**Pro Bono Summary**

Ms. P left the Dominican Republic and came to the U.S. to escape poverty in her home country and provide a better life for her son.  Once here she entered into a relationship with Mr. V.  After their daughter was born Mr. V became physically abusive and beat Ms. P until she lost consciousness. She was able to escape with her daughter and received an order of protection.  She later reunited with Mr. V, who soon began threatening to take their daughter away from her and get her deported.  They separated again, Mr. V continued to threaten her, and Ms. P received another order of protection.  Sanctuary helped Ms. P secure a U-visa and she is now in need of pro bono representation to adjust her status, as well as her derivative son’s status, to lawful permanent resident.  She must file her application for adjustment before October 11, 2022 but ideally sooner.

If you are interested in assisting please reach out to Pro Bono Director Nicole Fidler (nfidler@sffny.org).