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MY PLAN TO REFORM IMMIGRATION

Immigration reform isn't just about policy; it's a reflection of our nation's values. We should be doing everything we can to increase the diversity that makes our nation great, making it easier to bring in family members, colleagues, students, and those who want to make a better life for themselves.

As a Member of the House of Representatives, David Trone Has Supported:

- Legislation to fix our broken immigration system, including H.R. 6 - the Dream and Promise Act of 2021- which would provide a path to citizenship for DREAMers and individuals living here with Temporary Protected Status (TPS).
- The Protect Vulnerable Immigrant Youth Act (H.R. 4285), which would eliminate employment-based visa caps on abused, abandoned, and neglected children eligible for humanitarian status.
- The U.S Citizenship Act (H.R. 3194), which would provide an earned path to citizenship, address the root causes of migration, responsibly manage the southern border, and reform the immigrant visa system.
- Terminating an immigration enforcement agreement between ICE and the Frederick County Sheriff's Office in Maryland, which has egregiously violated the civil rights of many and put Marylanders at risk.



In the U.S. Senate, David Trone Will Work To:

- Finally pass comprehensive immigration reform that addresses economic, humanitarian, and security concerns.
- End the abuses of our immigration courts, end unnecessary detention, and eliminate private detention facilities.
- Achieve a pathway to citizenship for the millions of undocumented persons living in this country including DREAMers, TPS, and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) recipients. Up to 1.4 million DREAMERS, individuals who were brought to the United States as children and have known no other home – have been stuck in legal limbo for decades. Hundreds of thousands of residents fall under TPS and DED, having escaped violence and terror in their home countries.
- Provide a viable path to citizenship for all of these immigrants that is fair, accessible, and welcoming. We must also include a simple, quick, and painless process to acquire temporary legal status while immigrants apply for lawful permanent residence and, eventually, citizenship.
- Clearly and explicitly protect DREAMers and DACA recipients, taking these decisions out of the hands of overly politicized courts and ending the threat of deportation that hangs over the heads of hundreds of thousands each day.



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David Trone Will Work to Expand Legal Immigration with a Focus on Families, Skills and Education:

- As Senator, David will propose legislation to increase H-1B visas and offer pathways for legal permanent status to facilitate job growth, entrepreneurship, and family stability. He will phase out the 7% per-country caps and recapture unused employment-based green cards to reduce wait times and fill needed jobs.
- David will pass legislation to make it easier for graduates to stay in the United States; improve access to green cards for workers in all sectors of the economy; and work with publicly funded universities to help immigrants who come to the U.S. with transferable skills to immediately enter the workforce.



The Trone Plan to Reform the Temporary Agricultural Worker Program:

- The current temporary and seasonal workforce program is unworkable, unstable, and rife with abuse. It fails both workers and employers – and it is long past time for meaningful reform. Wage theft and exploitation have been widespread within the H-2A agricultural guest worker program and are extremely detrimental to our immigrant communities.
- David Trone proudly passed a bipartisan bill in the House of Representatives to reform the agricultural guest worker program – the first bill of its kind to pass the House since 1986. However, opposition and delays in the Senate have continued to obstruct progress.
- In the Senate, David will modernize H-2A, prioritizing protecting vulnerable workers while ensuring that our agricultural and seasonal employers have the predictability they need. David also supports the Biden Administration's proposal within the U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021 to protect workers from exploitation and improve the employment verification process. The bill's protections include migrant and seasonal workers and increases penalties for employers who violate labor laws.

A Plan to End the Asylum Backlog:

- The fastest way to clear the backlogs and reset the immigration court system is to pass a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants present in the U.S. Congress must also act to establish a permanent funding stream for USCIS asylum adjudication, as well as provide funding for USCIS to hire more judges and streamline proceedings to slow the growth of the backlog.
- As Senator, David is committed to leading the charge on ending the asylum backlog, so asylum seekers do not wait extended periods for work permits, unable to be self-sufficient, and straining certain state/city resources, especially as businesses struggle to fill employment vacancies.

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