



South Asian American Voices For Impact

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Naturalization Workshops offered by New Americans Campaign (www.detroitnac.org)

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Citizenship Workshops brought to you by South Asian American Voices for Impact (www.saa-vi.org) and International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit.



Workshop Details (9 am – 1 pm) When: Saturday, July 9, 2022

Where: Bhartiya Temple Troy 6850 N Adams Rd, Troy, MI 48098

Telephone: (248) 879 2552

U.S. Citizenship Eligibility Requirements

Permanent résidence : You are a Lawful Permanent Resident. **Continuous residence :** You have lived in the U.S. for at least 5 yrs. since you became an LPR.

- Or 1) you have lived in the U.S. for at least 3 yrs. since you became an LPR, and 2) you are married to a U.S. citizen, and 3) you have been married to him/her for at least 3 yrs., and 4) he/she has been a U.S. citizen for at least 3 yrs.
- Or 1) you lived in the US for at least 3 yrs. since you became an LPR, and 2) you obtained your green card through VAWA or because you were abused by your husband/wife or your parent

Physical presence: You have been physically present in the U.S. for at least 2¹/₂ yrs. out of the past 5 yrs.

• Or 1) You meet either of the above 3-yr "continuous residence" requirements, and 2) you have been physically present in the U.S. for at least 1½ yrs. out of the past 3 yrs.

English: You can speak, read, and write Basic English

- Or you are at least 55 yrs. old and have been an LPR for at least 15 yrs.
- Or you are at least 50 yrs. old and have been an LPR for at least 20 yrs.

Civics: You know or can learn U.S. government and history **Good moral character:** You were never convicted of any felonies.

You will need to bring the following Documents to the workshop:

- Your Permanent Resident Card ("green card")
- Your driver's license or state ID card.
- Your Social Security numbers
- If you are married to a U.S. citizen, his/her birth certificate and/or certificate of naturalization
- All marriage certificates and divorce records
- Your children's birth certificates if they are also permanent residents.
- List of residences for the past five years.
- List of employers/schools for the past five years.
- List of all trips outside the U.S. for the past five years (including to Canada and Mexico).
- Check or money order for \$725 payable to the Department of Homeland Security, OR You may qualify for a fee waiver.

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