SAVE™

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STAKEHOLDERS

What is SAVE?

The Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements program, called SAVE, is an information service of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, a component of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Federal, State and local benefit-granting agencies use SAVE to help ensure they are issuing benefits to individuals entitled to receive them.

A Unique Service

SAVE is the only information service of its kind, providing applicant immigration status to benefit-granting agencies. To provide this service, SAVE accesses millions of records contained in federal databases available to DHS.

Maintaining Integrity

SAVE provides fast, secure, and reliable immigration status information so registered agencies can maintain the integrity of their programs. SAVE supports benefit-granting agencies by promoting:

- Efficient use of time and resources
- Interagency collaboration
- Customer service

Agencies pay only a small fee for each verification case.

Giving Agencies More Certainty

SAVE is a fast, secure, reliable and efficient resource to help ensure that only eligible applicants receive public benefits.

SAVE confirms an applicant's naturalized or derived citizenship or immigration status to help a registered agency determine eligibility for benefits they administer. Only the agency makes the final determination of an applicant's eligibility to receive a benefit.

Primary SAVE Legislation

1986
Immigration Reform and Control Act

1996
Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act

1996
Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act

Learn more about SAVE at www.uscis.gov/SAVE.