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### *African Services Committee* (BIA Recognized Agency)

429 West 127th Street  
New York, NY 10027

Services Provided – Immigration legal services, interpretation (some staff speak Haitian Creole, most staff speak French), housing for HIV/Aids clients. Our plan is to assist first our Haitian clients to apply for TPS and then assist other Haitians to do the same as our legal manpower and other logistics allow us.

#### **Please call to make appointment**

**Contact Person** - Getachew Fikremariam, [getachewf@africanservices.org](mailto:getachewf@africanservices.org) Tel: (212) 222-3882 ext. 108, Fax: (212) 222-7067 -- Hours – Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

### *Cabrini Immigrant Services* (BIA Recognized Agency)

139 Henry Street  
New York, NY 10002

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (including TPS and Family-based petitions)

Contact Person – Sr. Kelly Carpenter

Further Contact Info - Tel: (212) 791-4590, Fax: (212) 791-4592

Hours – Monday-Friday by appointment

### **CAMBA Legal Services** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (including TPS filing), interpretation

Contact Person – Nasmine Aly

Further Contact Info - 2211 Church Avenue, Room 301 Brooklyn, New York, Tel: (718) 940-6311 for an Appointment. French/Creole speakers available.

Hours – Currently Monday-Wednesday are allotted for assisting the public with filing TPS applications (**By appointment only**)

### *CARECEN* (Attorney on Staff)

Services Provided – TPS assistance for a fee, no Creole speakers so applicant must speak English or bring a translator

Contact Person – Pat Young, [pycarecen@aol.com](mailto:pycarecen@aol.com)

Further Contact Info - 91 N. Franklin Hempstead, N.Y. 11550 (516) 489-8330 M-F 9am to 5pm; 2000 Brentwood Rd. Second Floor Brentwood, N.Y. 11717 (631) 273-8721 M-W 10am to 6pm

### **Catholic Charities Community Services of the Archdiocese of New York** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided – Special intake day every Wednesday (**through November 15, 2011**) for Haitians interested in applying for TPS from 3pm-5pm at our Manhattan office. Until we can coordinate with volunteer translators, applicants should come with a translator if they speak neither English nor French. We will provide consultations on eligibility and assistance with TPS filings to those who are eligible. We will also provide assistance with fee waiver requests.

Contact Person – Raluca Oncioiu, [Raluca.Oncioiu@archny.org](mailto:Raluca.Oncioiu@archny.org)  
Further Contact Info – 1011 First Ave, between 55th and 56th Streets, on the 12th floor,  
Tel: (212) 419-3700  
Hours–Special intake every Wednesday from 3pm-5pm. Walk-ins welcome.

***Catholic Charities – Immigrant Services Long Island*** (Attorney on Staff)

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (including TPS applications), interpretation and translation services  
Contact Person - Carmen Maquilon ([Maquilon.carmen@catholiccharities.cc](mailto:Maquilon.carmen@catholiccharities.cc)) and Maryse DeVastey  
([Devastey.maryse@catholiccharities.cc](mailto:Devastey.maryse@catholiccharities.cc))

Further Contact Info - 143 Schlegel Boulevard, Amityville, NY 11701, Tel: (631) 789-5210, Fax: (631) 789-5245,  
Website: [www.catholiccharities.cc](http://www.catholiccharities.cc)

Hours – Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm, Tuesdays (First four Tuesdays of the month) 9am-7:30pm

\*Catholic Charities also provides services out thirteen different parishes through Long Island, please call for details.

***Catholic Migration Office of Brooklyn and Queens*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (including TPS), immigration counseling services, interpretation/translation services, will travel to local Parish or community organization to provide services  
Contact Person – People who seek legal representation in TPS filings should call 718-236-3000 and ask for Angela. We will make an appt but there is a wait of a couple of weeks due to existing clients.

***Further Contact Info -***

Queens Office

47-01 Queens Blvd., Sunnyside

Tel: (347) 472-3502, Fax: (718) 392-5170

Brooklyn Office

1258 65th Street

Brooklyn, NY 11219

Tel: (718) 236-3000, Fax: (718) 256-9707

Hours – Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

***Central American Legal Services*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided - Immigration legal services, TPS form preparation/trouble-shooting. We do not speak French or Creole. Haitians who do not speak English will need to bring an English-speaking friend.

Contact Person – Anne Pilsbury and/or Betsy Plum

Further Contact Info – Tel: (718) 486-6800, Fax: (718) 486-5287,

Hours - Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm. Walk-ins accepted.

***Church World Service*** (CWS) (Attorneys on Staff)

Church World Service Immigration and Refugee Program requires a consultation to determine eligibility and will then schedule a follow-up to complete the TPS application. CWS will not accept walk-ins, but interested individuals should make an appointment.

Intake will be on Wednesdays by appointment only.

Location: 475 Riverside Dr. Suite 700, New York, NY 10115-0050. Take the 1 train to 116th Street. When you exit the subway, walk east on 116th Street. The next street you should come to is Claremont Street and then Riverside Drive. Take a right onto Riverside Drive and walk north until you reach 475 Riverside Drive. When you enter the building make sure you alert the security guard that you have an appointment with Church World Services.

Contact: CWS at 212-870-2814 for an appointment. Please leave a voice message with name, phone number, and a brief message. These messages will be returned promptly.

***CUNY Citizenship Now!*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (TPS included)

CUNY CN! has offices in each borough of NYC. To find an office, visit their website at:

<http://web.cuny.edu/about/citizenship/about-us/centers.html> or see below.

***CUNY Citizenship Now!***

Medgar Evers Immigration Center

1150 Carroll Street  
Brooklyn NY 11225  
718-270-6292  
Free immigration legal services

***CUNY Citizenship Now!***  
City College Immigration Center  
North Academic Center  
138th and Convent Avenue, Room 1-206  
New York, NY 10031  
212-650-6620  
Free immigration legal services

***CUNY Citizenship Now!***  
York College Immigration Center  
Welcome Center Atrium  
94-20 Guy R. Brewer Blvd.  
Jamaica, NY 11451  
718-262-2983  
Free immigration legal services

***CUNY Citizenship Now!***  
Flushing Immigration Center  
39-07 Prince Street, Suite 2B  
Flushing, NY 11354  
718-640-9223  
Free Immigration legal services

***CUNY Citizenship Now!***  
Hostos Community College Immigration Center  
427 Walton Avenue T-501  
Bronx, NY 10451  
718-518-4395  
Free immigration legal services

***CUNY Citizenship Now!***  
CUNY Xpress Immigration Center  
560 W. 181st Street  
New York NY 10033  
212-568-4692  
Free immigration legal services

***CUNY Citizenship Now!***  
College of Staten Island, El Centro and  
Project Hospitality Immigration Center at the Help Center  
514 Bay Street, Staten Island NY 10314  
Staten Island, NY 10314  
718-982-2370  
Services only on MONDAYS  
Free immigration legal services

***Dwa Fanm Jistis Pou Fanm*** (Attorney on Staff)

Dwa Fanm is a non-profit organization that primarily provide immigration and other legal services to victims of domestic violence. Our organization began as a volunteer base to service Haitian women and human rights violations. Now we service a variety of women who are victims of domestic violence. We kept the name Dwa Fanm which means "women's rights" in Creole.

Location: 30 3rd Ave, Suite 800A, Brooklyn, NY 11217

Phone: (718) 222-6320

Contact: Mirlande Joachim, Esq. -- (718) 222-6320

***Gay Men's Health Crisis*** (GMHC)

Legal Services Department

446 W. 33rd Street

New York, NY 10001-2601

Contact: Yanira Gomez-Lopez at (212) 367-1328 for an appointment.

We can do renewals as well as initial filings for anyone living in the NYC area – they do not have to be HIV+.

***HIV Law Project, Inc.*** (Attorney on Staff)

Services Provided: Immigration, housing, benefits, future/permanency planning assistance for people living with HIV/AIDS; We will prepare TPS applications. We serve immigrants living in the 5 boros, but are limited to Bronx and Manhattan for housing cases.

Contact Name - We have an immigration intake voicemail. After July 1st, callers may leave a message and we will return the call to conduct a screen and schedule an intake. Emergency intakes can call the main number and inform the receptionist of the emergency, or contact me, Cristina Velez, Esq. at (212) 577-3001 x 613)

Location: 15 Maiden Lane, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10038

T: (212) 577-3001 x 623 (Immigration Screening voicemail)

F: (212) 577-3192 -- [www.hivlawproject.org](http://www.hivlawproject.org)

Hours: Monday through Friday: 9:30-5:30

***Housing Conservation Coordinators, Inc.***

Although the agency is not recognized by the BIA, an immigration attorney oversees the provision of legal services.

Location: 777 10th Avenue between 52nd and 53rd , Manhattan 10019

Contact: Shawn Blumberg, Esq. Bruni Reyes schedules appointments. 212 541-5996

Hours of operation: Clinics are held 2 Tuesdays a month from 5pm – 8pm. Slots are filled by appt only.

Types of legal services offered (e.g., TPS, screenings for other immigration benefits, adjustment of status, VAWA, etc.). We offer all of the above and don't charge for any immigration legal services.

***Jacob A. Riis Neighborhood Settlement House***

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (including TPS)

Contact Person – Karina Wegman, Tel: (718) 784-7447 ext. 129,

Further Contact Info - 10-25 41st Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101,

Tel: (718) 784-7447 ext. 121, Fax: (718) 729-2063, [www.riissettlement.org](http://www.riissettlement.org)

Hours – Call ahead for appointment

\*Paula Forero, attorney, provides all legal services

***Immigrant Defense Project (IDP)*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided: The IDP does not provide direct legal representation. They provide legal advice to help people who are considering applying for TPS determine whether their criminal records prevent them from applying for TPS.

Please call the IDP hotline (212-725-6422) on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:30pm-4:30pm

Please note that IDP can only provide advice on criminal bars. Callers must have criminal dispositions and any other details on the criminal case(s) available when calling.

***Lutheran Social Services of New York*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Contact Person - Lisa Bagley, [lbagley@lssny.org](mailto:lbagley@lssny.org), 212-265-1826 ext. 309

Location: 308 West 46th Street between 8th and 9th Avenue

***New York Legal Assistance Group - Immigrant Protection Unit*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (including TPS).

Interpreter available.

Contact Person – Meeta Patel

Further Contact Info - Tel: (212) 613-5036, Fax: (212) 714-7475 Hours – Monday-Wednesday by appointment only

***Safe Horizon*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided - Immigration legal services

Contact Person - Ana Nattes, Tel: 718-943-8632

Further Contact Info – 50 Court Street, 8th floor, Brooklyn, New York 11201,

Fax: (718) 943-8646

Hours – Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm (appointments generally scheduled between 10am-4pm)

***Sanctuary for Families*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided - Legal representation to Haitian victims of domestic violence who are TPS eligible

Contact Person - Julie Dinnerstein [Julie@sffny.org](mailto:Julie@sffny.org) Tel: (212) 349 6009 ext. 246

Further information:

***(1) Brooklyn residents***

Walk into the Brooklyn Family Justice Center, 350 Jay Street, 15th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201, any week day between 9 am and 3 pm (federal, state and city holidays excluded).

***(2) Queens residents***

Walk into the Queens Family Justice Center, 126-02 82nd Avenue, Kew Gardens, NY 11415, any week day between 9 am and 3 pm (federal, state and city holidays excluded).

***(3) Bronx residents***

Walk into the Bronx Family Justice Center at 198 E. 161st Street, 2nd Floor, Bronx, NY 10451, any week day between 9 am and 3 pm (federal, state and city holidays excluded).

***(4) Residents of other boroughs or NYC metro area*** (or who just prefer to call)

Voicemail at Sanctuary for Families' mail legal intake voicemail number – 212 349 6009 x246

***STEPS to End Family Violence*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services provided: legal representation to Haitian victims of domestic violence who are TPS eligible. You must call to make an appointment. You must bring your own Haitian-Creole interpreter if you do not speak English.

Contact person: Ana L. Davila, Esq., Supervising Attorney, Legal Division

Direct line (646) 315-7605 or Maureen Abell, Esq. (646) 315-7637.

Location: 151 Lawrence Street, 5th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201

***New York Annual Conference - Justice for our Neighbors*** (Attorneys on Staff)

Services Provided: Immigration legal services

***1) John Wesley United Methodist Church***

260 Quincy Street

Brooklyn, NY 11216

Tel: (718) 783-1501 (to volunteer or to make client appointments)

(In Bedford-Stuyvesant b/w Bedford and Nostrand, 3 blocks from Bedford/Nostrand subway stop on G Line)

***2) Chinese United Methodist Church***

69 Madison Street

NY, NY 10002

Tel: (212) 267-6464 (to volunteer or to make client appointments)

(@ corner of Catherine & Madison approx. 7 blocks from East Broadway subway stop on the F line)

***3) La Promesa Presbyterian Mission***

150-20 Barclay Avenue

Flushing, NY 11355

Tel: (718) 762-1647 (to volunteer or to make client appointments) (LIRR to Murray Hill station, walk 2-3 blocks to Barclay & 150 St. or 7 line to Main Street and then 10 minute taxi to Barclay & 150 St.)

**4) Hicksville United Methodist Church**

130 West Old Country Road

Hicksville, NY 11801

Tel: (516) 931-2626 (to volunteer or to make client appointments)

(LIRR to Hicksville station, approximately six blocks via Newbridge Rd and Nelson Ave)

**NEW JERSEY:**

**American Friends Service Committee** (Attorneys on Staff)

89 Market Street, 6th Floor

Newark, NJ 07102

Services Provided – Immigration legal services Contact Person – Elissa Steglich, Managing Attorney

[esteglich@afsc.org](mailto:esteglich@afsc.org), Tel: (973) 643-1924, Website: <http://www.afsc.org/> Consultations/new appointments, call

Tuesdays 11-1 (ask receptionist for consultation). No walk-ins.

**Catholic Charities of Newark** (Attorney on Staff)

Services Provided – Immigration legal services (including TPS), interpretation/translation services, helping people in immigration court, helping Haitians with criminal convictions apply for TPS

Contact Person – Rex Chen, Managing Attorney, [rchen@ccannj.org](mailto:rchen@ccannj.org)

Further Contact Info - 976 Broad Street, Newark, NJ 07102, Tel: (973) 733-3516,

Fax: (973) 733-9631, Website: [www.ccannj.org](http://www.ccannj.org)

Office Hours–Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm; Thursdays until 6:00 p.m. For information about meetings and consultations, call ahead.

**UPSTATE NEW YORK:**

**Criminal Defense Immigration Project, New York State Defenders Association** (Attorney on Staff) Services Provided - Immigration legal services (providing telephonic assistance and advice on completing TPS applications)

Contact Person - Joanne Macri, Esq., Director, [jmacri@nysda.org](mailto:jmacri@nysda.org)

Contact Info - 194 Washington Avenue, Suite 500, Albany, NY 12210, Tel: (518) 465-3524. Direct: (716) 913-

3200, Fax (518) 465-3249, Website: [www.nysda.org](http://www.nysda.org)

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm

**Buffalo**

**Journey's End Refugee Services, Inc.** (BIA Recognized Agency)

Location: 184 Barton Street, Buffalo, NY 14213

Contact: Molly Short -- 716-882-4963, ext. 215 and 716-882-4977 fax

[mshort@jersbuffalo.org](mailto:mshort@jersbuffalo.org)

[www.jersbuffalo.org](http://www.jersbuffalo.org)

**VIVE, Inc.** (BIA Recognized Agency and attorney on staff)

Location: 50 Wyoming St., Buffalo, NY 14215

Contact: Elder Ron Smith, Interim Executive Director

(716) 892-4354 or [smith1850@yahoo.com](mailto:smith1850@yahoo.com)

**Capital District:**

**Empire Justice Center** (Attorney on Staff)

119 Washington Ave.

Albany, New York 12210

Contact Person: Barbara Weiner

Phone: 518.462.6831, ex. 104 -- By appointment only

**U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants** (BIA Recognized Agency)

991 Broadway



Albany, NY 12204  
Contact: Nicole Comstock  
Phone: 518.459.1790 -- By appointment only

***Rochester Area:***

**Legal Aid of Rochester** (Attorney on Staff)  
One West Main Street, Suite 800, Rochester, NY 14614  
Contact: Walter Ruele, Esq. at 585-295-5761  
Phone 585.232.4090 or toll free (800-963-5604) -- By appointment only

Geographic area served:  
ALLEGANY CATTARAUGUS CHAUTAUQUA GENESEE LIVINGSTON  
MONROE NIAGARA ONTARIO ORLEANS SENECA  
STEUBEN WAYNE WYOMING YATES

***Syracuse Area:***

**Hiscock Legal Aid** (Attorney on Staff)  
351 South Warren Street  
Syracuse, NY 13202  
Contact: Pat Tracy  
Phone: 315.422.8191 ext. 159 or toll free (800- 963-5604) -- By appointment only

***Geographic area served:***

*BROOME CAYUGA CHEMUNG CHENANGO CORTLAND  
DELAWARE HERKIMER JEFFERSON LEWIS MADISON  
ONEIDA ONONDAGA OSWEGO OTSEGO SCHUYLER  
TIOGA TOMPKINS*

***Westchester County***

**Westchester Hispanic Coalition** (Attorney on Staff)  
46 Waller Avenue  
White Plains, New York 10605  
Contact: Lindsay Arroyo, Esq. -- [lvargas@hispaniccoalition.org](mailto:lvargas@hispaniccoalition.org) and (914) 948-8466 and FAX 914-948-0311  
They will provide low-cost legal services to help Haitian nationals apply for TPS.

***Empire Justice Center*** (Attorneys on Staff)

80 North Broadway, White Plains, NY 10603)  
Contact: Robert Cisneros, Esq. (914) 422.4329; [rcisneros@law.pace.edu](mailto:rcisneros@law.pace.edu); Linda Bennett-Rodriguez, Esq. (914) 422.4329; [lbennett@law.pace.edu](mailto:lbennett@law.pace.edu); Daniel Villena Esq., (914.) 22.4671; [dvillena@empirejustice.org](mailto:dvillena@empirejustice.org)). Also, we are in the process of arranging interpreters.

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