## IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON IMMIGRANT FAMILIES

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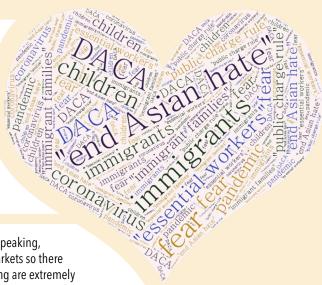
Based on results of the NYSB5 Needs Assessment 2020-21.

### PROVIDERS' OBSERVATIONS OF FAMILIES' NEEDS:

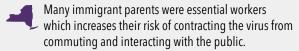
[Some clients] were afraid to reach out for medical services because they are not documented. We had a single mom who came down with Covid, quite ill, everyone got together from our program and community and got her food, took care of her children. Community really came together but it has been very hard on people, especially those not documented. — **Provider** 

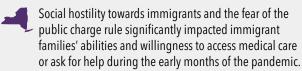
In some cases the illness was secondary, the fear was primary and with that food insecurity, housing insecurity, education for their children, loss of employment. That has been very difficult. — **Provider** 

The majority [of the families we work with] are low income and non English speaking, they are working as frontline workers in restaurants, nail shops, and supermarkets so there was direct impact on families as many of them lost work, and the ones working are extremely busy because they're essential workers. — **Provider** 



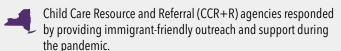
### In 2020, key Informant Interviews found that:

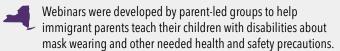


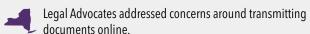




## Specific strategies that worked well during the pandemic:







Mental Health resources were available and shared in several languages for immigrant families.



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### **IMMIGRANTS ARE ESSENTIAL WORKERS WHO**



Provide healthcare support



Work in building & grounds, cleaning, or maintenance



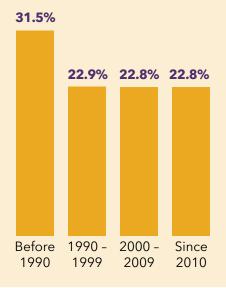
Provide personal care services

## IN NEW YORK, ALMOST 1 IN 3 CHILDREN LIVE WITH AN IMMIGRANT PARENT

Percent of children under the age of 18 who live with one foreignborn parent (2019).



# WHEN DID NY IMMIGRANTS COME TO THE UNITED STATES



## DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS (DACA)

**40**,**807** recipients since 2012

As of 2019, only 36% of DACA eligible children had been approved for DACA.



#### **PAID TAXES IN 2018**

Immigrant-led families in New York State paid

\$35.4 BILLION

in federal taxes and

**\$21.8 BILLION** 

in state and local taxes.



### IMMIGRANTS SUPPORT THE NY ECONOMY

DACA recipients and those eligible paid

\$113.4 MILLION

in state and local taxes in 2018.

#### Data Sources: