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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services administers the nation's lawful immigration system, safeguarding its integrity and promise by efficiently and fairly adjudicating requests for immigration benefits while protecting Americans, securing the homeland, and honoring our values.

Website	http://www.uscis.gov
Industries	Government Administration
Company size	10,001+ employees
Headquarters	Washington, D.C.
Type	Government Agency
Founded	2003
Specialties	E-Verify

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Today we honor **US Navy** Chief Watertender and naturalized citizen Peter Tomich, awarded the Medal of Honor for sacrificing his life to save others during the attack on Pearl Harbor, 80 years ago today. Tomich ordered his men to leave the boiler room below deck on USS Utah after the ship was torpedoed. He stayed to secure the boilers before they could explode, allowing others to escape. USCIS has named our headquarters conference center in his honor. #PearlHarbor80



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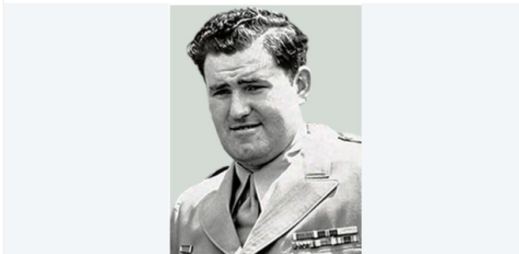


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#OTD 80 years ago, Japanese pilots bombed U.S. ships at Pearl Harbor, an event that brought the U.S. into World War II. Scholars estimate that more than 300,000 immigrants served in the U.S. armed forces during World War II, with more than 100,000 becoming #NewUSCitizens, like [US Army Sgt. Charles A. MacGillivray](#). He volunteered for military service following Pearl Harbor and naturalized in 1944. President Harry Truman presented Sgt. MacGillivray with the Medal of Honor at the White House in 1945. USCIS salutes all immigrant military service members, past and present.



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During a special naturalization ceremony in honor of the USCIS Asylum Corps' 30th anniversary USCIS Director Jaddou presented Otto Padrón, president and CEO of Meruelo Media, with the Outstanding Americans by Choice award. This award recognizes the outstanding achievements of naturalized U.S. citizens.

At six years old, Padrón and his family left their native Cuba for Madrid, Spain, to escape the communist regime, before relocating to the U.S. five years later. In addition to his executive role at [The Meruelo Group](#), Padrón is a colonel in the [US Army Reserve](#) with nearly 40 years of military service. He's an infantry officer with a distinguished service record in some of the most demanding active-duty units in the Army. He currently holds a leadership position with the 84th Training Command based at Fort Hunter Liggett, California.
Thank you for all that you do Col. Padrón and for choosing the U.S. as your home.




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It was a proud day for USCIS as we naturalized one of our own. Tony Faumuina, originally from American Samoa, is now officially a #NewUSCitizen. Tony's parents encouraged to come to the U.S. for his education and a better life. Tony shared that coming to the U.S. was challenging but worth it. He served in the [United States Air Force Reserves](#) for 14 years, worked for the [United States Department of Defense, U.S. Customs and Border Protection](#), and now serves as an operations support specialist at our field office in St. Paul, Minnesota.





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On an average day we:

- Adjudicate more than 28,000 requests for various immigration benefits.
- Process 3,100 applications to sponsor relatives and future spouses.
- Analyze nearly 600 tips, leads, cases and detections for potential fraud, public safety and national security concerns.
- Process refugee applications around the world in support of the refugee admissions ceiling of 125,000 refugees for fiscal year 2022.
- Grant asylum to 25 individuals already in the United States.
- Screen 170 people for protection based on a credible fear of persecution or torture if they return home.
- Serve 800 people at in-person appointments for document services and other urgent needs.
- Fingerprint and photograph 12,000 people at 130 application support centers.
- Approve applications and petitions to help unite 5 foreign-born orphans with the Americans who want to adopt them.
- Grant lawful permanent residence to more than 2,000 people and issue nearly 5,400 Green Cards.
- Welcome 3,200 new citizens at naturalization ceremonies—that's one every 27 seconds. Typically, about 35 of these new citizens are members of the U.S. armed forces.
- Ensure the employment eligibility of 100,000 new hires in the United States.
- Receive 50,000 phone calls to our toll-free phone line and more than 150,000 inquiries and service requests via online accounts and digital self-help tools.
- Receive 986,000 visitor sessions to our website.
- Conduct automated verifications on employment eligibility and immigration status for more than 136,000 cases in E-Verify and 66,000 cases in SAVE.
- Conduct manual reviews of eligibility and immigration status for more than 1,300 cases in E-Verify and 4,500 cases in SAVE.
- Resolve more than 650 phone calls and 200 emails related to E-Verify and SAVE inquiries.
- Process 700 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)/Privacy Act (PA) requests.

Averages are based on fiscal year 2021 data.

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