

American Citizen Essay Contest

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My American Citizenship

For me as a second generation immigrant my American citizenship is not only about helping the country that we live in now but also supporting other countries that are having complications. I can do this in many ways such as supporting my own country.

I support my country in many ways such as helping my parents with dental care and other oral hygiene for the homeless or people who can't provide things like it for themselves. I can also help my country and the earth by recycling and picking up trash even if I'm not in my town or city. When I call myself an American citizen it's not only just for my town or my city but for my entire country and even other countries to give my country a better name.

As for other countries, there are many countries and there will always be countries that are struggling but right now everybody knows that Ukraine is one that needs help. Since the Ukrainian and Russian battles have ensued I, and many others feel bad and I thought that I could show them my respect by helping their civilians. During the summer I flew out with my dad and a group of other dentists to Romania and helped them. During my time helping them I helped with dental hygiene and comforting the little ones. Ukraine is a country that needs help and can use more and as a US citizen I felt that it was right to represent my country as a country that helps people in need.

Also as an American citizen I don't just help other communities but I help and support mine. As a member of the community I'm in, I help people by doing safety patrols at my school and help other kids at my school by being a good role model and standing up for them. With my school I participate in the student council by representing the students that voted for me in making good decisions and the better ones.

As a second generation immigrant my American citizenship is not just my birth certificate but the country that I will always represent and show that I am a good citizen by helping my community, my country, and other countries.