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Aristeo Garcia and Saida Linval, proudly showing their Citizenship certificates

HACES Offers Comprehensive Citizenship Services

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Naturalization is an important milestone in the path toward U.S. citizenship, and while there are many benefits to citizenship, including the right to vote, the path to get there can be challenging. HACES helps make each client's journey easier by providing comprehensive immigration services, including office consultations and group workshops.

On Friday, March 25, HACES hosted a group workshop to provide lawful permanent residents information on citizenship eligibility, and to assist with completion of citizenship applications. **A mix of staff and volunteers helped 24** people complete their applications. Attendees received assistance with eligibility screening, including reviewing immigration and residency requirements, assessing their level of English and civic knowledge and providing legal reviews. The purpose of the workshops is to:

- Provide lawful permanent residents with assistance and information on how to become citizens - through legal screenings, application assistance and referrals for ESL and citizenship instruction.
- Provide information on resources available to applicants including referrals to legal and other services beyond the path to citizenship.



"This makes me excited that one day I will be a citizen."

- Andrea

"Thank you for walking me through this process and answering my questions, it feels so much easier."

- Maria Guadalupe

Last fiscal year, HACES helped over **135 legal permanent residents** become naturalized US citizens. Our citizenship education classes are taught twice a week in English and Spanish by qualified and trained volunteer instructors, **46 individuals** prepared for citizenship remotely. If you or someone you know can benefit from our services, **please call our offices at 847-244-0300**.



Save the Date | Family Fun Walk & Run

Join HACES Saturday, June 4, 2022 for our first ever Family Fun Walk & Run! This event will be an exciting 5k fundraiser featuring entertainment, games, and prizes!



When:

Saturday, June 4



Time:

Packet Pickup @ 7:30 am
Event @ 8:30 am



Where:

Independence Grove,
16400 Buckley Rd,
Libertyville, IL 60048

Please donate today!



The needs of the community are great and HACES is stretching itself to serve even more of those needs. We are very grateful for your support and hope that you can help us help even more in 2022. Please consider a monthly donation, click on the link below today!

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