contacts*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC. FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., <https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/wic-contacts> (last visited June 14, 2018).

<sup>75</sup> *WIC Eligibility Requirements*, U.S. DEP'T OF AGRIC. FOOD & NUTRITION SERV., <https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/wic-eligibility-requirements> (last visited June 14, 2018).

<sup>76</sup> *How Do I Apply for WIC?*, ALASKA DEP'T OF HEALTH & SOC. SERVS., <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/nutri/wic/participants/wichowtoapply.aspx> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>77</sup> *WIC Income Eligibility Guidelines*, ALASKA DEP'T OF HEALTH & SOC. SERVS., <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/nutri/wic/participants/wicincomeguidelines.aspx> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>78</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); HealthCare.gov, *Immigrants, Immigration status to qualify for Marketplace*, HEALTHCARE.GOV (last visited November 29, 2023)

<https://www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/immigration-status/> (Listing immigrants with which immigration statuses are legally able to use the Marketplace); See NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>.

<sup>79</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); HealthCare.gov, *Immigrants, Immigration status to qualify for Marketplace*, HEALTHCARE.GOV (last visited November 29, 2023)

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<sup>80</sup> HealthCare.gov, *Immigrants, Coverage for U.S. Citizens and U.S. Nationals*, HEALTHCARE.GOV (last visited November 29, 2023),

<https://www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/immigration-status/>; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>81</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 2 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2).

<sup>82</sup> Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR "LAWFULLY RESIDING" CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN 3* (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(3); 45 C.F.R. § 152.2(5) (2017) ("A pending applicant for asylum under section 208(a) of the INA (8 U.S.C. § 1158) or for withholding of removal under section 241(b)(3) of the INA (8 U.S.C. § 1231) or under the Convention Against Torture who has been granted employment authorization, and such an applicant under the age of 14 who has had an application pending for at least 180 days.")

<sup>83</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

<sup>84</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>85</sup> OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., *OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1* (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).

<sup>86</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>87</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 1, 1 n.4, 4-5 n.8 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf> (DACA recipients are the only deferred action recipients not eligible for insurance under the ACA.).

<sup>88</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>.

<sup>89</sup> U visa bona fide determinations come with deferred action which is protection from deportation and which makes U visa applicants eligible for health care as lawfully residing immigrant. Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR "LAWFULLY RESIDING" CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN 3 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/>.

<sup>90</sup> Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR "LAWFULLY RESIDING" CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN 3 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/>; Carly Erickson & Leslye E. Orloff, *U-Visa Victim Benefits under the Affordable Care Act (ACA)*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (June 18, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/u-visa-healthcare-aca/>.

<sup>91</sup> Carly Erickson & Leslye E. Orloff, *U-Visa Victim Benefits under the Affordable Care Act (ACA)*, NAT'L IMMIGR. WOMEN'S ADVOC. PROJECT (June 18, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/u-visa-healthcare-aca/>; NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5-6 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>.

<sup>92</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 1 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf> (DACA coverage limited to those "lawfully present" in the United States).

<sup>93</sup> Details on health care subsidies included in footnotes.

<sup>94</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 2* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf); see 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>95</sup> Healthcare.gov, Immigrants, Coverage for U.S. Citizens and U.S. Nationals (last visited November 29, 2023) <https://www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/immigration-status/>. NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., "LAWFULLY PRESENT" INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT 5 (2012, rev. 2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/lawfully-present-imm-categories-ACA-2016-07.pdf>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>96</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 2* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf).

<sup>97</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 3: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States* (Aug. 2017), available at <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>. STATE OF ALASKA, *Chronic and Acute Medical Assistance Manual Section 920-3* [http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/cama/cama.htm#t=920\\_eligibility\\_factors.htm](http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/cama/cama.htm#t=920_eligibility_factors.htm) (Last visited Apr. 15, 2024). ("To be eligible for CAMA, an individual must be a U.S. citizen or legal alien. Unlike Medicaid / Denali KidCare, CAMA recognizes an individual who is "permanently residing under the color of law" (PRUCOL) as a legal alien. A legal alien who has been in the U.S. for less than five years and who is currently subject to the five year bar on Medicaid may be eligible for CAMA if the applicant meets all other CAMA requirements.")

<sup>98</sup> 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(A); 1613. Federal eligibility for Medicaid for refugees and asylees extends for the first seven years after attaining that status; however, in most states their eligibility can continue past this seven-year limitation, since by seven years they may have become lawful permanent residents with 40 qualifying quarters of work credit and will have satisfied the five-year bar to access to Medicaid. See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(b)(2)(B). Or, they may be a veteran and/or a member of a veteran's family, for whom the five-year bar and seven-year limit do not apply. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated seven-year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See also Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrvw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrvw_fedprogs/). See state law citations in this chart to identify if this state provides benefits for asylees and refugees beyond the seven-year limitation.

<sup>99</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1). Human trafficking victims with HHS certification or an HHS determination letter are eligible as refugees for 7 years. To continue to receive benefits once 7 years has passed since they received their HHS certification or HHS determination letter, they will need to file for and be granted a T visa. This allows them to continue to qualify for public benefits as qualified immigrants. So long as the trafficking victim files for a T visa soon after receiving HHS certification or determination, they should gain qualified immigrant status and the 5-year bar will be completed prior to reaching the 7-year limit on refugee benefits. States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated seven-year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See also Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrvw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrvw_fedprogs/). See state law citations in this chart to identify if this state provides benefits for asylees and refugees beyond the seven-year limitation.

<sup>100</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).



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<sup>101</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 3: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States* (Jan. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/med-services-for-imms-in-states-Jan\\_2024.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/med-services-for-imms-in-states-Jan_2024.pdf). STATE OF ALASKA, *Chronic and Acute Medical Assistance Manual Section 920-3* [http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/cama/cama.htm#t=920\\_eligibility\\_factors.htm](http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/cama/cama.htm#t=920_eligibility_factors.htm) (Last visited Apr. 15, 2024). (“To be eligible for CAMA, an individual must be a U.S. citizen or legal alien. Unlike Medicaid / Denali KidCare, CAMA recognizes an individual who is “permanently residing under the color of law” (PRUCOL) as a legal alien. A legal alien who has been in the U.S. for less than five years and who is currently subject to the five year bar on Medicaid may be eligible for CAMA if the applicant meets all other CAMA requirements.”)

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<sup>114</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 3: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States* (Aug. 2017), available at <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/med-services-for-imms-in-states.pdf>. STATE OF ALASKA, *Chronic and Acute Medical Assistance Manual Section 920-3*

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<sup>121</sup> 42 C.R.F. § 435.406(2)(i); 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); HealthCare.gov, Coverage for lawfully present immigrants, Immigrants and Medicaid & CHIP (Last visited November 29, 2023) <https://www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/lawfully-present-immigrants/>; National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 2* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf).

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<sup>123</sup> 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(A); 1613. Federal eligibility for Medicaid for refugees and asylees extends for the first seven years after attaining that status; however, in most states their eligibility can continue past this seven-year limitation, since by seven years they may have become lawful permanent residents with 40 qualifying quarters of work credit and will have satisfied the five-year bar to access to Medicaid. See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(b)(2)(B). Or, they may be a veteran and/or a member of a veteran’s family, for whom the five-year bar and seven-year limit do not apply. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(b)(2)(C), 1613(b)(2). States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated seven-year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See also Nat’l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs in Guide to Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 17, 17-20* (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrvw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrvw_fedprogs/). See state law citations in this chart to identify if this state provides benefits for asylees and refugees beyond the seven-year limitation.

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<sup>141</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 3: Medical Assistance Programs for Immigrants in Various States* (Jan. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/med-services-for-imms-in-states-Jan\\_2024.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/med-services-for-imms-in-states-Jan_2024.pdf). STATE OF ALASKA, *Chronic and Acute Medical Assistance Manual Section 920-3* [http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/cama/cama.htm#t=920\\_eligibility\\_factors.htm](http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/cama/cama.htm#t=920_eligibility_factors.htm) (Last visited Apr. 15, 2024). (“To be eligible for CAMA, an individual must be a U.S. citizen or legal alien. Unlike Medicaid / Denali KidCare, CAMA recognizes an individual who is “permanently residing under the color of law” (PRUCOL) as a legal alien who has been in the U.S. for less than five years and who is currently subject to the five year bar on Medicaid may be eligible for CAMA if the applicant meets all other CAMA requirements.”)

<sup>142</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 2* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf).

<sup>143</sup>Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) compensation for crime victims is a program providing services necessary to protect health and safety of crime victims that helps victims heal and overcome the emotional and financial impact of crime victimization on their lives. VOCA compensation is separate from and does not fall within the definitions of “federal public benefit” or “state public benefit” under U.S. public benefits laws and thus is open to all crime victims without regard to immigration status. *See*, Joye E. Frost, Office for Victims of Crime, U.S. Department of Justice, Letter to Cassie T Jones Alabama Crime Victims’ Compensation Commission (July 2, 2010) available at <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ojp-ovc-letter-on-access-to-voca-victim-compensation-7-2-2010>; For an overview of what types of victim compensation are covered by VOCA compensation programs in each state *see*, Leslye Orloff, Katelyn Deibler and Annie Roebuck, *Post-Assault Healthcare and Victims of Crime Act Coverage for Domestic and Sexual Violence Victims* (July 18, 2018) available at: <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/post-assault-coverage-chart>; and : Sarah Andrews, Vanessa Brown, Aurora de Heer, Joseph Leonard, Ryan Lighty, Katherine O’Keefe, Celia Soehner, William Springer, Josh Sterling, Linda Way-Smith, Beau Yanoshik, Morgan Lewis and Bockius, LLP and NIWAP, *Post-Assault Healthcare and Crime Victim Compensation for Immigrant Victims of Violence – Medical Coverage and Services for Immigrants* (July 13, 2018) available at <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/ch17-3-postassault-healthcare-compensation> (contains a more detailed discussion of VOCA compensation available in each state with links and citations).

<sup>144</sup> U.S. DEP’T OF LABOR, WAGE & HOUR DIVISION, *Family Medical Leave Act*, available at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/fmla> (last visited September 1, 2022) (Provides up-to-date guidance, fact sheets, forms, interpretive guidance, laws, regulations and training tools).

<sup>145</sup> *See generally* OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FED. STUDENT AID, 2023-2024 Fed. Student Aid Handbook (December 7, 2022) <https://fsapartners.ed.gov/knowledge-center/fsa-handbook/2023-2024/vol1/ch2-us-citizenship-eligible-noncitizens>. (The information in this section applies to all student financial aid including grants and loans.)

<sup>146</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., MANY NON-U.S. CITIZENS QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (last visited Mar. 5, 2018), <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>; Daniel T. Madzellan, OFFICE OF POST-SECONDARY EDUC., U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., ELIGIBILITY FOR TITLE IV AID FOR “BATTERED IMMIGRANTS-QUALIFIED ALIENS” AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (2007), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-memovawapetitionsgrantsloans-6-4-10/>. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c); OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2016-2017 1-33, 1-34 (2016), <https://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/1617FSAHbkActiveIndexMaster.pdf>.

<sup>147</sup> U.S. Department of Education, Federal Student Aid, 2022-2023 Federal Student Aid Handbook (March 28, 2021) <https://fsapartners.ed.gov/knowledge-center/fsa-handbook/2022-2023/vol1/ch2-us-citizenship-eligible-noncitizens> (Naturalized citizens are eligible for financial aid).

<sup>148</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., ELIGIBILITY FOR NON-U.S. CITIZENS (last visited February 29, 2024) <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility/requirements/non-us-citizens>. *See* 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4); OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2016-2017 1-29 (2016), <https://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/1617FSAHbkActiveIndexMaster.pdf>.

<sup>149</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., ELIGIBILITY FOR NON-U.S. CITIZENS (last visited February 29, 2024) <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility/requirements/non-us-citizens>. *See* 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b); OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., FEDERAL STUDENT AID HANDBOOK 2016-2017 1-33 (2016), <https://ifap.ed.gov/fsahandbook/attachments/1617FSAHbkActiveIndexMaster.pdf>.

<sup>150</sup> Office of Federal Student Aid, *Many Non-U.S. Citizens Qualify for Federal Student Aid*, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, available at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>.

<sup>151</sup> OFFICE OF FED. STUDENT AID, U.S. DEP’T OF EDUC., ELIGIBILITY FOR NON-U.S. CITIZENS (last visited February 29, 2024) <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility/requirements/non-us-citizens>. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

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<sup>152</sup> Office of Federal Student Aid, *Many Non-U.S. Citizens Qualify for Federal Student Aid*, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, available at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/non-us-citizens>; see 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>153</sup> Plyler v. Doe 457 U.S. 202 (1982); U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, STUDENTS, IMMIGRATION STATUS, AND THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC EDUCATION (JUNE 20, 2021) <https://blog.ed.gov/2021/07/students-immigration-status-and-the-right-to-public-education/>.

<sup>154</sup> U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Memo: Undocumented Students Authorized to Enroll in Post-Secondary Educational Institutions (July 24, 2008) <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-dhsundocstudentpost2ndeduaccess-7-24-08>. This law applies to all states except those that have implemented state laws or policies that limit or deny enrollment in public colleges or universities which are Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina. (Current as of July 2021). See, NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Current State Laws and Policies on Access to Higher Education for Immigrants (July 2021)* <https://www.nilc.org/issues/education/eduaccess toolkit/eduaccess toolkit2/#maps>.

<sup>155</sup> *Why is Residency Important?*, UNIV. OF ALASKA, <https://www.alaska.edu/future/residency/> (last visited June 26, 2018); See also *Resident Tuition Assessment*, UNIV. OF ALASKA BD. OF REGENTS, <https://www.alaska.edu/bor/policy/05-10.pdf> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>156</sup> While the chart shows eligibility to apply for SSI benefits by immigration status, those with qualified immigration statuses must also meet all other eligibility requirements. To obtain SSI benefits individuals must be aged 65 or over, blind, or disabled; and have limited income, limited resources, be a resident of one of the 50 states, DC, or Northern Mariana Islands, and not be absent from the country for a full calendar month, in addition to other requirements. Social Security Administration *Understanding Supplemental Security Income SSI Eligibility Requirements – 2017 Edition* (2017), available at <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm>.

<sup>157</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(2)(E) (prior SSI), 1612(a)(2)(F) (current disability), 1641(c) (battered immigrant).

<sup>158</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(2)(H).

<sup>159</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>160</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1) (Due to the work requirement, few SIJS children will qualify, although work done by the applicant, parent or spouse counts toward the 40 quarters of work.).

<sup>161</sup> Social Security Administration, *Understanding Supplemental Security Income SSI, Eligibility Requirements – 2023 Edition, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Eligibility Requirements* <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm> (last visited November 29, 2023).

<sup>162</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2)-(3). For some Federal programs such as SSI, a general bar applies where qualified immigrants are ineligible, unless they have attained LPR status with 40 qualifying quarters and satisfy the five-year bar, have a specified military connection, or fall within other limited exceptions. See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(2). For refugees and asylees, this bar does not apply until seven years after the date that they are admitted to refugee or asylee status; however, § 1612(b)(2) lists exceptions that independently lift the bar after seven years.

<sup>163</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b).

<sup>164</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1). T visa holders, bona fide T visa applicants with HHS certification, trafficking victims under 18 with HHS eligibility determination, and family members with T visa status are eligible for public benefits to the same extent as refugees. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(1)-(2); 1613. Federal eligibility for refugees and asylees extends for the first seven years after attaining that status. However, § 1612(b)(2) lists exceptions that independently lift the seven year limit; including, if they have attained LPR status with 40 qualifying quarters, are a veteran, and/or a member of a veteran's family. See § 1641(b)(2)-(3). States can also continue to provide benefits once the mandated seven year federal coverage period for refugees and asylees ends. See state law citations in this chart to identify if this state provides benefits for asylees and refugees beyond the seven year limitation. NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>.

<sup>165</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(2)(E) (prior SSI), 1612(a)(2)(F) (current disability), 1641(c)(4) (trafficking victims).

<sup>166</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(2)(H).

<sup>167</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

<sup>168</sup> 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b); See NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>.

<sup>169</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>170</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1) (Due to the work requirement, few SIJS children will qualify, although work done by the applicant, parent or spouse counts toward the 40 quarters of work.).

<sup>171</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>172</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/); SOC. SECURITY ADMIN., SPOTLIGHT ON SSI BENEFITS FOR ALIENS (2017), <https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/spotlights/spot-non-citizens.htm>. See 8 U.S.C. §§ 1612(a)(2)(B) (LPR eligibility for SSI), 1612(a)(2)(E) (prior SSI), 1612(a)(2)(F) (current disability), 1641(b)(1) (LPR qualified immigrant status).

<sup>173</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1612(a)(2)(H).

<sup>174</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>175</sup> *Noncitizen Eligibility for Federal Public Assistance: Policy Overview*, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE, Alison Siskin, Specialist in Immigration Policy (Dec. 12, 2016) (p. 10, note a), <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/RL33809.pdf>. In 2018, \$5,280 = 4 quarters of work credit. <https://www.ssa.gov/oact/cola/QC.html>.

<sup>176</sup> NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT, ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF DOCUMENTATION AND IDENTIFICATION FOR STATE DRIVER'S LICENSE/IDENTIFICATION CARD (SEPTEMBER 5, 2014) 1 (2014), <http://library.niwap.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/Drivers-License-Access.pdf>.

<sup>177</sup> REAL ID Act of 2005, 49 U.S.C. § 30301 Note (2005). See also 6 C.F.R. § 37.11 (g) (2012); Joan Friedland, *Updates on REAL ID and Increased Information Sharing by Departments of Motor Vehicles*, NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., (Jan. 8, 2018), <https://www.nilc.org/news/the-torch/1-04-18/>.

<sup>178</sup> See 6 C.F.R. § 37.11(g)(1) (2012).

<sup>179</sup> See *SAVE CaseCheck*, U.S. CITIZENSHIP & IMMGR. SERVS., <https://www.uscis.gov/save/casecheck> (last visited July 9, 2018). For special rules and step-by-step instructions for SAVE verification in cases of VAWA self-petitioners, see PIH NOTICE 2017-02 (HA), VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SELF-PETITIONER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES (2017), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/hud-vawa-self-petitioner-verification-procedures/> and Benish Anver, Alexandra Brown and Leslye E. Orloff, HOW TO ADVOCATE FOR PUBLIC AND ASSISTED HOUSING FOR YOUR BATTERED IMMIGRANT OR TRAFFICKING SURVIVOR CLIENT (2017) <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pub-asst-housing-advocacy>.

<sup>180</sup> See 6 C.F.R. § 37.11(g)(2) (2012); Cindy Mann, CTR. FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERV., U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., MEDICAID AND CHIP COVERAGE FOR "LAWFULLY RESIDING" CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN 2 (2010), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/pb-gov-hhslawfullyresidingmedicaid-07-01-10-also-in-qualified-immigrants/> (For example, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has identified categories of lawfully present immigrants for purposes of Medicaid and CHIP eligibility. These individuals should be able to access full Real ID compliant driver's licenses without waiting for work authorization. This may be an area for advocacy in individual cases).

<sup>181</sup> See 6 C.F.R. § 37.11(h) (2012); NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., THE REAL ID ACT: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS 8-9 (2016), <https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/REAL-ID-Act-Q-and-A.pdf>. For state-by-state charts tracking the driver license and state identification policies across all 50 states and D.C., see Higher Ed Immigration Portal, <https://www.higheredimmigrationportal.org/> (citing *REAL ID and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)*, Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr. (Aug. 2021), <https://www.nilc.org/issues/daca/real-id-and-daca/>).

<sup>182</sup> VAWA self-petitioners receive employment authorization once their case has been approved. Trafficking victims receive legal work authorization based on HHS certification for victims with continued presence and for T visa applicants with bona fide determinations. U visa applicants will receive work authorization after their case has been wait-list approved based on deferred action. Asylum applicants become eligible for work authorization approximately 6 months after filing for asylum. DACA recipients receive work



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<sup>184</sup> See *Application for driver's license*, ALASKA ADMIN. CODE tit. 2, § 90.420, <http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/aac.asp#2.90.420> (last visited June 26, 2018); *Expiration and renewal of driver's license*, ALASKA STAT. § 28.15.101, <http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/statutes.asp#28.15.141> (last visited June 26, 2018).

<sup>185</sup> U.S. Dep't of Justice, Dep't of Health & Human Servs. & Dep't of Hous. & Human Dev., Joint Letter on Immigrant Access to Shelter and Transitional Housing (Aug. 5, 2016), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/joint-letter-hud-hhs-ad-doj-immigrant-access-shelter-transitional-housing-aug-2016/> (stating that services must be in-kind, available regardless of income, and provided at the community level). See 8 U.S.C. § 1611(b)(1)(D).

<sup>186</sup> CATHERINE LONGVILLE & LESLYE E. ORLOFF, PROGRAMS OPEN TO IMMIGRANT VICTIMS AND TO ALL IMMIGRANTS WITHOUT REGARD TO IMMIGRATION STATUS 1 (2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/programs-open-to-all-immigrants/>; *Three Federal Agencies Issue Joint Letter on Shelters and Transitional Housing*, NAT'L IMMIGRANT WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT (Aug. 12, 2016), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/joint-agency-letter-shelters-transitional-housing/>.

<sup>187</sup> *Emergency Solutions Grant*, AK HOUSING FINANCE CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/pros/homelessness/assistance-grants/emergency-solutions-grant-esg-program> (last visited Sept. 3, 2022).

<sup>188</sup> Immigrants including victims who are lawfully residing in the United States or its territories and possessions under section 141 of the Compacts of Free Association between the U.S. and the Governments of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau are eligible for public and assisted housing. HUD PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING, *Eligibility Determination and Denial of Assistance*, Citizenship Status 10 (November 2019) available at:

[https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/HCV\\_Guidebook\\_Eligibility\\_Determination\\_and\\_Denial\\_of\\_Assistance.pdf](https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/HCV_Guidebook_Eligibility_Determination_and_Denial_of_Assistance.pdf) (last visited Aug. 27, 2022) (However in Guam, such immigrants are not entitled to a preference in receiving housing assistance over a U.S. citizen or national resident who is otherwise eligible for such assistance).

<sup>189</sup> See generally *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: "IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING" (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/february-22-2017-immigrant-access-federally-assisted-housing> (contains lists of housing programs that are unrestricted and lists of housing programs that various forms of immigration restrictions).

<sup>190</sup> For detailed information about Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) funding housing eligibility and how to find LIHTC funded units in communities across the country see, VAWA Home: Rights for Survivors in LIHTC <https://www.vawahome.com/> (last visited February 10, 2022).

<sup>191</sup> See generally *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: "IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING" (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/february-22-2017-immigrant-access-federally-assisted-housing> (contains lists of housing programs that are unrestricted and lists of housing programs that various forms of immigration restrictions).

<sup>192</sup> For detailed information about Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) funding housing eligibility and how to find LIHTC funded units in communities across the country see, VAWA Home: Rights for Survivors in LIHTC <https://www.vawahome.com/> (last visited February 10, 2022).

<sup>193</sup> HUD public and assisted housing refers to HUD assisted housing covered by Section 214 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. § 1436a. See Department of Housing and Urban Development PIH Notice 2017-02, *Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Self-Petitioner Verification Procedures* (Jan. 19, 2017), available at <http://library.niwap.org/wp-content/uploads/HUD-VAWA-Self-Petitioner-Verification-Procedures.pdf>; Memorandum for Secretary Julian Castro, Department of Housing and Urban Development, *Eligibility of Battered Noncitizen Self-Petitioners for Financial Assistance Under Section 214 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980* (Dec. 15, 2016), available at <http://library.niwap.org/wp-content/uploads/Eligibility-of-VAWA-Self-Petitioners-2016-12-14.pdf>; HUD Handbook 4350.3: *Occupancy Requirements of Subsidized Multifamily Housing Programs*, Appendix 2-B (2013), available at <https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/43503HSGH.PDF> (instructions for verifying battered immigrant eligibility for multi-family programs) (referring to the *Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status, and Eligibility Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996*, 62 FR 61344 at Exhibit B to Attachment 5 (Nov. 17, 1997); see also 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)).

<sup>194</sup> USDA RURAL HOUSING SERVICE, Interim Rule, *Reinvention of the Sections 514, 515, 516 and 521 Multi-Family Housing Programs*, 69 Fed. Reg. 69032 (Nov. 26, 2004) (to be codified at 7 C.F.R. pt. 1806, 1822, 1902, 1925 ("Appendix 2 to the HUD Handbook 4350.3 is incorporated into internal Agency procedures."); USDA RURAL HOUSING SERVICE, Interim Final Rule, *Reinvention of the Sections 514, 515, 516 and 521 Multi-Family Housing Programs*, 70 Fed. Reg. 8503 (Feb. 22, 2005) (to be codified at 7 C.F.R. 3560) (deciding "to delay implementation of the sections listed below in order to harmonize its procedures with HUD under 42 U.S.C. § 1436a"); DEP'T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., HUD

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HANDBOOK 4350.3: OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSIDIZED MULTIFAMILY HOUSING PROGRAMS at Appendix 2-B (2013), <https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/43503HSGH.PDF> (instructions on verifying battered immigrant eligibility for HUD multi-family programs) (referring to the *Interim Guidance on Verification of Citizenship, Qualified Alien Status, and Eligibility* Under Title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, 62 FR 61344 at Exhibit B to Attachment 5) (Nov. 17, 1997); DEP’T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., PIH NOTICE 2017-02 (HA), VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SELF-PETITIONER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES (2017), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/hud-vawa-self-petitioner-verification-procedures/>; MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY JULIAN CASTRO ON ELIGIBILITY OF BATTERED NONCITIZEN SELF-PETITIONERS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER SECTION 214 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1980 (2016), <http://library.niwap.org/wp-content/uploads/Eligibility-of-VAWA-Self-Petitioners-2016-12-14.pdf>. *See also* 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).<sup>195</sup> *See* 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>196</sup> *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/february-22-2017-immigrant-access-federally-assisted-housing> (stating that Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident). *See* 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (including immediate family member).

<sup>197</sup> *See* 7 C.F.R. § 3560.158(d); USDA MFH ASSET MANAGEMENT HANDBOOK HB 2-3650, § 6.30(D) (stating that a remaining family member who is a co-tenant or member of the household, who has the legal capacity to sign the lease, and is a U.S. citizen or qualified immigrant, may remain in the housing after the original tenant has departed); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/); *see also* 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(c).

<sup>198</sup> 42 U.S.C. § 1436(a)(1).

<sup>199</sup> *See* 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/february-22-2017-immigrant-access-federally-assisted-housing> (“Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident.”).

<sup>200</sup> *See* 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>201</sup> 24 C.F.R. § 5.506(a)(1)

<sup>202</sup> *See* 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/february-22-2017-immigrant-access-federally-assisted-housing> (“Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident.”).

<sup>203</sup> *See* 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>204</sup> *See Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants, including VAWA self-petitioners, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. *See*, DEP’T OF HOUS. & URBAN DEV., PIH NOTICE 2017-02 (HA), VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) SELF-PETITIONER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES (2017), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/hud-vawa-self-petitioner-verification-procedures/>.

<sup>205</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). *See* 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4).

<sup>206</sup> *See* 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>207</sup> *See* 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a); *see also* 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>208</sup> *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), <https://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/february-22-2017-immigrant-access-federally-assisted-housing> (stating that Section 514/516: Lessee (but not household) must be U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident). See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11 (including immediate family member).

<sup>209</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.158(d); USDA MFH ASSET MANAGEMENT HANDBOOK HB 2-3650, § 6.30(D) (stating that a remaining family member who is a co-tenant or member of the household, who has the legal capacity to sign the lease, and is a U.S. citizen or qualified immigrant, may remain in the housing after the original tenant has departed); *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/); see also 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2)-(3), (c)(4).

<sup>210</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing).

<sup>211</sup> See *Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants, T visa applicants with a bona fide determination and trafficking victims with continued presence, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See also 22 U.S.C. 7105(b) (2005) (Applicants under 18 require only HHS eligibility determination (not certification).); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016),

<https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>.

<sup>212</sup> See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>213</sup> NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See also 22 U.S.C. 7105(b); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016),

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<sup>214</sup> See OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>; 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1)(B) (requirement to expand benefits and services); see also 22 U.S.C. 7105(b); 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (Section 515 Rural Housing); 42 U.S.C. § 1490(a) (Section 521 housing assistance); 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A), 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing). *NHLP, Chart on Federally Assisted Housing and Immigrant Eligibility (Feb. 2017)*, reprinted in LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR THE WEBINAR: “IMMIGRANT ACCESS TO FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING” (FEB. 22, 2017) at Attachment A (2017), [www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/](http://www.niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/info-packet-webinar-immigrant-access-and-housing/).

<sup>215</sup> See *Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants, T visa applicants with a bona fide determination and trafficking victims with continued presence, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. NAT’L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 17, 17-20 (4th ed. 2002, table updated Mar. 2024), [https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table\\_ovrw\\_fedprogs/](https://www.nilc.org/issues/economic-support/table_ovrw_fedprogs/). See also 22 U.S.C. 7105(b) (2005) (Applicants under 18 require only HHS eligibility determination (not certification).); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP’T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016),

<https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>.

<sup>216</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>217</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11. May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from other unrestricted programs.

<sup>218</sup> See *Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available



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to immigrants who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. DACA applicants will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>219</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>220</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11. May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from unrestricted programs.

<sup>221</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>222</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 3* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf).

<sup>223</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1490a (Section 521 rental assistance); 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A) and 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); and 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (Section 515 Rural Rental Housing).

<sup>224</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>225</sup> See *Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants including SIJS applicants upon receipt of lawful permanent residency, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. SIJS applicants and recipients prior to receipt of lawful permanent residency will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>226</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>227</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11. May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from unrestricted programs.

<sup>228</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>229</sup> National Immigr. L. Center, *Table 1: Overview of Immigrant Eligibility for Federal Programs 3* (Mar. 2024), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1\\_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/tbl1_ovrvw-fed-pgms-rev-2024-March.pdf).

<sup>230</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1490a (Section 521 rental assistance); 42 U.S.C. § 1484(f)(3)(A) and 1486(g)(4) (Sections 514 and 516 Farm Labor Housing); and 42 U.S.C. § 1485 (Section 515 Rural Rental Housing).

<sup>231</sup> See 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(1).

<sup>232</sup> See *Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants, including U visa wait list approved applicants upon receipt of lawful permanent residency, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. Prior to receipt of lawful permanent residency applicants approved for the U visa wait list will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>233</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>234</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11. May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from unrestricted programs.

<sup>235</sup> See *Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants, including U visa applicants upon receipt of lawful permanent residency, who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. Prior to receipt of lawful permanent residency, U visa applicants will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>236</sup> See 42 U.S.C. § 1485.

<sup>237</sup> See 7 C.F.R. § 3560.11. May also be eligible for proration in HUD or USDA housing programs, or for federal housing assistance from unrestricted programs.

<sup>238</sup> See *Low Income Housing Tax Credit*, ALASKA HOUS. FIN. CORP., <https://www.ahfc.us/homelessness/development-grants/low-income-housing-tax-credit/> (last visited June 26, 2018). The Alaska Housing Finance Corporation allocates the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). The LIHTC program does not impose immigration restrictions. However, when housing units use these federally funded tax credits or other federally funded subsidies, the housing units with this combination of funding would only be available to immigrants who could meet the eligibility requirements of the federal subsidies involved. Undocumented immigrants will only qualify if the housing is LIHTC only or LIHTC is combined with one of the USDA programs listed above.

<sup>239</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 24; U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 972, CHILD TAX CREDIT, at 3 (2017).

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- <sup>240</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 24(f); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 972, CHILD TAX CREDIT, at 2 (2017).
- <sup>241</sup> See <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/individual-taxpayer-identification-number> (IRS ITIN Information Page).
- <sup>242</sup> 26 U.S.C.A § 21(b); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 503, CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES, at 1, 3 (2017).
- <sup>243</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 503, CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES, at 3 (2017).
- <sup>244</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 503, CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES, at 2 (2017).
- <sup>245</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., WHO QUALIFIES FOR THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC) (Jul.10, 2023) <https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/individuals/earned-income-tax-credit/who-qualifies-for-the-earned-income-tax-credit-eitc>.
- <sup>246</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); *see also* 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); *see also* U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).
- <sup>247</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).
- <sup>248</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).
- <sup>249</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).
- <sup>250</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); *see also* 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); *see also* U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).
- <sup>251</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).
- <sup>252</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).
- <sup>253</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).
- <sup>254</sup> 26 U.S.C. § 32(c)(1)(D); *see also* 26 U.S.C. § 6013(g); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 5, 18 (2017); *see also* U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 4 (2017).
- <sup>255</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).
- <sup>256</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).
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- <sup>260</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).
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- <sup>264</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31-32 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 7 (2017).
- <sup>265</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).
- <sup>266</sup> 26 U.S.C.A § 32(c)(1)(D) (West 2018); *see also* 26 U.S.C.A § 6013(g) (West 2018).
- <sup>267</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 4 (2018).
- <sup>268</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 596, EARNED INCOME CREDIT (EIC), at 4 (2017); U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 31 (2017).
- <sup>269</sup> U.S. DEP'T OF TREASURY, I.R.S., PUB. 519, U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS, at 1, 31-32 (2018).
- <sup>270</sup> *See* Anver, Bassey and Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, CORNERSTONE, National Legal Aid & Defender Association, Vol. 36, No. 1 (Jan.-Apr. 2015), available at [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/) (describing LSC legal services available to immigrant victims of violence and their families).



<sup>271</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (victim), (a)(1)(ii) (parent of victim). “Battered or subjected to extreme cruelty includes, but is not limited to, being the victim of any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention, which results or threatens to result in physical or mental injury. Psychological or sexual abuse or exploitation, including rape, molestation, incest (if the victim is a minor), or forced prostitution may be considered acts of violence. Other abusive actions may also be acts of violence under certain circumstances, including acts that, in and of themselves, may not initially appear violent but that are a part of an overall pattern of violence.” 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b). The definition of battering or extreme cruelty is identical to that in the immigration regulations. Leslye E. Orloff, Brittnay Roberts and Stefanie Gitler, *Battering and Extreme Cruelty: Drawing Examples from Civil Protection Order and Family Law Cases*, NIWAP (October 13, 2013), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/reference/additional-materials/materials-for-adjudicators-and-judges/tools-for-courts/family-law/Extreme-Cruelty-BIA-training-memo.pdf/view>; compare 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) and 8 C.F.R. § 204.2(c)(1)(vi).

<sup>272</sup> The abuse must either have occurred in the U.S. or violate U.S. law. See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c).

<sup>273</sup> “Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related” “to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery [or] cruelty” and “includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions).” 45 C.F.R. 1626.4 (b); see also Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey and Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, National Legal Aid & Defender Association, CORNERSTONE, Vol. 36, No. 1, (Jan.-Apr. 2015), available at [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes* (Nov. 3, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey, and Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors* (Oct. 1, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedlsc/>.

<sup>274</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a).

<sup>275</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b).

<sup>276</sup> Upon applying for 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b) or receiving lawful permanent residency 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a) victim switch eligibility tracks from anti-abuse (which includes a restriction that the legal assistance be related to the abuse 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4 to immigration related eligibility under for 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5 under which applicants are eligible of any legal assistance offered by the LSC funded agency. See Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, NAT’L LEGAL AID & DEFENDER Ass’n CORNERSTONE Jan.-Apr. 2015, at 20, [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Nov. 3, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey & Leslye E. Orloff, *Guide: Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors*, NAT’L IMMIGRANT WOMEN’S ADVOCACY PROJECT (NIWAP), (Oct. 1, 2014), <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedlsc/>.

<sup>277</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a)

<sup>278</sup> Legal Servs. Corpn. Can LSC Grantees Represent Undocumented Immigrants, Legal Servs. Corpn., <https://www.lsc.gov/our-impact/publications/other-publications-and-reports/can-lsc-grantees-represent-undocumented> (last visited November 29, 2023) (LSC funded agencies can represent U.S. citizens which includes naturalized citizens).

<sup>279</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>280</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

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<sup>281</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>282</sup> *See, e.g.*, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>283</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(c).

<sup>284</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (trafficking victim); 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4 (a)(1)(ii) (parent of trafficking victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(k)(2) (A “victim of trafficking” under the anti-abuse regulation is a victim of any conduct included in the definition of “trafficking” under law, including, but not limited to, local, state, and federal law, and T visa holders regardless of certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(2)(ii) (stating that to qualify for legal assistance by an LSC funded agency, the trafficking must have occurred in the U.S. or violate U.S. law, 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1), and the trafficking victim must be present in the U.S. at the time of the application for legal assistance).

<sup>285</sup> *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2).

<sup>286</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

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<sup>288</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>289</sup> *See, e.g.*, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>290</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(i)(A) (HHS certified victim); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(ii) (seeking certification). “Victim of severe forms of trafficking” means any person described at 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1)(C), with the inclusion of those still seeking HHS certification. *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(j). To qualify for legal assistance by an LSC funded agency, the victim must be present in the U.S. at the time of the application for legal assistance, 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(2)(ii), and the trafficking must have occurred in the U.S. or violated U.S. law, 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1).

<sup>291</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(i)(B) (visa holder); and 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(ii) (visa applicant). Eligibility for legal assistance under these provisions does not require HHS certification, 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(2)(ii), although the trafficking must either have occurred in the U.S. or violated U.S. law. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c).

<sup>292</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

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<sup>295</sup> See, e.g., OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

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<sup>297</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (victim), (ii) (parent of victim). “Victim of sexual assault or trafficking” means a victim of sexual assault subjected to any conduct included in the definition of sexual assault in VAWA, 42 U.S.C. § 13925(a)(29), or a victim of trafficking subjected to any conduct included in the definition of “trafficking” under law, including, but not limited to, local, state, and federal law, and T visa holders regardless of certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(k).

<sup>298</sup> The abuse must either have occurred in the U.S. or violate U.S. law. See 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c).

<sup>299</sup> Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery or cruelty and includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions). 45 C.F.R. 1626.4 (b); see also Anver, Bassey and Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, CORNERSTONE, National Legal Aid & Defender Association, Vol. 36, No. 1 (Jan.-Apr. 2015), available at [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes* (2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey, and Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors* (Oct. 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>300</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>301</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>302</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>303</sup> See, e.g. Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Dep’t of Justice, OVW FY 2017 Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program Solicitation (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>304</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i). “Battered or subjected to extreme cruelty includes, but is not limited to, being the victim of any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention, which results or threatens to result in physical or mental injury. Psychological or sexual abuse or exploitation, including rape, molestation, incest (if the victim is a minor), or forced prostitution may be considered acts of violence. Other abusive actions may also be acts of violence under certain circumstances, including acts that, in and of themselves, may not initially appear violent but that are a part of an overall pattern of violence.” 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b). The definition of battering or extreme cruelty is identical

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<sup>305</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(a)(1)(i). “Victim of sexual assault or trafficking” means a victim of sexual assault subjected to any conduct included in the definition of sexual assault in VAWA, 42 U.S.C. § 13925(a)(29), or a victim of trafficking subjected to any conduct included in the definition of “trafficking” under law, including, but not limited to, local, state, and federal law, and T visa holders regardless of certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(k).

<sup>306</sup> “Related legal assistance means legal assistance directly related” “to the prevention of, or obtaining relief from, the battery [or] cruelty” and “includes representation in matters that will assist a person eligible for assistance under this part to escape from the abusive situation, ameliorate the current effects of the abuse, or protect against future abuse, so long as the recipient can show the necessary connection of the representation to the abuse. Such representation may include immigration law matters and domestic or poverty law matters (such as obtaining civil protective orders, divorce, paternity, child custody, child and spousal support, housing, public benefits, employment, abuse and neglect, juvenile proceedings and contempt actions).” 45 C.F.R. 1626.4 (b); see also Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey and Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, National Legal Aid & Defender Association, CORNERSTONE, Vol. 36, No. 1, (Jan.-Apr. 2015), available at [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes* (Nov. 3, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey, and Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors* (Oct. 1, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>307</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a).

<sup>308</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b); see National Legal Aid & Defender Association, *Cornerstone 23*, Vol. 36, No. 1 (Jan.-Apr. 2015), available at [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes* (Nov. 3, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey, and Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors* (Oct. 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>309</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>310</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>311</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>312</sup> See, e.g., OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>313</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (crime victim or family member eligible for U visa relief) and (ii) (parent of U visa eligible child); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(h) (definitions). To qualified for a U visa, the victim must have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as a result of having been a victim of one or more of the following, or any similar activity in violation of Federal, State, or local criminal law: rape; torture; trafficking; incest; domestic violence; sexual assault; abusive sexual contact; prostitution; sexual exploitation; stalking; female genital mutilation; being held hostage; peonage; involuntary servitude; slave trade; kidnapping; abduction; unlawful criminal restraint; false imprisonment; blackmail; extortion; manslaughter; murder; felonious assault; witness tampering; obstruction of justice; perjury; fraud in foreign labor contracting (as defined in section 1351 of title 18); or attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit any of the above mentioned crimes. 8 U.S.C. §§ 1101(a)(15)(U)(i)(I) and U(iii).



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<sup>316</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(a).

<sup>317</sup> 45 C.F.R. § 1626.5(b); *see* National Legal Aid & Defender Association, *Cornerstone 23*, Vol. 36, No. 1 (Jan.-Apr. 2015), available at [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes* (Nov. 3, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey, and Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors* (Oct. 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>318</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>319</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>320</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>321</sup> *See, e.g.*, Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Dep’t of Justice, OVW FY 2017 Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Grant Program Solicitation (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>322</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (crime victim or family member eligible for U visa relief) and (ii) (parent of U visa eligible child); 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(h) (definitions). To qualified for a U visa, the victim must have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as a result of having been a victim of one or more of the following, or any similar activity in violation of Federal, State, or local criminal law: rape; torture; trafficking; incest; domestic violence; sexual assault; abusive sexual contact; prostitution; sexual exploitation; stalking; female genital mutilation; being held hostage; peonage; involuntary servitude; slave trade; kidnapping; abduction; unlawful criminal restraint; false imprisonment; blackmail; extortion; manslaughter; murder; felonious assault; witness tampering; obstruction of justice; perjury; fraud in foreign labor contracting (as defined in section 1351 of title 18); or attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit any of the above mentioned crimes. 8 U.S.C. §§ 1101(a)(15)(U)(i)(I) and U(iii).

<sup>323</sup> To qualify for legal representation by an LSC funded agency, the abuse must either have occurred inside the U.S. or violated U.S. law. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c)(1).

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proceedings and contempt actions).” 45 C.F.R. 1626.4 (b); *see also* Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey and Orloff, *Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005*, National Legal Aid & Defender Association, CORNERSTONE, Vol. 36, No. 1, (Jan.-Apr. 2015), available at [http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone\\_jan-apr-2015/](http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/anti-abuse-lsc-reg-articles-cornerstone_jan-apr-2015/); Benish Anver, Henrissa Bassey, & Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *And Legal Services Access for All: Implementing the Violence Against Women Act of 2005’s New Path to Legal Services Corporation Funded Representation for Immigrant Survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, and Other Crimes* (Nov. 3, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/and-legal-services-for-all/>; Catherine Longville, Henrissa Bassey, and Leslye E. Orloff, National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP), *Access to Publicly Funded Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors* (Oct. 1, 2014), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/lsc-tool-accesspubliclyfundedls/>.

<sup>325</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

<sup>326</sup> Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2000 § 1512, 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)); Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, tit. II, § 1201(a), Pub. L. 106-386, 114 Stat. 1464 (2000) [hereinafter VAWA 2000], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/vawa-gov-vawa-2000-pub-l-106-386-10-28-00/>.

<sup>327</sup> Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 § 103, Pub. L. 109-162, 119 Stat. 2960 (2006) (codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10441 (2017)) (originally codified at 42 U.S.C. § 3796gg (2000)) [hereinafter VAWA 2005], <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/pubs/senate-judicial-hearing-july-19-2005-1/>.

<sup>328</sup> *See, e.g.*, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP’T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>329</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (victim), (a)(1)(ii) (parent of victim). “Battered or subjected to extreme cruelty includes, but is not limited to, being the victim of any act or threatened act of violence, including any forceful detention, which results or threatens to result in physical or mental injury. Psychological or sexual abuse or exploitation, including rape, molestation, incest (if the victim is a minor), or forced prostitution may be considered acts of violence. Other abusive actions may also be acts of violence under certain circumstances, including acts that, in and of themselves, may not initially appear violent but that are a part of an overall pattern of violence.” 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b). The definition of battering or extreme cruelty is identical to that in the immigration regulations. Leslye E. Orloff, Brittnay Roberts and Stefanie Gitler, *Battering and Extreme Cruelty: Drawing Examples from Civil Protection Order and Family Law Cases*, NIWAP (October 13, 2013), available at <http://niwaplibrary.wcl.american.edu/reference/additional-materials/materials-for-adjudicators-and-judges/tools-for-courts/family-law/Extreme-Cruelty-BIA-training-memo.pdf/view>; *compare* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(b) and 8 C.F.R. § 204.2(c)(1)(vi).

<sup>330</sup> 45 C.F.R. §§ 1626.4(a)(1)(i) (victim), (ii) (parent of victim). “Victim of sexual assault or trafficking” means a victim of sexual assault subjected to any conduct included in the definition of sexual assault in VAWA, 42 U.S.C. § 13925(a)(29), or a victim of trafficking subjected to any conduct included in the definition of “trafficking” under law, including, but not limited to, local, state, and federal law, and T visa holders regardless of certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. 45 C.F.R. § 1626.2(k).

<sup>331</sup> The abuse must either have occurred in the U.S. or violate U.S. law. *See* 45 C.F.R. § 1626.4(c).

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<sup>333</sup> OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, FY 2018 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS GRANT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCE CALL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017, <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/1020436/download> (“The purpose of the LAV Program is to increase the availability of civil and criminal legal assistance needed to effectively aid adult and youth victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are seeking relief in legal matters relating to or arising out of that abuse or violence, at minimum or no cost to the victims. The LAV Grant Program supports the provision of holistic legal services. For example, survivors may also need legal assistance with other legal matters relating to or arising out of the abuse or violence, including family matters such as divorce, child custody or child support, immigration, administrative agency proceedings, housing, and assistance related to human trafficking.”).

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<sup>336</sup> See, e.g., OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OVW FY 2017 LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS (LAV) GRANT PROGRAM SOLICITATION (2017), <https://www.justice.gov/ovw/page/file/922496/download> (listing representation of child sexual assault victims under age of 11 as out-of-scope for Legal Assistance for Victims grant funded programs).

<sup>337</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>338</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf); see 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c).

<sup>339</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>340</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf); see 8 U.S.C. §§ 1641(b)(2), (b)(3), (c)(4).

<sup>341</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

<sup>342</sup> NAT'L IMMIGR. L. CTR., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* in GUIDE TO IMMIGRANT ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS 150, 150-51 (4th ed. 2002, rev. May 2006), [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf); OFFICE ON TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, U.S. DEP'T OF HEALTH & HUM. SERV., OTIP-FS-16-01, CERTIFICATION FOR ADULT VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING FACT SHEET 1 (2016), <https://traffickingresourcecenter.org/sites/default/files/Certification%20Fact%20Sheet%20Posting%20%282%29.pdf>. See 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) (Applicants over age 18 require an HHS certification. Applicants under age 18 require an HHS eligibility determination (not a certification)).

<sup>343</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

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<sup>345</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf); see 8 U.S.C. § 1640(b)(1).

<sup>346</sup> Nat'l Immigr. L. Ctr., *Low-Income Home Energy (LIHEAP) and Weatherization Assistance Programs (WAP)* (May 2016), available at [https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap\\_pp150-51\\_053006.pdf](https://www.nilc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/liheapwap_pp150-51_053006.pdf).

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<sup>368</sup> See Federal Emergency Management Agency, *FEMA Citizenship/Immigration Requirements* (Dec. 2015), available at <https://www.fema.gov/faq-details/FEMA-Citizenship-Immigration-requirements-1370032118159> (stating that undocumented individuals can apply on behalf of a minor US citizen child who has a social security card).

<sup>369</sup> To be eligible for unemployment insurance, each class of immigrant must have had prior work authorization and had to have been working with the authorization at the time they applied for unemployment. Work authorization must remain valid while they receive unemployment and if work authorization expires, then so does the eligibility for unemployment.

<sup>370</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(1)(B)(i), or (ii); or 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(2), or (3).

<sup>371</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(3).

<sup>372</sup> INA § 208(d)(2); 8 C.F.R. § 274a.12(c)(8); 8 C.F.R. §§ 274a.12(a)(5). 8 U.S.C. § 1641(b)(2).

<sup>373</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

<sup>374</sup> 8 U.S.C. § 1641(c)(4).

<sup>375</sup> See Rebecca Smith, *Immigrant Workers' Eligibility for Unemployment Insurance*, NAT'L EMPLOYMENT LAW PROJECT (Mar. 31, 2020), <https://www.nelp.org/publication/immigrant-workers-eligibility-unemployment-insurance/> (“The general rule is that workers must have valid work authorization during the base period, at the time that they apply for benefits, and throughout the period during which they are receiving benefits.”).

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