THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS IN RHODE ISLAND

UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS CONTRIBUTE $31 MILLION IN TAXES TO THE RI ECONOMY

- $17.6 M in Sales and Excise Tax
- $3.9 M in Income Tax
- $9.7 M in Property Tax
- Undocumented immigrants pay an average of 7.4% of their incomes in state and local taxes
- DACA recipients, who represent 3% of RI's undocumented population, contribute $3.1 M in state and local taxes. This is 10% of the taxes contributed by all undocumented Rhode Islanders.

THE NUMBER OF UNDOCUMENTED RHODE ISLANDERS HAS REMAINED THE SAME SINCE 2007

- There are 29,000 undocumented immigrants in our state, comprising 2.7% of the population
- 3,000 of these undocumented immigrants are individuals brought to the US as children, 940 of whom retain temporary lawful status and work authorization through the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA)
- 18,000 US citizens in Rhode Island live with at least one undocumented family member

UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR STATE OR FEDERAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

- While undocumented immigrants pay taxes, they are not eligible for any public benefits that help meet basic needs, including:
  - Publicly funded health insurance, including Medicaid* and tax credits to buy coverage through HealthSource RI
  - Income Support, including RI Works and SSI
  - Housing Assistance
  - SNAP Food Assistance

*Pregnant women can receive Medicaid to promote a safe birth for both mother and child

Sources: