

COMMON SENSE IMMIGRATION POLICIES:

PROTECTING AMERICAN SECURITY, SOVEREIGNTY, & PROSPERITY



SECURING OUR BORDERS

Built over 300 miles of new border wall system in the most impactful locations, with more than 450 new miles scheduled by the end of 2020.

Effectively ended "catch and release" by implementing and expanding the Migrant Protection Protocols. Under MPP, 60,000 aliens have been returned to Mexico for the duration of their removal proceedings.

Identified hundreds of aliens fraudulently presenting themselves as family units at the border, referring many for prosecution.

Improved ability to stop criminal alien gang members from crossing our border and reaching our communities, removing more than 3,900 known or suspected gang members so far in FY2020.

Enhanced enforcement methods for stopping deadly drugs from flooding across our border, with CBP seizing over 100,000 pounds of cocaine, over 6,200 pounds of heroin, over 83,000 pounds of meth, and over 2,700 pounds of fentanyl so far in FY2020.

Deployed more than 4,000 National Guard soldiers from Dept. of Defense to the Southwest border to support CBP operations.

STRENGTHENING IMMIGRATION LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Published regulations to deter aliens from filing frivolous, fraudulent, or otherwise non-meritorious asylum applications in order to obtain employment authorization.

Making key reforms to our legal immigration system to protect American workers while continuing to welcome the world's best and brightest.

Closed legal loopholes in the Flores settlement agreement that incentivized smugglers who use children as pawns to bring aliens into the country.

Created H-1B and H-2B fraud reporting tip lines to restore integrity to the temporary worker visa system.

Significantly improved screening and vetting of immigrants and refugees.

Ensured that aliens rely on their own capabilities and resources rather than on taxpayer-funded welfare programs.

Modernized the investor visa program to encourage investment in the U.S., especially in high-unemployment and rural areas.

Increased immigration benefit application and petition fees to ensure that actual cost to the federal government is closer to being covered.

ENFORCING IMMIGRATION LAWS NATIONWIDE

Deployed specialized tactical teams, and issued subpoenas to sanctuary jurisdictions to obtain critical information, locate, arrest, detain, and remove criminal aliens.

Broadened expedited removal authority to include certain aliens encountered anywhere in the country within two years of unlawful entry.

Imposed fines against aliens who refused to comply with their final orders of removal.

Added new avenues for federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to cooperate and collaborate in immigration enforcement.

Launched ICE's Victims of Immigration Crime Engagement office to help victims and their families recover.

Restored information sharing programs with state and local partners to identify and remove criminal aliens, leading to more deportations.

Supported Dept. of Justice (DOJ) lawsuits regarding unlawful sanctuary policies in numerous states.

Partnered with DOJ to increase prosecutions of criminal aliens and those committing immigration fraud.

RESPONDING TO COVID-19

Carried out a CDC order to prohibit the introduction of illegal border crossers during the COVID-19 pandemic, protecting DHS frontline employees, those in our custody, and the American public - preventing a potential catastrophe along the border.

Protected American workers during COVID-19 recovery by implementing the President's suspension of entry for certain aliens as new immigrants and employment-based non-immigrants.

Restricted non-essential travel across the U.S.-Canada-Mexico borders to stop the spread of COVID-19.

Prevented countless cases of COVID-19 in our communities by implementing the President's travel restrictions on China and other outbreak countries early in the pandemic.

COUNTERING FOREIGN EXPLOITATION

Raised global travel security standards through tailored visa restrictions on high-risk countries that could present threats to the U.S.

Tightened screening and vetting capabilities to allow DHS to better identify terrorists and criminals attempting to enter the U.S.

Protected American ingenuity, innovation, and sensitive technologies from theft by the Chinese government by implementing the President's entry ban on certain Chinese researchers.

Ended the exploitation of journalism visas by Chinese nationals spreading misinformation and propaganda in the U.S.

Seized countless counterfeit products from China and elsewhere that would have presented serious dangers to our economy, safety, and public health.

COLLABORATING WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

Signed historic Asylum Cooperative Agreements with Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador to reduce the incentive to travel north by improving access to asylum protections as close to home as possible.

Solidified border security agreements with countries across Central America to collaborate in disrupting and dismantling cartels responsible for human trafficking and smuggling across the border.

Streamlined and condensed months-long removal pathways for aliens down to 7-10 days.

Accelerated returns of tens of thousands of aliens by cutting bureaucratic paperwork.

Negotiated a deal with Mexico to step up its efforts along known migration routes to reduce illegal crossings.

Encouraged recalcitrant countries to accept their nationals under international law by invoking an unprecedented number of visa sanctions against more than a dozen countries.