

FAMILY REUNIFICATION

For family members of Afghan Nationals residing in the United States

I-730 Refugee/Asylee Relative "Follow to Join" Petition

Petitioner: Refugees, Asylees, and Lawful Permanent Residents who were refugees or asylees (Only the Principal Applicant can petition)

Beneficiary: Spouse and unmarried children under 21*

SIV "Follow to Join"

Petitioner: Special Immigrant granted Lawful Permanent Resident status (I-485 approved)

Beneficiary: Spouse and unmarried children under 21**

P-3 Affidavit of Relationship (AOR) Family Reunification

Petitioner: Refugees and asylees, Lawful Permanent Residents who were formerly refugees or asylees, Lawful Permanent Residents through the SIV process

Beneficiary: Spouse, unmarried children under 21, and parents; special circumstance add-ons

I-130 Petition for Alien Relative

Petitioner: Lawful Permanent Resident (Green Card Holder)
Beneficiary: Spouse and unmarried children under 21

Petitioner: U.S. Citizen
Beneficiary: Spouse, married and unmarried children, parents, and siblings

Filing time limit: 2 years of admission (refugee) or grant of asylum status (asylee). Can be extended on humanitarian grounds at USCIS' discretion

Beneficiaries must be able to access a country with U.S. consular processing to complete any interviews and other requirements

*If children are close to turning 21 when parents apply (or they go over 21 during the pendency of the application, there may be age-out protections under the Child Status Protection Act

No Fee

**Can only access follow-to-join process if family relationship existed when the principal adjusted status

Beneficiaries must be able to access a country with U.S. consular processing to complete any interviews and other requirements

Special immigrants granted LPR status should contact the NVC at NVCSIV@state.gov to request consular processing for the spouse and/or children as derivative beneficiaries

No Fee

Filing time limit: 5 years of admission (refugee) or grant of asylum status (asylee)

Beneficiaries must generally reside outside of their country of origin and go through refugee processing

No Fee

Beneficiaries must be present in a country with U.S. Embassy or Consulate for application processing

Fee: \$535 plus additional fees to the Department of State for immigrant visa processing

Fee