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Our Mission

FDNS will safeguard the integrity of the nation's lawful immigration system by leading agency efforts to combat fraud, detect national security and public safety threats, and maximize law enforcement and Intelligence Community partnerships.

What We Do

Detect and deter immigration benefit fraud.

Identify threats to national security and public safety, as well as other vulnerabilities that may compromise the integrity of the nation's immigration system.

Serve as USCIS' primary conduit for information sharing and collaboration with other government agencies.



Mission Essential Functions

Detect, deter, and administratively investigate immigration-related fraud.

Develop policies, procedures, and programs designed to detect and deter fraud, and eliminate vulnerabilities in the immigration benefit process.

Detect suspected fraud and conduct site visits and administrative investigations unilaterally or jointly with law enforcement agencies.

Develop and implement efficient and effective security screening policies, programs, and procedures.

Establish guidelines related to background and security checks conducted on all individuals seeking immigration benefits.

Oversee USCIS' investigative case management systems and automated screening systems.

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Establish guidance and oversee processes for identifying, reviewing, vetting, and adjudicating cases involving national security concerns.

Confirm or resolve national security and public safety concerns through coordination with law enforcement agencies, Intelligence Community partners, and other government agencies.

Enhance information sharing efforts across law enforcement agencies on cases under investigation and assist partners in understanding U.S. immigration law.

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Serve as USCIS' primary conduit for information sharing and collaboration with law enforcement and the Intelligence Community.

Work to ensure applicants who are ineligible for an immigration benefit or who may pose potential risks are identified as quickly as possible and addressed through intelligence-centric research.

Analyze, prepare, and disseminate immigration intelligence information and respond to requests for information from the Intelligence Community and law enforcement agencies.

Oversee USCIS' counterintelligence program.



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