

## How To Determine If You Are Eligible For U Visa/ U Nonimmigrant Status:

## 1) What is U Visa/ U Nonimmigrant Status?

The U nonimmigrant status (U visa) is set for victims of certain crimes who have suffered mental or physical abuse and are helpful to law enforcement or government officials in the investigation or prosecution of criminal activity. When the U visa petition is approved, applicants will obtain U Nonimmigrant status and can apply for a green card after 3 years of maintaining U Nonimmigrant status continuously in the U.S.

## 2) You may be eligible for a U nonimmigrant visa if:

- You are the victim of qualifying criminal activity.
- You have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as a result of having been a victim of criminal activity.
- You were helpful, are helpful, or are likely to be helpful to law enforcement in the investigation or prosecution of the crime.
- The crime occurred in the United States or violated U.S. laws.
- You are admissible to the United States, or are able to apply for a waiver.