

February 13, 2024

U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services  
National Benefits Center  
P.O. Box 648004  
Lee's Summit, MO 64002



U.S. Citizenship  
and Immigration  
Services

RE: I-485, Application to Register Permanent Residence or  
Adjust Status

**REQUEST FOR EVIDENCE (FORM I-485)**

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

**Why We Are Writing You**

On February 2, 2024, you submitted your Form I-485. We are writing to inform you that we need more information from you to make a decision on your case. Please read this letter carefully and follow all of the instructions below.

**What You Need To Do**

You must provide the following information in order for us to make a final decision on your case. **Please include a copy of ALL pages of this letter with your response.**

- Based on the documents submitted, we could not determine that the petitioning sponsor on Form I-864, Affidavit of Support, is qualified. In order to be a qualified sponsor, the petitioning sponsor's Form I-864 must be properly completed and signed, and the supporting documents must establish that the petitioning sponsor's income meets 125 percent of the federal poverty guideline for the sponsor's household size. See Form I-864P for information on the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

If the petitioning sponsor's income does not meet 125 percent of the federal poverty guideline for their household size, you must obtain a qualifying joint sponsor who demonstrates the ability to support you or submit evidence of assets. See Form I-864 Instructions for more information. If you decide to obtain a joint sponsor (or a different joint sponsor), you will need to:

- Submit a completed and signed Form I-864, Affidavit of Support, from the joint sponsor. A valid signature consists of any handwritten mark or sign made by an individual, and does not include signatures created by a typewriter, word processor, stamp, auto-pen, or similar device. All pages must be present and of the latest edition date.
- Provide the joint sponsor's Social Security Number on Form I-864.



- Provide a complete and correctly calculated household size on Form I-864.
- Submit a complete copy of the joint sponsor's Federal income tax return and all supporting tax documents (W-2s, 1099s, Form 2555, and tax schedules) for the most recent tax year.
- Submit evidence of the joint sponsor's status as a United States citizen, United States National, or Lawful Permanent Resident.

The "Total Income" line on IRS Form 1040 is used to determine qualifying income for a sponsor, not the "Gross Receipts" line from IRS Schedule C or C-EZ.

If the petitioning sponsor or the joint sponsor is unable to meet the income requirements, they may qualify based on the cash value of their significant assets. Assets must equal the stated difference between the sponsor's income and 125 percent of the federal poverty guideline for the sponsor's household size.

- Assets must equal the difference for applicants filing as orphans.
- Assets must equal three times the difference for a spouse or child of a United States citizen.
- Assets must equal five times the difference for all others.

Acceptable evidence of assets:

- Bank statements covering the last 12 months (statements will be averaged over a 12 month period) or a statement from an officer of the bank or other financial institution in which the sponsor has deposits, the account balance averaged over a 12 month period, and current balance;
- Evidence of ownership, value, and dates acquired of stocks, bonds, and certificates of deposit;
- Evidence of ownership, value/equity, and dates acquired of other personal property;
- Evidence of ownership, a recent licensed appraisal or county tax assessment, any mortgage/lien or lien release of any real estate, and dates acquired.

For further instructions and the latest edition of Form I-864, visit the USCIS website at [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov). See Specific Instructions and Specific Requirements listed in the Form I-864 instructions for complete information.

- The petitioning sponsor on Form I-864, Affidavit of Support, must be a United States citizen, United States National, or Lawful Permanent Resident of the United States. Submit evidence of the petitioning sponsor's status.

Evidence may include:

- Birth certificate issued by a civil authority showing birth in the United States (must be a long-form birth certificate which lists at least one parent's name)
- Puerto Rican birth certificate (must have been issued on or after July 1, 2010)
- Biographical page of unexpired United States passport
- Certificate of Naturalization
- Certificate of Citizenship
- Department of State Form FS-240 (Report of Birth Abroad of a United States Citizen)
- Copy of Form I-551, Permanent Resident Card

### **When You Need To Do It**

You must submit the requested information by May 10, 2024. You must either mail the requested information to the address shown below or scan and upload your response using your USCIS online account (if applicable).



You must submit all of the requested evidence at one time. If you submit only part of the evidence, we will make a decision based on the evidence that you submit. We will not consider any evidence that is submitted after the due date. If you do not respond to this request by the date shown above, we will deny your case.

If you submit a document in any language other than English, you must provide: (1) a copy of the original document in its foreign language; and (2) a full English translation of the document. The translator must certify that the translation is complete and accurate, and that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language to English.

We strongly recommend you keep a copy of all documents that you submit to USCIS in response to this request.

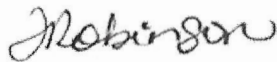
**Please include a copy of ALL pages of this letter with your response.**

Submit your response with requested document(s), information, etc. to this address:

Regular Mail	Express Mail or Courier Deliveries
<b>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</b>	<b>USCIS, Attention: Adjustment of Status</b>
PO Box 648004	850 NW Chipman Rd
Lee's Summit, MO 64002	Lee's Summit, MO 64063

**Please do not forget to include a copy of ALL pages of this letter with your response.**

Sincerely,



Terri A. Robinson  
Director  
Officer: LX3366

