

## Parole in Place

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services may grant parole in place on a case-by-case basis for urgent humanitarian reasons or significant public benefit under section 212(d)(5)(A) of the INA. You may be eligible for parole in place in 1-year increments if you are one of the following service members, or are the spouse, widow(er), parent, son, or daughter of one of the following service members:

- Active-duty member of the U.S. armed forces;
- Individual in the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve; or
- Individual who (whether still living or deceased) previously served on active duty or in the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve and was not dishonorably discharged.

Parole in place may be granted only to individuals who are present without admission and are therefore applicants for admission. If you were admitted to the U.S. lawfully but are present in the U.S. beyond the period of stay authorized), you are not eligible for parole in place because you are not an applicant for admission. However, you may qualify for deferred action. See the Deferred Action section below for more information.

To request parole in place, you must submit the following to the [USCIS office](#) with jurisdiction over your place of residence (military families on assignment in an area different from their permanent place of residence may submit their request to the office with jurisdiction over either location):

- Completed [Form I-131, Application for Travel Document](#) (without fee). You must handwrite “Military PIP” in Part 2 instead of checking a box;
- Evidence of the family relationship, such as:
  - Marriage certificate;
  - Documentation of termination of previous marriage;
  - Son or daughter’s birth certificate;
  - Current or former service member’s birth certificate with parent’s name; or
  - Proof of enrollment in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS);
- Evidence that your family member is a current or former member of the U.S. armed forces, such as a photocopy of the front and back of the service member’s military identification card or DD Form 214;
- For parents of current and former service members of the U.S. armed forces, evidence the current or former service member supports the application for parole in place;
- Two identical, color passport-style photographs; and
- Evidence of any additional favorable discretionary factors that you would like us to consider.

For information about parole in place and how to apply, see the [Adjudicator’s Field Manual Chapter 21.1\(c\)\(1\) \(PDF, 1.82 MB\)](#).