Non-immigrant Status Visa Certification

The role of the Essex Fells Police Department in the T visa and U visa processes is to complete a declaration form in order to advise U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) about how an individual is assisting law enforcement. This potential immigration relief can be of critical assistance to victims providing temporary legal status in the United States.

T-Visa Certification

T non-immigrant status is a temporary immigration benefit that enables certain individuals of a severe form of human trafficking to remain in the United States for up to 4 years if they have assisted law enforcement in an investigation or prosecution of human trafficking. T non-immigrant status is also available for certain qualifying family members of trafficking victims.

To determine eligibility of a T-visa the petitioner should review the instructions on the following site prior to contacting the Essex Fells Police Department. <u>Click Here for information regarding</u> T-Visa.

Step 1

The petitioner of a T-visa certification can access the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) forms and instructions online (Please Click Here).

If the petitioner does not have Internet access, they may call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 and ask that they mail a form to them. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833.

Step 2

The petitioner may request the Essex Fells Police Department complete form USCIS Form I-914 supplement B for T-visa certification. Any request made to the Essex Fells Police Department will be forwarded to the Detective Bureau who will process the request within 120 days of the request being made.

- A Detective from the Essex Fells Police Department will contact the petitioner after the initial request is received and may request further information from the applicant.
- The completion of Supplement B is at the discretion of the Essex Fells Police Department investigating Detective.

U-Visa Certification

U non-immigrant status is set aside for victims of certain crimes as well as protecting victims of crimes who have suffered mental or physical abuse. Victims must be willing to help law enforcement in the investigation or prosecution of criminal activity.

To determine eligibility of a U-visa the petitioner should review the instructions on the following site prior to contacting the Essex Fells Police Department. <u>Please click here for more information regarding U-Visa</u>.

Step 1

The petitioner of a U-visa certification can access the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) forms and instructions online. (Please click here).

If the petitioner does not have Internet access, they may call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 and ask that they mail a form to them. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833.

Step 2

The petitioner may request the your local police department to complete forms USCIS Form I-918 supplement B for U-visa certification. Any request made to the Essex Fells Police Department will be forwarded to the Detective Bureau who will process the request within 120 days of the request being made.

- The completion of Supplement B is at the discretion of the Essex Fells Police Department investigating Detective.
- A Detective from the Essex Fells Police Department will contact the petitioner after the initial request is received and may request further information from the applicant.

If a petitioner of a T or U Non-immigrant Status Certification has any questions on the application process, they can contact the Essex Fells Police Department Detective Bureau at (973)226-3722.