



# Obama Admin Using Taxpayer Dollars to Buy Immigrant Votes for Democrats

The Obama administration continues to devote taxpayer dollars to register new immigrant voters (i.e., Democratic voters) in time for the November election. After spending \$19 million early this year on the registration efforts, the administration has dedicated another \$10 million this month.

Judicial Watch reports, "The money is distributed by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), the Homeland Security Agency that oversees lawful immigration, to organizations that help enhance pathways to naturalization by offering immigrants free citizenship instruction, English, US. History and civics courses."



The agency has spent a significant amount of money on these grants, \$63 million since 2009, to prepare over 150,000 immigrants for citizenship, according to Judicial Watch.

"We intend to award about \$1 million to first-time recipients in the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program for fiscal year 2016," the USCIS grant announcement states. "If you represent one of these organizations, or know of an interested organization, we strongly encourage that organization to consider applying. Additionally, another \$9 million will fund programs that provide both citizenship instruction and instruction and naturalization application services."

The Department of Homeland Security has also recruited other groups to help provide the necessary services for immigrants to gain citizenship status. "USCIS acknowledges the valuable role that local service provider community-based organizations play in immigrant communities," the announcement reads. "Due to the strong relationships these agencies often have with immigrants in the local area, these organizations can assist USCIS in its effort to reach underserved populations."

These efforts fall under a larger initiative launched by the Obama administration last year with the creation of the Task Force on New Americans, chaired by his domestic policy director, Cecilia Muñoz, the former vice president of the notoriously anti-American group National Council of La Raza (NCLR), which has cost millions of taxpayer dollars.

Likewise, numerous federal agencies have joined the effort, including the Departments of Labor, Education, Justice, Housing and Urban Development and Health and Human Services. Each Department's contribution involves further use of taxpayer dollars and funds things such as workforce programs, education toolkits, and access to housing programs, all of which are subsidized by taxpayers.

Judicial Watch contends that the program is clearly intended to qualify "as many immigrants as possible



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to vote since they tend to cast ballots for Democrats." The \$10 million grant is targeting more than a dozen states, including Ohio and Florida, both of which are key swing states that can make a big difference in November.

In 2012, a Cooperative Congressional Election Study found that amongst 2,900 naturalized immigrants, 62.5 percent identified as Democrats, 12.9 percent as independent, and 24.6 percent as Republican. Amongst non-citizens, those figures are even worse for Republicans, with just 16.8 percent identifying as Republican, 60.4 percent as Democrat and 22.9 percent as independent.

Likewise, a 2014 report from the Center for Immigration Studies revealed that increased immigration amounts to a growing Democratic voter base. "The enormous flow of legal immigrants into the country — 29.5 million from 1980 to 2012 — has remade and continues to remake the nation's electorate in favor of the Democratic Party," concluded the report. "As the immigrant population has grown, Republican electoral prospects have dimmed, even after controlling for alternative explanations of GOP performance."

Sadly, the Republican-led Congress is an all-too willing participant, as it approved the money for the USCIS grant, notes WND.

Robert Spencer, author of the JihadWatch.org blog, contends that the Democratic Party has been buying votes for years with taxpayer dollars

"Ever since 1932, the Democratic Party has been buying constituencies and securing their status as the majority party by offering benefits — welfare, etc. — to the constituent groups," Spencer said. "Their push for unrestricted immigration and amnesty for illegals is no different. It's just another scam to get more Democrat voters into the polling booths."

Meanwhile, at the same time the Obama administration is pouring taxpayer dollars into recruiting new Democratic voters, it is simultaneously fighting state voter ID laws that seek to prevent voter fraud. In other words, even when the administration cannot turn enough immigrants into legal voters, the absence of voter ID laws can ensure that illegal immigrants can cast their ballots in November.

Despite claims by the Left that voter fraud is non-existent, a 2014 <u>study</u> confirmed that close races are influenced by non-citizens who cast ballots. That study found that in 2008, for example, non-citizens likely won Barack Obama the state of North Carolina.

It seems like this administration has all its bases covered so that it can push for four more years of the same policies under a new Democratic leader.





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