AGRICULTURAL WORKER PROGRAM ACT OF 2019

The “Blue Card Bill” would provide path to immigration status for undocumented agricultural workers and stabilize the farm labor force. A majority of the nation’s 2.4 million farmworkers are undocumented.

STEP 1
Apply for “Blue Card” Status

Temporary residency and employment authorization

STEP 2
Earn Legal Permanent Resident (“Green Card”) Status

18-month process:
• Prove employment in U.S. agriculture for at least 100 work days over the last two years
• Not be excluded by certain immigration laws
• Complete national security and law enforcement clearances
• Not have been convicted of a felony, aggravated felony, 3 or more misdemeanors, or certain crimes
• Pay an application fee and a $100 fine

Family members would also be eligible for blue card status

• Perform agricultural work for at least
  • 100 work days per year for each of the next 5 years OR
  • 150 work days per year for each of the next 3 years
• Pay an application fee and a $400 fine
• Pay any applicable federal taxes
• Continue to meet other admissibility requirements

Farmworker Justice supports the Agricultural Worker Program Act of 2019

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Empowering farmworkers to improve their living and working conditions since 1981