

The future of our farmers, our economic competitiveness, and our local economies is in your hands. Both farmers and U.S. consumers have been haunted by the labor shortages, which are driving up prices and threatening U.S. agriculture's place in the global marketplace. The time for action is now.

The current system is broken. We need to modernize the H-2A process to reflect the current needs of the agriculture industry; for example, access to a year-round workforce. Reforming the H-2A program is a key to curb rising prices and maintain our global competitiveness.

America's farmers need assurance of a future workforce with both a flexible and efficient visa program and means of retaining current workers. The labor shortage cannot be remedied without legislation.

There are:

21M

full- and part-time jobs in the agricultural and food sectors, and that number continues to rise annually.¹ By 2026:

25%

of the U.S. workforce will be 55 and older.

This means:

5.35M+

jobs will be available in the agriculture and food sectors in fewer than five years.²

The time to enact legislation that reforms the H-2A program is now. Our farmers need you to reform the H-2A program to ensure a sustainable supply of labor and affordable food for consumers.



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