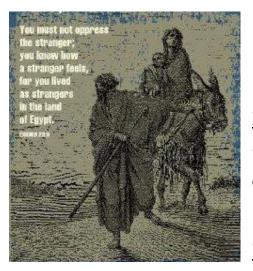
## **COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM**



## What It Really Means

**Reunite and keep families together**: through a temporary worker program and by reducing the backlog in category 2A visas.

Bring people out of the shadows: through a

temporary worker program and broad-based legalization that provides a path to permanent residency, offers job portability and labor protections, and protects domestic workers. "Earned" legalization should be achievable and independently verifiable.

**Treat people in fair and humane ways:** by expanding alternatives to detention, offering parole to families, codifying and improving detention standards, increasing oversight of detention facilities, allowing judges the discretion they need to do their jobs, and through restoration of due process protections.

**Keep our country safe**: through smart and humane enforcement both at the border and throughout the country, which is focused on the most dangerous threats to our security.

Address the Root Causes of Migration: such as lack of development in other countries, and a plan to seek long-term solutions.



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## Comprehensive Immigration Reform should include:

- Smart and Humane Enforcement: border and interior enforcement that is targeted, proportional, and humane, focusing on the most dangerous and fairly enforcing immigration law.
- **Temporary Worker Program**: provides a path to permanent residency, enables family unity, offers job portability and labor protections, and protects domestic workers
- **Family-Based Immigration Reform:** provisions which reduce backlogs in 2A category—immediate family of legal permanent residents--without harming other preference categories.
- **Broad-based legalization:** a legalization program which provides an opportunity for permanent residency. "Earned" legalization should be achievable and independently verifiable.
- **Restoration of Due Process Protections:** provisions repealing the 3 and 10-year bars and restoring judicial discretion in deportation proceedings.
- **Detention Reform:** provisions amending mandatory detention laws, expanding alternatives to detention, offering parole to families, codifying and improving detention standards, and increasing oversight of detention facilities.
- Addressing Root Causes of Migration: an examination of root causes of migration, such as lack of development in sending countries, and a plan to seek long-term solutions.