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To: Regs, Rfs

**Subject:** Apsalled by plan to rasie immigration Fees

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to state that I am appalled by your intention of raising the immigration fees. The fees are already high for the communities trying to legalize their status.

As I think about becoming a naturalized citizen of this country, and with my current involvement in AmeriCorps you can imagine that the overall fee of \$400.00 dollars is already beyond my reach, if you increase the fees it will be a long time before I can summon the money for the application fee. I'm just one situation on how this increase would be a negative effect. There are thousands of families struggling in the United States already. They are trying to survive by working minimum wage jobs, and barely being able to support their family. With your increase it would make it impossible for many to submit applications.

While the government is building a wall between the United States and Mexico, ironic how opposite of what our involvement was with the Berlin Wall, this money could be used for the purposes you state would be the government's benefit if these fees were increased. Overall better management of the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services, thus being a more effective and strategic battle against terrorism.

Please do not raise the fees, as this will be a burden that many families and individuals will not be able to overcome and will only be a massive obstacle for families to legalize their status or simply renew it.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

## Juanita Jasso 🤩



"Once social change begins, it cannot be reversed. You cannot uneducate the person who has learned to read. You cannot humiliate the person who feels pride. You cannot oppress the people who are not afraid anymore. We have seen the future, and the future is ours" (Cesar Chavez).