



Dear Friends:

Nassau County is home to immigrants from countries around the world. Bringing with them unique traditions, culture and history, immigrants enrich the lives of everyone in our communities.

Unfortunately, immigrants can also be victims of crimes and witnesses to crimes in our communities. Those who do not speak English well, or who are not familiar with the laws of this country, are particularly vulnerable to criminals.

That is why I created the Office of Immigrant Affairs, to protect individuals from being victimized and to encourage victims and witnesses to come forward. Our goal is to enhance the safety of all Nassau residents. Reach out to us, we are here to help.

Sincerely,

Madeline Singas

How We Can Help

The services we provide include:

- Investigating complaints of fraud perpetrated against immigrants
- Helping immigrant victims navigate the criminal justice system
- Fraud prevention education
- Community outreach
- Referral services

**Regardless of Immigration Status,
Contact Us Confidentially:**

Hotline number: 516-571-7756

Email: OIA@NassauDA.org

Web: Visit www.nassauda.org, then click, "Contact the DA"

In Person: NCDCA Complaint Unit,
272 Old Country Road, Mineola, NY
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Immigrant Affairs

JUSTICE FOR ALL



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District Attorney



Office of Immigrant Affairs

The Immigrant Affairs initiative of the Nassau County District Attorney's Office addresses the victimization of immigrants who are often targeted for criminal schemes related to legal services, employment, wages, and housing. Many immigrants are not familiar with the legal system of the United States and may have difficulty with the English language – making them especially vulnerable to criminals.

This program is meant to encourage both victims and witnesses to seek help. The District Attorney's Office treats a victim's immigration status with confidentiality. Our goal is to protect all residents of Nassau County and support them when they seek justice.

“We want to send the message loud and clear to immigrants who are victims or witnesses to crimes: we speak your language, and we are here to help you.” -- Madeline Singas, District Attorney of Nassau County

COOPERATING WITH US WILL NOT AFFECT YOUR IMMIGRATION STATUS



Let us help!

Examples of frauds/scams the DA's Office of Immigrant Affairs pursues:

- Individuals who pretend to be attorneys and give legal advice when they are not licensed attorneys;
- People who promise immigrants green cards or work visas that they cannot provide;
- Construction companies that hire immigrants to work but do not pay them the salary required by law;
- Fraudulent or abusive labor practices;
- Individuals who produce and sell fraudulent social security cards, licenses, passports and other documents;
- Individuals or businesses that offer housing and other services but just take your money and disappear;
- “Notario” fraud – Most notaries are not lawyers and cannot give legal advice or represent you.
- Individuals who pretend to be immigration agents and offer special favors services in exchange for money;

Mission:

To help Nassau County's immigrant population seek assistance from the criminal justice system, to coordinate the prosecution of immigrant-related crime, and to uncover complex fraud schemes primarily targeting the immigrant population.

TYPES OF CRIMES:

- Child Abuse
- Cybercrime/ID Theft
- Domestic Violence
- Elder Abuse
- Employment Fraud
- Financial Crimes
- Hate Crimes
- Immigration Fraud
- Human Trafficking
- Public Corruption
- Sex Crimes