



EMERALD ISLE IMMIGRATION CENTER

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE EIIC

The Emerald Isle Immigration Center's highly qualified staff assists clients in many aspects of immigrant life and law. The EIIC prides itself on the extraordinary services it provides. These services include:

IMMIGRATION INFORMATION



EIIC immigration services will provide you with essential information on the procedures for most immigration matters; such as re-entry permits, lost or replacement green cards, all visa types, etc. EIIC also offers a citizenship program, by appointment, where you can be photographed and assisted with the application forms. EIIC has helped thousands of immigrants become U.S. citizens. The EIIC strongly urges those eligible to pursue citizenship and play an active role in American life. The EIIC also has an attorney on staff for individual consultations.

EMPLOYMENT

This is a free service available to all. Through our employment services we have successfully referred hundreds of job seekers. The Center will help those looking for work or employers looking for quality employees. The Center also advises on how to conduct a successful job-search in the United States, which is often a daunting task for many newcomers.



SOCIAL SERVICES

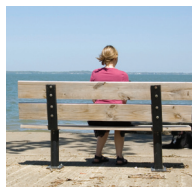
EIIC provides a variety of social services such as current rules on driver's licenses, banking information, accommodation, landlord issues, health insurance and information on area hospitals and doctors.

EIIC's dedicated seniors' counselor is trained to assist our 60+ constituents with a number of common concerns and questions. Senior programs and activities are currently being expanded. Call the Seniors Coordinator at Ext. 208 for more details or to register for future events.

EIIC's mental health program includes individual counseling for depression, relationship issues, and substance abuse. Drop in therapy hours with a licensed clinical social worker are available. Bronx office: Thursdays, between 4-8pm; Queens: Mondays between 4-8pm. Please call Laura O'Brien 718-478-5502 Ext.104 for more details.

BILINGUAL COUNSELING/ CONSEJERO BILINGUE

EIIC provee asistencia y consejeria de inmigración. Se require cita previa para hablar con nuestros consejeros. Por favor llamar al (718) 478-5502 para concertar una cita. NUESTRA ASISTENCIA ES CONFIDENCIAL.



EDUCATION INFORMATION

EIIC encourages immigrants to take advantage of college opportunities in the United States. The Center has been highly instrumental in creating a culture of further studies among recent immigrants. EIIC has hosted numerous education seminars over the years, with the help of the American Irish Teachers Association. Our Seminars successfully bring together many prospective immigrant students and committed volunteer mentors within the community.

COMPUTER CLASSES

EIIC offers computer training courses at beginner, intermediate, and advanced skill levels.

Students receive instruction in MS Word, Excel, desktop navigation, email, and file management. Through these courses students can acquire or move beyond the basic computer knowledge required by most US employers.



HISTORY OF THE EMERALD ISLE IMMIGRATION CENTER

In the middle of the 1980's, there was a large number of undocumented Irish living in the United States. In response Irish immigrants, frustrated with their situation, formed the Irish Immigration Reform Movement (IIRM), which began to agitate for changes in immigration law. The highly successful lobbying efforts of the IIRM resulted in several positive legal changes through the introduction of the Morrison and Schumer visa schemes.

However, the IIRM realized that in addition to their legislative efforts, there was also a growing need for a center to provide day to day assistance for recent Irish immigrants. In response, the Emerald Isle Immigration Center (EIIC) was founded in 1988. Since then the Center has helped thousands apply for visas and receive green cards. It has also broadened its' scope of services and places great emphasis on civic participation.

The EIIC is a non-profit organization and is extremely grateful to the following for their support of our work:

- The Irish Government through the Department of Foreign Affairs
- The Department of the Aging and the Department of Youth and Community Development, City of New York
- City Council Speaker Christine Quinn and City Council Members Vincent Gentile, Eric Gioia, Oliver Koppel, John Liu and James Vacca
- New York State Assembly Members Ivan Lafayette, Margaret Markey and Cathy Nolan and New York State Senator Jeff Klein
- The Bronx Borough President Adolpho Carrion and Queens Borough President Helen Marshall

TWO CONVENIENT LOCATIONS

Queens: 59-26 Woodside Ave., Woodside, NY 11377
Tel: 718-478-5502 Fax: 718-446-3727

Bronx: 4275 Katonah Ave., Woodlawn, NY 10470
Tel: 718-324-3039 Fax: 718-324-7741

Directions to the EIIC can be found on our website:

www.eiic.org

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Presents a short history of Irish immigration...

c. 500 AD:



→ *Met by Native Americans and possibly their old neighbors, the Vikings*

c. 1847 AD:



→ *Met with "No Irish Need Apply" signs*

c. 1937 AD:



→ *Met by Big Joe Mullin's daughter Kate, who knows a man who's looking for help*

1987-2008:



→ *Met with legal aid, job referrals and social services from the EIIC!*