

Ohio Compact on Immigration



As signers of the **Ohio Compact on Immigration**, we are committed to promoting common-sense immigration reforms that will strengthen our economy, as well as attract and retain talent and business to our state.

We recognize the critical role immigration plays in driving continued economic growth and bringing cultural vibrancy to our communities. Therefore, we support bipartisan immigration policy reforms that ensure our federal system meets the needs of our employers and labor market; will provide a permanent solution for undocumented Ohioans who make significant contributions to our state's economy; and enforces our nation's laws. Ohio's immigration policies must reflect and reaffirm our global reputation as a welcoming, hospitable, and business-friendly state.

We urge state leaders and our national congressional delegation to adopt these five principles of the **Ohio Compact on Immigration** to guide the immigration discussion in our state.

STRENGTHENING OUR ECONOMY & WORKFORCE: For our state economy to grow and compete, Ohio needs a robust workforce and policies that prioritize attracting and retaining talent. The federal immigration system must be flexible enough to address the needs of businesses and their employees. This includes a visa system that is both responsive to, and effective at, meeting the demands of Ohio's economy and the industries that drive growth in our state.

A COMMONSENSE APPROACH: Immigrants have always been, and remain, an important part of our communities. We must adopt a commonsense approach to immigration that reflects our long-established values and recognizes the critical role immigration has played in the history, economy, and culture of both our state and the nation. Our immigration policies must provide a sensible path forward for immigrants wishing to come to our country and a permanent resolution for those who are of good character, pay taxes, and are committed to becoming fully participating members of our society and culture, but lack legal status.

COMPETITIVE COMMUNITIES: We understand the communities that grow and attract talent are the ones that are welcoming to all. We support local policies that provide a welcoming environment for immigrants, as well as provide residents with the tools and opportunities they need to succeed.

FAMILY: Strong families are critical to developing successful individuals and cohesive communities. Our immigration policies, where possible, should prioritize keeping families together in order to ensure the most supportive home environments for all children across our state.

FEDERAL SOLUTIONS: Immigration policy is a federal issue between the U.S. government and other countries. We urge our Ohio congressional delegation to work to enact immigration policy at the federal level that improves our immigration system, keeps our communities safe, protects our borders, and facilitates trade.

Signatories

Amazon Web Services	Environmental Management Inc.	Northern Ohio Area Chambers of Commerce
AmerisourceBergen	ETSS (Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services)	Ohio Aggregates & Industrial Minerals Association
Bartell Georgalas & Juarez	Euclid Chamber of Commerce	Ohio Bankers League
BioOhio	European American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Cincinnati	Ohio Business Roundtable
Brown Immigration Law	Everyday Investments SGI Ltd.	Ohio Chamber of Commerce
Builders Exchange of Central Ohio	Ferguson Construction Company	Ohio Council for Home Care & Hospice
Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce	Findlay Hancock County Chamber of Commerce	Ohio Dairy Producers Association
Carroll County Chamber of Commerce	Global Cleveland	Ohio Golf Course Superintendent's Association
Centerra Co-Op	Granite Capital Management	Ohio Green Industry Association
Chillicothe Ross Chamber of Commerce	Greater Akron Chamber	Ohio Grocers Association
Cincinnati Compass	Greater Cleveland Chinese Chamber of Commerce	Ohio Hospital Association
Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber	Greater Cleveland Partnership	Ohio Hotel & Lodging Association
Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association	Greater Hamilton Chamber of Commerce	Ohio Insurance Institute
Columbus Chamber of Commerce	Greater Medina Chamber of Commerce	Ohio Landscape Association
Columbus Partnership	Greater Springfield Partnership	Ohio Lawn Care Association
Comfort Control	GreatWork Employment	Ohio Pharmacists Association
Darke County Chamber of Commerce	Herman Legal Group, LLC	Ohio REALTORS
Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce	Hispanic Chamber of Cincinnati USA	Ohio Restaurant Association
Dayton Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	Lorain County Chamber of Commerce	Ohio Turfgrass Foundation
Decker's Nursery	Midwest Landscape Network	OhioHealth
Dolr	Natorp Inc.	OhioX
Dublin Chamber of Commerce	North Central Workforce Alliance of Ohio	Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce
Eastman & Smith LTD.	Northeast Ohio Hispanic Center for Economic Development	Pentaflex Inc.
Elevate Northland		Petty-Devlin Law Group, LLC.
		Piqua Area Chamber of Commerce

Priomatics, Inc.	State Auto Insurance Companies	Union County Chamber of Commerce
Regionomics LLC	Summa Health	Western Ohio Cut Stone
Rüya Coffee	Sylvania Area Chamber of Commerce	White Castle, System Inc.
Sandusky County Care and Share	T. Marzetti Company	Willoway Nurseries
Sandusky County Chamber of Commerce	T.L.C. Landscaping, Inc.	Wm. A. Natorp Company
Scott Family McDonald's	Terranean Herbs & Spices	Wolf Creek Company
Sidney-Shelby County Chamber of Commerce	The Greater Columbus Chinese Chamber of Commerce	Youngstown Warren Regional Chamber
Sinan Falah of Coldwell Banker Realty	The Lead	
Solon Chamber of Commerce	Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce	
Somali American Chamber of Commerce	Tri-Village Chamber Partnership	