

IMMIGRATION ROUNDUP

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Updates with the USCIS

Humanitarian Parole Process (<https://www.uscis.gov/CHNV>)

- Cubans, Haitians, Nicaraguans and Venezuelans outside the U.S. (or immediate family members—spouse/common-law partner and unmarried children under 21)
- Grants advance travel authorization for up to 30k noncitizens each month
- Supporter (USC, LPR, lawful nonimmigrant, Asylee/Refugee, TPS)
- Supporter submits Form I-134A
- USCIS will contact beneficiary via email with subsequent steps (submissions filed with CBP One Mobile App)

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Family Reunification Parole Process (<https://www.uscis.gov/FRP>)

- Advance travel authorization for Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras
- National Visa Center (NVC) will send email invitations to individuals
- Must have approved I-130 petition
- Petitioner will then submit I-134A
- Beneficiary will then submit information using CBP One Mobile App

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Temporary Protected Status Updated Designations (<https://www.uscis.gov/newsroom/news-releases/temporary-protected-status-designations-for-el-salvador-honduras-nepal-and-nicaragua-reinstated-and>)

- El Salvador, Honduras, Nepal, and Nicaragua
- Reinstated and Extended for 18 months
- Only applies to renewals, not new applicants who arrived after the designated continuous residence dates
- El Salvador – 13 Feb 2001
- Honduras – 30 Dec 1998
- Nepal – 24 June 2015
- Nicaragua – 30 Dec 1998

Updates with the USCIS

Online Filings for Certain Forms (<https://www.uscis.gov/file-online/forms-available-to-file-online>)

- I-589 (Asylum) - <https://www.uscis.gov/i-589>
- I-765 (Employment Authorization Document) - <https://www.uscis.gov/i-765>
- Requires a USCIS account (<https://my.uscis.gov>)

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Updated Procedures for Applications for Citizenship

- Can file application online (<https://www.uscis.gov/n-400>)
- Oath Ceremonies can take place the same day of the interview
- Requires a USCIS account

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Wait Times/Processing Times

- Still seeing lengthy processing times for most applications/petitions
- Follow processing times online (<https://egov.uscis.gov/processing-times/>)
- Can make online inquiries once case is outside processing times (<https://egov.uscis.gov/e-request/Intro.do>)
- Certain receipt notices now extending validity period (e.g., EAD and LPR)

Updates with the EOIR

Chicago Immigration Court

- New address – 55 East Monroe Street, Suite 1500, Chicago, IL 60603
- Find out case information online (<https://icor.eoir.justice.gov/en/>)
- Many filings for new cases can be do online with an account
- New/renewed procedures for processing cases with USDHS outside of hearings (pre-hearing conferences, prosecutorial discretion, stipulations)

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