

EB-5 / STUDENTS & PARENTS

Work in the U.S. without H-1B sponsorship.

Work permit options while EB-5 is pending.
A practical guide for students and parents.

THE OPPORTUNITY

Get a work permit before EB-5 approval.

A parental gift can fund a student's qualifying EB-5 investment. For eligible applicants already in the U.S., a separately approved work permit can allow employment while the EB-5 petition is still pending.

Apply for internships and jobs without H-1B sponsorship.

A valid adjustment-based work permit generally allows this. Eligibility and visa availability must be checked. Filing alone does not authorise work; the permit needs separate approval.

HOW A PARENT-FUNDED APPLICATION WORKS

01

The parent funds

Evidence how the money was lawfully earned and document the gift.

02

The student applies

The student is the investor. Parents cannot join as dependants on that application.

03

We coordinate

We organise preparation and attorney review, staying your main point of contact.

A major rule in EB-5 is that capital must be at risk. You can lose some or all of your investment. Immigration approval and investment repayment are not guaranteed.

YOUR NEXT STEP

A clear plan. One point of contact.

Applying for yourself or supporting a student? Start with these five questions. You do not need every answer before speaking to us.

- ☐ **Who is applying?**
  Confirm the student's age, country of birth and which family members need residence.
- ☐ **Where is the student now?**
  If in the U.S., note visa status and admission history. We coordinate the individual filing review.
- ☐ **When do work and travel plans begin?**
  List graduation, internship, job-start and travel dates. Do not plan around assumed approvals.
- ☐ **How will the gift be evidenced?**
  Map the donor's lawful source, the gift and each transfer. A recommended attorney reviews the documents.
- ☐ **What is the full financial commitment?**
  Separate invested capital, project and professional fees, government charges and living costs.

From $800,000

Qualifying investment + fees

For qualifying TEA or infrastructure investments; $1,050,000 otherwise. Statutory adjustments begin 1 January 2027. Recheck the threshold before filing.

ADVISING EB-5 FAMILIES SINCE 2013

Discuss your student EB-5 options.

Free consultation · Dubai & London

WhatsApp +971 58 553 6498
hello@residencyfirst.com

SCAN TO CHAT

Work authorisation does not guarantee a job. Get an individual review before changing status, employment or travel plans.

Regional center EB-5 guidance · Form I-526E. Individual advice required.
RFA DWC LLC · Dubai World Central Freezone · License 8474.