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## ***Family Sponsor Green Card Document Request***

- Please make sure the copies are enlarged and clear so that all stamps and entries are readable.
- Please provide both original language and English translations of all documentation, and include a "Translation Certification" (using the sample included at the end of this document) with each translation.
- Note that the translation can be done by anyone, and need not be done by a translation service or be notarized (or legalized).

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### **Documentation Required From Every Person Sponsoring Someone for a Green Card**

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1. If you are a U.S. citizen, a copy of your birth certificate, passport or naturalization certificate.
2. If you are a U.S. permanent resident, a copy of your "Resident Alien Card" (or green card).
3. **Two** passport-style color photographs.
4. Your W-2's and Federal income tax returns for the last three years.
5. A recent pay stub.

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### **Documentation Required Based Upon the Type of Case**

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➤ **If You Are Sponsoring Your Spouse:**

1. A copy of your marriage certificate.
2. Evidence that you are living as man and wife, such as apartment lease agreements, bank statements, utility bills, life/health insurance coverage, etc.

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➤ **If You Are Sponsoring Your Fiancé(e):**

1. A notarized original "Freedom to Marry Affidavit" (*attached*) from:
  - a. Yourself
  - b. Your fiancé(e)
  - c. Your parents
  - d. Your fiancé(e)'s parents
  - e. A few friends of you and your fiancé(e)
2. A notarized original "Relationship Affidavit" (*attached*) from:
  - a. Yourself
  - b. Your fiancé(e)
  - c. Your parents
  - d. Your fiancé(e)'s parents

- e. A few friends of you and your fiancé(e)
- 3. Documentation showing that you have met your fiancé(e) and have a legitimate relationship. This includes itineraries of trips to meet each other, itineraries of trips taken together, photos of the two of you with friends and family, emails, letters, phone bills showing you've called each other often, etc.

*Be sure to include an explanation with the documentation, such as who is in the photographs.*

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### **Translation Certification**

I certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_, speak, read and write both English and \_\_\_\_\_, and that the attached document, \_\_\_\_\_, is a true and accurate translation of the original.

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Signature

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Date