



IMMIGRANTS ARE A VITAL PART OF THE MID-HUDSON VALLEY

Immigrants have long been a critical part of New York State's identity, economy and cultural vibrancy.

Immigrants start small businesses, and as workers play a particularly big role in construction, restaurants and the care economy. And immigrants enrich communities with diverse languages, music, and traditions. Immigrants are neighbors, workers, parents and taxpayers who contribute billions to the state's economy each year.

111,000

IMMIGRANTS LIVE IN THE MID-HUDSON VALLEY

That's **12%** of the region's population



There are over 2,000 farms across the Mid-Hudson Valley

Farms rely on immigrant workers

IMMIGRANTS WITHOUT LEGAL STATUS CONTRIBUTE

\$3.1 billion

IN STATE & LOCAL TAXES IN NY

IMMIGRANTS HELP DRIVE NEW YORK'S ECONOMY

15%

of the Mid-Hudson Valley's Economic Output



15%

of business owners in the Mid-Hudson Valley are immigrants



Immigrant entrepreneurs and workers strengthen local economies.



IMMIGRANTS IN THE MID-HUDSON VALLEY PLAY AN ESPECIALLY BIG ROLE IN:



Restaurants

1,100 cooks | 27% of total



Domestic Care Economy

1,500 housekeepers | 51% of total

1,200 home health aides | 38% of total



Healthcare

1,300 registered nurses | 14% of total

1,000 nursing assistants | 26% of total

Immigrants are an essential part of the Mid-Hudson Valley's workforce. In restaurants immigrants are cooks, food preparation workers, food service managers, and small business owners. In the healthcare economy immigrants provide essential care in communities as registered nurses and nursing assistants. And in the domestic care economy immigrants are often the ones who make it possible for parents to go to work knowing their kids and elders in need of help are in good hands.

Policies that push out immigrants harm the Mid-Hudson Valley by:

- ↑ Higher prices for goods & services as the labor force shrinks
- ↑ Increased cost of living
- ↓ Smaller workforce & fewer jobs overall
- ↓ Reduced tax revenue
- ↓ Lower economic output