



UNITED LATINOS OF THE UFCW

NEW AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP FUND

2021-2022

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The New American Citizenship Fund is made possible by UFCW local union support to the United Latinos of the UFCW. The Award is for UFCW members who have recently become U.S. citizens and who have demonstrated a strong commitment to building a stronger voice for workers in their Union and in their community through active engagement in advancing social and economic justice.

The United Latinos of the UFCW has created a special fund that will distribute awards in the amount of \$600.00 per member. The New American Citizenship Fund is open to all UFCW members and will renew every year pending a vote from the United Latinos Board.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE & HOW TO APPLY:

- Applicants must be UFCW members in good standing at the time of the application and commit to becoming active participants in their Union and in their communities.
- Applicants must agree to provide a minimum of ten (10) volunteer hours to a project, program, or campaign as designated by the sponsoring UFCW Local Union.
- UFCW members applying for the New American Citizenship Fund must provide a copy of their naturalization certificate and proof of payment to USCIS dated on or after **December 1, 2019.**
- Applicants must provide a sponsor letter from their UFCW Local Union President along with all supporting documents and forms and submit to: **UnitedLatinos@ufcw2.org**

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST:

- Sponsor letter from Local Union President
- Copy of Naturalization Certificate
- Proof of payment to USCIS
- Media Release Form
- Member Photo and Quote





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PLEASE NOTE IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- The application period is from **12/1/2021 to 3/1/2022**
- We will only consider applications submitted during that application period.
- All awards are based on available funds.
- Each applicant may only apply once for the award.
- If you have previously applied and have not been awarded you must resubmit your application and qualify under the new requirements.
- Make sure to include the number of years/months of membership in the sponsor letter.
- Include a Local Union contact information that we can reach out to (name, email, and phone number).
- All copies or scanned documents must be legible!
- Member's photos must be in electronic format (no scanned photocopies please).
- Attach proof in case of the applicant's change of name.

NOTIFICATION:

Awards will be granted until the fund is exhausted. In the event that happens, Locals will be notified. If awarded, the United Latinos of the UFCW will send the check to UFCW Local Union President by mail, in the following order:

Applications received December 1 through December 31 will receive checks the first week of February
Applications received January 1 through January 31 will receive checks the first week of March
Applications received February 1 through February 28 will receive checks the first week of April

We will try and adhere to this timeline, and please note that unforeseen circumstances may delay the process.

NO AWARD WILL BE GIVEN UNLESS ALL REQUIREMENTS ARE SATISFIED



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SAMPLE LETTER OF SUPPORT

Date

Via e-mail

United Latinos of the UFCW
Martin Rosas, Secretary-Treasurer
UnitedLatinos@ufcw2.org

Re: The New American Citizenship Fund

Dear President Rosas,

I am the president of UFCW Local _____. It is with great pleasure that I write this letter in support of _____. She/he/they has/have been a member of local _____ for _____ years. He/she/they is/are a member in good standing and have committed to volunteer a minimum of 10 hours to our Local. I am proud to support their application to the New American Citizenship Fund and welcome the opportunity to count a member of our local as a “New American” in our Union and in our community. Enclosed, please find proof of the application fee paid to USCIS and a copy of the applicants Naturalization Certificate along with all supporting documents. We request your consideration for the \$600.00 New American Citizenship Fund on behalf of

_____.

Sincerely,





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MEDIA RELEASE FORM

I, _____, grant permission to the United Latinos of the UFCW, hereinafter known as the "Media" to use my image (photographs and/or video) for use in Media publications including:

(Check All That Apply)

- Videos - Email Blasts - Recruiting Brochures - Newsletters - Magazines
- General Publications - Website and/or Affiliates

I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finished photographs or electronic matter that may be used in conjunction with them now or in the future, whether that use is known to me or unknown, and I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising from or related to the use of the image.

Please initial the paragraph below which is applicable to your present situation:

_____ - I am 20 years of age or older and I am competent to contract in my own name. I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning and impact of this release. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this release by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this release.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (please print): _____

Why I applied to become a U.S. Citizen?, How will the New American Citizenship Scholarship help me in the process of becoming a citizen, or How has my local supported me in becoming a U.S. Citizen?



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FORMA DE AUTORIZACION

Yo, _____, me permito autorizar a United Latinos de UFCW para usar mi imagen (ya sea en fotografia o video) para su uso en medios de comunicacion y publicaciones, incluyenyo:

(Marque todas las que aplican)

- Videos - Email Masivos - Redes Sociales y Contenido Digital - Medios Impresos
- Avisos Publicitarios - Pagina Web y Afiliadas

Por la presente renuncio a cualquier derecho de inspeccionar o aprobar las fotografias editadas, videos, o material electronico que pueda ser usado en respecto ahora o en el futuro, ya sea que su uso sea conocido o desconocido, y renuncio a cualquier derecho de regalias u otra compensacion que surja o este relacionadas con el uso de la imagen.

Por favor, escriba sus iniciales en el parrago que aplicque a la represente situacion:

_____ - Tengo 20 años o mas y tengo competencia legal para contratar en nombre propio. He leido esta autorizacion antes de firmarla y entiendo en su totalidad su contenido, significado e impacto. Entiendo que soy libre de realizar cualuier pregunta especifica en relacion con esta autorizacion por escrito y previo a la firma de este, y estoy de acuerdo en que el no hacerlo sera interpretado como una aceptacion libre y con conocimiento de los terminos de esta autorizacion.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (please print): _____

¿Porque solicite convertirme en ciudadano de los EE.UU? ¿Como me ayudara esta beca en el proceso de convertirme en ciudadano o como me ha apoyado mi Union Local para convertirme en ciudadano de los EE.UU?



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FINAL REVIEW & VOLUNTEER FORM

Full Name/**Nombre Completo** _____

If you changed your name/**Si cambio de nombre** _____

Employer/**Empleador** _____

Phone Number/**Numero de Tel** _____

Mailing Address/**Domicilio** _____

Last four of SSN/ **Ultimos cuatro de SSN** _____

I/**Yo** _____, agree to provide a minimum of ten (10) volunteer hours to a project, program or campaign designated by my UFCW Local Union. **Estoy de acuerdo en proporcionar un mínimo de diez (10) horas como voluntarie en un proyecto, programa o campaña designado por mi Unión Local de UFCW.**

Signature/**Firma**: _____ Date: _____

Local Union Contact Information

Local Union _____ Region _____

Contact Person _____ Email _____

Phone Number _____

INTERNAL USE ONLY:

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Approved By _____ **Date** _____ **Check #** _____ **Check Date** _____

