



The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President of the United States of America

The Honorable Markwayne Mullin
Secretary of Homeland Security

Washington, DC 20528

Dear President Trump and Secretary Mullin,

President Trump, you have secured the border to unauthorized immigration, something no prior administration had achieved. Now, thanks in large part to this achievement, you can lead our nation toward constructive solutions that have long been stymied, including maintaining work permit programs that are key to ensuring our economy's continued growth.

As business owners, employers, and job creators, we write to urge you to **extend work permits for El Salvadorans with Temporary Protected Status (TPS)**.

Salvadoran Temporary Protected Status holders have been legally working, building businesses, and contributing to the U.S. economy for over 25 years. A sudden end to their work authorization would cause severe economic disruption, triggering workforce shortages across critical industries, spiking turnover costs, and threatening local communities. We urge the administration to establish a compassionate and orderly transition period—giving employers and families the necessary runway without shocking the U.S. labor market.

We fully support a secure and orderly border to ensure public safety. We must also protect the economic foundation of our nation by stabilizing our existing, law-abiding workforce.

According to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), over 232,000 Salvadorans are beneficiaries of TPS. These individuals are not transient workers; they have lived, worked, and paid taxes in our communities for more than 25 years. They have built deep roots, established small businesses, and raised more than 150,000 U.S.-citizen children who depend on their livelihood. Forcing these settled, essential workers out of the economy would devastate hundreds of thousands of American families and severely wound the local economies they support.

From a commercial perspective, **Salvadoran TPS holders are an indispensable pillar of the American workforce:**

- Labor Force Participation: 90% of Salvadoran TPS holders are actively engaged in the U.S. labor force.
- Economic Yield: They contribute \$5.4 billion to the U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) annually.
- Tax Contributions: They pay \$1.5 billion each year in combined federal, state, and local taxes, funding Social Security and critical public infrastructure.
- Critical Sectors: They fill vital roles in industries facing acute, ongoing labor shortages—specifically construction (where immigrants make up 28.6% of the workforce), hospitality, manufacturing, transportation, and food services.

A mass termination of TPS would penalize American taxpayers and businesses twice over. The immediate cost of detaining and removing these individuals is estimated at \$3 billion, entirely ignoring the broader fiscal damage of lost tax revenue, reduced productivity, and the operational chaos inflicted on businesses forced to suddenly replace skilled personnel.

To maintain America's global economic leadership, our immigration policies must offer stability and clarity to the employers and industries that drive our progress. We can secure our borders while securing the essential workforce that keeps our supply chains moving and our businesses open.

We respectfully request the extension of work permits for El Salvador TPS holders to protect American jobs, support U.S. businesses, and preserve the stability of our national economy.

Sincerely,

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