



Frequently Asked Questions

Regarding Grants for Payment of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Filing Fees

Who is awarding the grant?

Protectors of the Dream, Inc., a Texas nonprofit organization, is awarding grants to individuals for the payment of filing fees required for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.

The organization intends to award such grants on a periodic basis to qualified individuals. The organization will provide specific dates when applications may be submitted. If applicants are not awarded a grant after their initial submission, they may reapply.

How much is the grant?

The amount of each grant is \$465.

What can the grant be used for?

The grant can only be used for the payment of filing fees required for the Consideration of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals or the reimbursement of said filing fees (upon verification such funds were paid to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security). The grant cannot be used for other costs associated with Deferred Action, including, but not limited to, attorney's fees.

Who may apply for a grant?

Any individual that is eligible for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, has not committed a crime (other than traffic offenses) and lives within the greater Houston metropolitan area.

Who is not qualified to receive the grant?

The following individuals are not qualified to receive the grant:

- Individuals who do not meet the eligibility requirements for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals;
- Individuals that have been convicted of a crime (other than minor traffic offenses); and/or
- relatives of members of the Protectors of the Dream's board of directors, committee members or substantial contributors.

What factors are considered to award grants?

The organization is solely responsible for selecting applicants to receive the grants and administering the selection process. Grants will be awarded to individuals based on financial need, academic achievement, personal essays and eligibility for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.

When is the deadline to submit the application?

The deadline to submit your application for the first round of grants is **Monday, June 1, 2015**. Applications must be post marked by this date. If you miss the deadline, you may reapply when a new submission time frame is given.

Where do I submit my grant application?

Submit completed grant applications to:

Protectors of the Dream, Inc.

P.O. Box 38584 Houston, TX 77238-8584



Application for Grant

For Filing Fees for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

QUESTIONS RELATED TO DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS

Date of Birth: _____ Country of Birth: _____

Did you arrive in the United States on or before Jan. 1, 2010? YES NO

How old were you when first arrived in the United States? _____

Have you resided in the United States continuously from Jan. 1, 2010 until present time? YES NO

Were you physically present in the United States on Nov. 20, 2014? YES NO

Have you ever been convicted of a crime, excluding minor traffic tickets? YES NO

Do you have a High School Diploma? YES NO Do you have a GED Certificate? YES NO

If yes, please attach a copy.

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Are you currently attending school? YES NO

If yes, identify the school: _____ and attach a copy of your high school and/or college transcript.

QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE GRANT

Do you participate in any extracurricular or community activities, or have you participated in the past? YES NO

If the answer is Yes, please explain briefly:



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QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE GRANT

Are you planning on attending any educational institution after high school or after the completion of your GED? YES NO

If you answered yes to the above question, what certificate or degree are you pursuing or would you like to pursue? Explain the impact pursuing your education will have on you, your family and your community (in no more than 200 words).

***Your response to this question may be submitted on a separate sheet of paper.
Please remember to put your name on the sheet of paper.***

Please state the reason why Protectors of the Dream should award you this grant (in no more than 200 words).

Your response to this question may be submitted on a separate sheet of paper or you may provide a link to your YouTube video answering this question (no more than 2 minutes).

Please write a short essay (no more than 500 words) on any one of the following topics:

- Your first experience in the United States.
- What does the American Dream mean to you?
- What does Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals mean to you?

***Your essay should be submitted on a separate sheet of paper.
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I certify that the information provided in this application and in any attachment is true and correct. I understand that I may have to provide verification for the information I have stated in this application. I further consent to a background check, at no cost to me, if my application is selected for consideration as a finalist in the selection process. If I am selected as a winner of a grant, I agree to allow Protectors of the Dream, Inc. to share my story.

I certify that I am not a relative of any of Protectors of the Dream's board of directors, officers, committee members or substantial contributors.

I understand that this application process should NOT be construed as legal advice and that I may want to consult with an attorney of my choice. I understand that the awarding of the grant does not constitute U.S. Government approval of Consideration for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____