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To expedite your I-131 Application for Refugee Travel Document:

- notate the outside of the envelope with the word "EXPEDITE"
- include two (2) pre-paid, self-addressed express mailers
- include your email address and fax number
- request and include a Letter in Support of Application (Ex: SFG Youth Ministries, Inc.)
- provide a written explanation as to why the application needs to be expedited
- write "EXPEDITE REQUEST" at the top of your letter and place it on top of your documents

Expedite requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. USCIS expedite criteria include:

- extreme emergent situation
- humanitarian situation
- nonprofit status of requesting organization in furtherance of the cultural and social interests of the United States*

Include a check for \$445 (\$360 filing fee and \$85 biometrics (fingerprint) fee).

Mail your application to USCIS. Do *not* E-file Form I-131 if including an expedite request.

Filing locations for the paper version of Form I-131 are subject to change. Read the instructions carefully to determine where you must send your paper application.

Average processing time for the I-131 is 4.6 months (1/31/10). An expedited request may be processed in as little as three weeks. Processing times at <https://egov.uscis.gov/cris/Dashboard.do>

The I-131 form is available online at <http://www.uscis.gov/i-131>

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