



Empower Our Communities Together

For the 2024 election,
we can help our communities by taking a stand
on two pieces of state-wide legislation:

VOTE FOR HB 1013

(House Bill 1013)

which will allow immigrant and refugee teachers to obtain a license to teach in North Carolina as well as mandate that the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) provide materials in Arabic, Chinese, Dari, French, Hindi, Pashto, Spanish, Swahili, and Tegulu.

VOTE AGAINST HB 10

(House Bill 10)

which would require local law enforcement to cooperate with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and mandate that it investigate the immigration status of anyone brought to a North Carolina jail, regardless of whether or not they have been charged with a crime. *This can subject undocumented North Carolinians to greater surveillance, detention, and deportation.*

The **only**
vote that
doesn't count
is the one
not made!

Your choice for every candidate
—from president to city leaders—
makes an impact on immigrant
and refugee livelihoods.

Vote for candidates who support:

DACA

Rational voter ID laws

Pathways to citizenship

Funding for refugee resettlement

Share The Truth About Immigrant & Refugee North Carolinians

Your guide to impact immigrant and refugees in NC!

Being an advocate for immigrant and refugee rights means staying informed, ensuring that the facts trump the fiction when candidates and legislators are using misinformation to do harm to our families and communities.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Source: (American Immigration Council, 2022)

Immigrants make up 11.1% of North Carolina's labor force and support the state's economy in many ways.

- Immigrants account for 14.4% of the state's entrepreneurs, 17.2% of STEM workers, and 7.8% of nurses in North Carolina
- 11% of state taxes are paid by immigrants (\$9.8 billion)
- Immigrants spend nearly \$30 billion in North Carolina each year
- Immigrant entrepreneurs contribute \$1.6 billion to the state economy
- Immigrant workers fuel many of the state's top industries: construction, agriculture, professional services, manufacturing, and general services
- An estimated 2.8 percent of North Carolina's population is undocumented and pays nearly \$900 million in taxes with a spending power of \$7.1 billion.
- North Carolina's more than 50,000 refugees pay nearly \$400 million in taxes and spend \$1.3 billion across the state.

SAFETY

Immigrants and refugees makes our North Carolina communities safer and stronger for everyone.

- A 2017 study in the *Journal of Migration and Human Security* found that immigrants, particularly undocumented ones, are less likely to commit crimes than their native-born counterparts.
- A 2015 Migration Policy Institute study ("*The Relationship Between Immigration and Crime: A Review of the Evidence*") suggests that areas with significant immigrant populations are likely to have lower crime rates.
- There is no research proving any direct causal link between synthetic opioids such as fentanyl and immigration.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

Learn more about and support these immigrant and refugee services and advocacy organizations.

