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To:

Subject: USCIS Message: Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Renewal

Dear Stakeholder,

Please help us spread this message in immigrant communities:

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) reminds recipients of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) that their current period of DACA and employment authorization could expire if they wait too long to request renewal.

We strongly encourage you to submit your renewal request **150 to 120 days** before your current period of DACA and employment authorization will expire. Timely filing will help ensure USCIS has sufficient time to consider your request.

On March 27, 2015, USCIS began mailing renewal reminder notices to DACA recipients 180 days prior to the expiration date of their current period of DACA. Previously, these reminder notices were mailed 100 days in advance.

USCIS continues to accept initial and renewal requests for two-year grants of DACA under the guidelines established in 2012. A federal district court order issued on February 16, 2015, enjoining USCIS from implementing the expanded DACA guidelines did not impact USCIS' ability to continue processing DACA requests under the 2012 guidelines.

You may request renewal of DACA if you met the initial DACA guidelines and you:

- Did not depart the United States on or after August 15, 2012, without advance parole;
- Have continuously resided in the United States since you submitted your most recent, approved DACA request, up to the present time; and
- Have not been convicted of a felony, a significant misdemeanor, or three or more misdemeanors, and do not otherwise pose a threat to national security or public safety.

Visit <u>uscis.gov/daca</u> or <u>uscis.gov/acciondiferida</u> to get updates and all the information you need to make an initial or renewal request for DACA.

As always, we encourage you to beware of immigration scams. Visit <u>uscis.gov/avoidscams</u> or <u>uscis.gov/eviteestafas</u> to learn how to protect yourself and how to find authorized legal services.

Kind Regards, Public Engagement Division U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services