Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs





New Immigration Announcement for Lebanese Nationals

The federal government announced that Lebanese nationals who have been continuously living in the U.S. since October 16, 2024, **can begin applying for TPS and related work permits.**



Who is Eligible?

This means that nationals from Lebanon who have been continuously living in the U.S. since October 16, 2024, can apply for TPS and, eventually, a work permit.



Eligible Lebanese nationals who apply for this TPS program **can also apply for a work permit.**

What is TPS?



Temporary Protected Status (TPS) provides **temporary relief from deportation and work authorization** for immigrants already in the United States who cannot return to their home country.

How can I apply?



You can begin to submit applications for TPS starting November 27, 2024 until May 27, 2026. To apply, you will need documents to prove:

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your nationality and



your presence and residence in the U.S. since October 16, 2024.



1-800-354-0365

Monday to Friday, 9AM to 6PM

Access legal help by calling the MOIA Immigration Legal Support Hotline If you have any questions regarding how you can apply/utilize either program, please consult a licensed attorney or DOJ Accredited Representative.



For more information about how to protect yourself from immigration legal fraud, please <u>visit our website:</u> www.nyc.gov/immigrationfraud



BEWARE OF LEGAL IMMIGRATION SCAMS AND FRAUDULENT ACTORS

Remember:

- Only a licensed attorney or a DOJ Accredited Representative can file applications on your behalf.
- A public notary who is not a licensed attorney is unable to fill out these forms/file them on your behalf. They also cannot charge you to do this.



Immigration law is complicated. Beware of immigration legal scams or fraudulent providers who may indicate otherwise and make false promises, such as:

- A way to get a work permit or visa **immediately**.
- Statements indicating that there are **no risks or consequences.**
- Claims of **special influence** with immigration authorities.