



U.S. Citizenship
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Services

USCIS Celebrates Citizenship Day 2022

Fact Sheet and Updates

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President Biden issued [Executive Order 14012](#), *Restoring Faith in Our Legal Immigration Systems and Strengthening Integration and Inclusion Efforts for New Americans*, on February 2, 2021. USCIS has taken a wide range of actions since then to help prospective applicants overcome barriers to citizenship and to promote naturalization, and has documented progress in reports, fact sheets, and accomplishment highlights on its [promoting naturalization webpage](#).

As we mark and celebrate Citizenship Day and Constitution Week 2022, September 17-23, USCIS is pleased to share updates and accomplishments since our last public reporting in July 2022.

NATURALIZATIONS AND CITIZENSHIP CEREMONIES

- **New U.S. Citizens** – USCIS will welcome more than 19,000 new citizens in more than 235 naturalization ceremonies across the country between September 17-23.
- **Special Citizenship Ceremonies** – This year’s special Citizenship Day-themed naturalization ceremonies include:
 - National World War I Museum and Memorial in Kansas City, Missouri on September 7
 - Fort McHenry National Monument in Baltimore, Maryland on September 10
 - Atlanta City Hall in Atlanta, Georgia on September 13
 - National Archives and Records Administration in Washington, D.C. on September 14
 - Tumacacori National Historical Park in Arizona on September 16
 - World Food & Music Festival in Des Moines, Iowa on September 16
 - The Pacific Battleship Center – National Museum of the Surface Navy at Battleship USS IOWA with Secretary Mayorkas in Los Angeles, California on September 17
 - Ellis Island in New York Harbor with Director Jaddou on September 17
 - Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art in Bentonville, Arkansas on September 19
 - The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation in Washington, D.C. on September 20
 - Homestead National Park in Beatrice, Nebraska on September 22
 - George Washington’s Mount Vernon in Virginia on September 23

For additional venues, please see full list of highlighted [2022 Constitution Week and Citizenship Day-themed ceremonies](#).

PUBLIC INFORMATION DATA RELEASES AND NEW MATERIALS

- **The “Eligible to Naturalize” Data Dashboard** – USCIS is releasing a public version of this Dashboard, which provides statistics on those eligible to apply for naturalization by birth country and geographic location. USCIS will hold a public engagement on the Dashboard in early autumn 2022.

- **Additional “Eligible to Naturalize Data” [Fact Sheets](#)** – These fact sheets provide detailed information on and for lawful permanent resident (LPR) populations in specific communities coinciding with federal interagency partner outreach efforts. USCIS releases fact sheets and LPR data from specific areas on a rolling basis.
- **Updated Naturalization Statistics Webpage** – This [updated website](#) provides data on those who naturalized in FY 2021. Demographic characteristics include country of birth, state, city, core-based statistical area, age, and gender. This new update also includes data on fee waivers and those who utilized an attorney or accredited representative.
- **Naturalization Test Performance** – [This webpage](#) provides data on the pass rate for the English language test (including speaking, understanding, writing and reading) and the civics test.
- **Family Learning Civics Together (2Generation Toolkit)** – A collection of resources and activities for parents to use with their children to explore learning civics and citizenship together, the toolkit promotes a two-generation approach to civic engagement and contains resources for both educators and families.
- **Expansion of 10 Steps to Naturalization Brochure** – This popular outreach tool has been translated into the following languages: Arabic, Chinese Simplified, Chinese Traditional, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog, and Vietnamese. The brochures are available on the [USCIS Citizenship Resource Center website](#).

SPECIAL ENGAGEMENTS AND NEW INITIATIVES

- **USCIS Citizenship Ambassadors Initiative** – USCIS launched this new initiative in mid-July 2022 and is holding events with selected ambassadors across the country in celebration of Citizenship Day. Under the initiative, local community leaders volunteer to help promote citizenship by sharing their own experiences and USCIS tools and resources. Learn more about the initiative and ambassadors [on our website](#).
- **FY22 Citizenship and Integration Grants Program** – With an increased congressional appropriation, this year USCIS will award \$20 million in grants to organizations across the country for citizenship preparation and educational support programs. USCIS accepted applications under four Notices of Funding Opportunities, two of which were new initiatives that called for innovations in citizenship education and for national and/or regional collaborative approaches. See the [Citizenship Grantee Program webpage](#) for more information.
- **Adult Citizenship Education Seminars and Citizenship Education Network Building** – USCIS regularly conducts on-site citizenship training seminars for adult educators across the country. In early 2022, USCIS began pairing these trainings with stakeholder outreach meetings to build a Citizenship Education Network (CEN). This year, USCIS is holding seminars and corresponding CEN meetings in celebration of Citizenship Day in Kansas City, Kansas and Missouri (September 7-9) and in Northwest Arkansas (September 14-16).

- **Naturalization Engagement for T-U-VAWA-SIJ Beneficiary Stakeholders** – USCIS is participating in a webinar with Department of Justice partner the National Immigrant Women’s Advocacy Project (NIWAP) on September 23 to address the naturalization questions and concerns of stakeholders working with recipients of the following immigration benefits: Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) self-petitioners, Special Immigrant Juveniles (SIJs), and U and T visa recipient survivors. [Click here to register for the event.](#)
- **Encouraging Law School Naturalization-Focused Days of Service** – On August 10, USCIS held a national engagement with law schools around the country to encourage naturalization-focused days of service and to facilitate sharing of ideas and engagement plans. Over 50 law schools participated, with many committing to pro bono naturalization support initiatives in September 2022 and beyond. USCIS will continue exploring ways to partner with this growing network.

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