

Vote to Extend Haiti TPS

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In the United States, there are over 350,000 immigrants from Haiti with Temporary Protected Status (TPS). For more than 15 years, Haitian TPS holders have started families, built businesses, and contributed to communities throughout the country as teachers, caregivers, and more. Our immigrant neighbors and their children are not our enemies.

TPS designation was created after the deadliest earthquake in the history of the Western Hemisphere shook the island, killing hundreds of thousands and displacing more than a million Haitians. Since then, Haiti has endured numerous multi-layered crises. Last year, **Secretary of State Marco Rubio** issued a “Do Not Travel” advisory due to kidnapping, crime, terrorist activity, civil unrest, and limited health care.

For Our Seniors

- If Haiti TPS is not extended, seniors will be denied access to the care they need.
- Over 20% of Haitians in the United States work in healthcare and help comprise the 1 in 4 long-term care workers that are immigrants.¹
- According to **HHS Secretary Kennedy**, there is already a shortage of health care workers.² A mass deportation of Haitians will worsen the caregiving crisis.

For Our Economy

- If Haiti TPS is not extended, the U.S. economy will shrink and revenue will decline.
- Haitian TPS holders contribute nearly \$6 billion to the U.S. economy each year and annually pay \$1.56 billion in taxes.³
- According to the **Internal Revenue Service**, Haiti TPS holders are required to pay taxes or face legal penalties for nonpayment.⁴

For Our National Security

- If Haiti TPS is not extended, gang violence and drug trafficking on the island will greatly expand and impact the United States.
- Recently, the international Gang Suppression Force – recommend by the Trump Administration – was created to restore order and reclaim Port-au-Prince.⁵
- According to **US Ambassador to the United Nations Mike Waltz**, the United States has a role to help stabilize Haiti.⁶ A mass deportation of Haitians to the island would undermine our national security interests.

¹ <https://www.kff.org/medicaid/what-role-do-immigrants-play-in-the-direct-long-term-care-workforce/>;
<https://cepr.net/publications/haitian-americans-a-socioeconomic-snapshot/>.

² <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bxwt8dfqHY>

³ <https://www.fwd.us/news/haitian-tps-holders-make-the-u-s-stronger/>

⁴ <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/international-taxpayers/foreign-persons>

⁵ <https://www.un.org/en/delegate/haiti-new-%E2%80%98suppression-force%E2%80%99-haiti-amid-gang-violence>

⁶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zhDGBNeMvbo>

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Republican Views

“The United States remains committed to working with international stakeholders to support Haiti’s path toward peace, stability, and democratic governance.”

– Secretary of State Marco Rubio (10/1/25)⁷

“Strengthening economic opportunity in Haiti promotes regional stability, pushes back on malign actors trying to gain influence with our neighbors, and advances U.S. interests. Prosperity in our hemisphere enhances security here at home.”

– Chairman of Ways and Means Committee Jason Smith (1/12/26)⁸

“We agree, Haiti, which has had a long and difficult history, truly stands at a crossroad. The country faces an unprecedented crisis...we have gangs that are terrorizing communities, extorting families, recruiting children to commit horrors on behalf of the gang leaders. The spillover effects of this violence threaten not only Haiti but the stability of the wider Caribbean and the Western Hemisphere.”

– Mike Waltz, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations (10/22/25)⁹

Reports

Center for Economic and Policy Research: [Haitian Americans: A Socioeconomic Snapshot](#) (9/2024)

Congressional Research Service: [Temporary Protected Status and Deferred Enforced Departure](#) (8/2025)

Congressional Research Service: [Haiti: Recent Developments and U.S. Policy](#) (2/2024)

FWD.US: [Haitian TPS holders make the U.S. stronger](#) (1/2026)

United Nations: [Integrated Office in Haiti](#) (1/2026)

United Nations: [Children Trafficked by Gangs in Haiti](#) (2/2026)

⁷ <https://floridaphoenix.com/briefs/marco-rubio-wants-u-s-to-extend-temporary-protected-status-for-haitians>

⁸ <https://waysandmeans.house.gov/2026/01/12/chairman-smith-floor-remarks-haiti-trade-program-offers-economic-stability-for-unstable-nation/>

⁹ <https://usun.usmission.gov/remarks-at-a-un-security-council-briefing-on-haiti-8/>