



## Immigration relief for Victims of Human Trafficking and Other Crimes

### What is a U-Visa or a T-Visa (also known as U Non-Immigrant Status, T Non-Immigrant Status)?

The protection to non-citizen victim(s) of qualifying crimes or severe forms of trafficking. The visas provide non-citizen victim(s) with Lawful status for up to 4 years, work permit, and may offer lawful status to qualifying family members. Encouraging victims of the immigrant community to report serious crimes.

### Eligibility

- Must be a victim of qualifying criminal activity.
- Has specific, credible, and reliable information about the qualifying crime
- Was, is being, or is likely to be helpful to the certifying agency in the detection, investigation, prosecution, conviction, or sentencing of the qualifying crime.
- Suffered substantial physical or mental abuse because of the qualifying crime
- Is admissible to the United States

### Qualifying Crimes, including any attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit the following crimes:

- Felonious Assault
- Manslaughter
- Sexual
- Abduction

- Female Genital Mutilation
- Murder
- Abusive Sexual Contact
- Fraud in Foreign Labor Contracting
- Obstruction of Justice
- Blackmail
- Hostage
- Peonage
- Domestic Violence
- Incest
- Perjury
- Extortion
- Involuntary Servitude
- Prostitution
- False Imprisonment
- Kidnapping
- Rape
- Sexual Assault
- Sexual Exploitation
- Slave Trade Stalking
- Torture
- Trafficking
- Witness Tampering
- Unlawful Criminal Restraint

Victim is responsible for applying for T Non-Immigrant or U Non-Immigrant status. Certifying officials can fill out the I-918b form and victim must submit to USCIS. Any federal, state, tribal, territorial, or local law enforcement agency, prosecutor, judge, or other authority that has responsibility to detect, investigate, or prosecute, the qualifying criminal activity, or convict or sentence a perpetrator, also, agencies with criminal investigation jurisdiction, Child Protective services, the Equal Opportunity Commission, and federal and state Departments of Labor, can complete this form.

**For more information, please visit the U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations services at [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov) or call ACOVA at 719-583-6434 or 719-553-2460.**

## **C.R.S 38-12-402 Protection for Victims of unlawful sexual behavior, stalking and domestic violence.**

- Landlord shall not include in the lease that they will terminate agreement if victim has had contact at the residence with Law Enforcement due to situation involving Domestic Violence, Domestic Abuse, unlawful sexual behavior, or stalking.
- Victim can notify landlord in writing that they are a victim of the Unlawful sexual behavior, stalking, domestic violence, or other specific domestic abuse victimizations.
- Victim can vacate premises without further obligation except for one month's rent within the following 90 days after the vacating the premises. Landlord is not obligated to return Security Deposit until said rent is paid and all repairs have been completed.
- Victim must provide evidence of crime committed within 60 days prior to notice being submitted to landlord.
  - Law Enforcement Report
  - Valid Protection Order
  - Written statement from:
    - Medical Professional
    - Application Assistant
    - Victim Advocate
    - Victim must disclose crime and new address to landlord upon vacating premises. Landlord shall not disclose information to anyone without the consent of the victim or as landlord is required by law.
    - Nothing authorizes termination of tenancy and eviction of a residential tenant because they are a victim of Unlawful sexual behavior, stalking or Domestic Violence.

## **Address Confidentiality Program**

Victims of domestic violence, sexual offenses, or stalking can apply for a legal substitute address to provide to state and local government agencies. It is a mail forwarding service that is completely confidential.

### **Eligibility requirements:**

- Applicant must be a survivor who fears for safety from an actual or threatened incident of Sexual Assault, domestic Violence, or stalking/ harassment.
- Applicant must provide evidence of Victimization.
  - Law Enforcement Report
  - Restraining Order
  - Documentation from Courts
  - Letter from Victim service agency
- Applicant must have moved in the last 90 days or plan on moving soon.
- Applicant must be able to complete address changes. This service does not automatically change or update address.
- Applicant's mail will be delayed 3-5 days
- Packages are not accepted and will not be forwarded.
- Applicant must be capable of self-advocating to ask to use ACP address and making request to have their information redacted from public records.
- Applicant must have safety plan in addition to in addition to ACP address program.

For more information C.R.S 24-30-2101

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