

Rhode Island DACA Resources

Final Deadline for Submitting Renewal:

October 3, 2017

What does this mean?

- Those **currently** enrolled in DACA can keep working until their work permits expire;
- Those whose work permits expire **between September 5, 2017 and March 5, 2018** will be able to apply for renewal if their application is **RECEIVED by October 5.**

For Help with Filing a Renewal

Dorcas International Institute of Rhode Island
645 Elmwood Avenue
Providence, RI 02907
Email: immigration@diiri.org P: (401) 784-8621

Progreso Latino
626 Broad Street
Central Falls, RI 02863 P: (401) 728-5920

Diocese of Providence
1 Cathedral Square
Providence, RI 02863 P: (401) 421-7833 ext. 229

Roger Williams School of Law Immigration Clinic
Pro Bono Collaborative of RWU
1 Empire Plaza
Providence, RI 02903 P: (401) 276-4880

Sojourner House
386 Smith Street
Providence, RI 02908 P: (401) 861-6191

Financial Support is Available:

- Support is available to help cover the cost of the renewal filing fee.
- Qualified individuals may be eligible for no-cost, fully subsidized filing.
- Contact Dorcas International Institute of Rhode Island for more information at immigration@diiri.org or 401-784-8621.

Additional funding is available through:

Consulate General of Mexico
55 Franklin St, Boston, MA 02110 P: (617) 426-4181

Scholarships are available to through the Mission Asset Fund until **October 5, 2017**. Anyone interested should apply through www.LC4DACA.org

Capital Good Fund is offering microloans to cover the cost of the filing fee. Anyone interested should visit <https://capitalgoodfund.org/en/loans/immigration>

Clinic Dates:

- Daily from 9-4:30 at Dorcas International Institute of Rhode Island
- 9/23/17 from 10am-1pm at Progreso Latino, 626 Broad Street in Central Falls, RI

What else should I consider?

- Check your expiration date; if it is **between September 5, 2017 and March 5, 2018**, you are eligible to reapply.
- If you are eligible to reapply, be sure to do so by **October 3, 2017** to meet the deadline. Despite widespread media reports of a “6-month delay,” renewals will not be accepted after October 5.
- If you do not believe you can afford the \$495 renewal filing fee, do not let it deter you. Significant financial assistance is available.
- Be wary of individuals holding themselves out as being able to help with or fix your immigration situation. Even licensed attorneys may not be qualified to assist with immigration matters, depending on their expertise. Try to gather as much information as possible about the individual or office you are considering. If you have any questions or concerns, contact the resources listed above.

Rhode Island DACA FAQs

What if I cannot afford the filing fee to apply for renewal?

FINANCIAL HELP IS AVAILABLE! Financial assistance is available to assist with the cost of the filing fee. You may be eligible to have the cost of your filing fees covered entirely. Contact Dorcas International Institute of Rhode Island at (401) 784-8621 for more.

Is my DACA still valid?

Your DACA is valid until it expires. DACA and work permits (employment authorization documents, or EADs) remain valid until their expiration date. To determine when your DACA and work permit expire, look at your I-795 Approval Notice and the bottom of your EAD.

I don't have DACA. If I am eligible, can I still apply?

No new DACA applications will be accepted at this time.

I already submitted my first DACA application. What will happen to my application?

If your application has been received and accepted by USCIS before September 5, it will be processed accordingly.

My DACA is expiring soon. Can I renew it?

If your DACA expires between September 5, 2017 and March 5, 2018, your application for a two-year renewal **must be received October 5, 2017**, so it must be express mailed no later than October 3. **GET A MAILING RECEIPT!**

If your DACA expires after March 5, 2018, you are not currently eligible to apply for renewal.

I submitted my DACA renewal application already. What will happen to my application?

If your application is currently pending, it will be adjudicated, according to USCIS.

What does this decision mean for my ability to work?

Since no current grants of DACA or work permits are being *immediately* terminated, your employment authorization card is still valid until the date of expiration, and your employer should not ask to verify your work permit again until your current expiration date. At that time, if you qualified for and timely renewed your DACA and work permit or obtained a work permit on another basis, you will need to present your new work permit to your employer to show that you continue to have authorization to work.

What will happen to my Social Security number?

Once you receive a Social Security number (SSN) from the Social Security Administration, you must use your SSN for tax filing purposes. If your work authorization is rescinded, your SSN remains valid for tax purposes, so you should continue to use your SSN for that purpose.