



Media Advisory: New Data Report Highlights the Economic Impact of Immigrants in Ohio

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A coalition of business and community leaders throughout Ohio will come together tomorrow to release a report showcasing new research on contributions of immigrants in Ohio.

The event, hosted by the Partnership for a New American Economy (NAE), Welcome Dayton and the Dayton Chamber of Commerce, will highlight the economic impact of immigrants in key industries, including healthcare and manufacturing.

"The NAE data report demonstrates what we already know in Dayton: immigrants are an important part of our community's cultural and economic fabric," said Welcome Dayton Committee Chair and City Commissioner Matt Joseph. "In Dayton, just as throughout the state of Ohio, immigrants are more likely to be entrepreneurs, are helping to off-set population loss, and are revitalizing our neighborhoods."

In Ohio, immigrants make up seven percent of all entrepreneurs and play a large role in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields, a major component of U.S. economic growth.

"From workforce to entrepreneurship, Fortune 500 companies to manufacturing jobs, the data entailed in the report puts some concrete numbers around the vital role immigrants are playing in the economic prosperity of our communities," said Stephanie Precht, Director of Public Policy and Economic Development for the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce. "We are proud to continue our work with

Welcome Dayton to connect immigrants to the business resources and entrepreneurial opportunities that drive growth and development for our entire community."

This event is part of a day of action led by NAE taking place in all 50 states.

WHAT:

Press conference about new Ohio report on economic impact of immigrants

WHEN:

August 3, 2016 at 10 a.m.

WHERE:

Entrepreneur's Center, 714 E Monument Ave., Dayton, OH 45402

WHO:

Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley, Stephanie Precht (Welcome Dayton Committee Member, Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce), Monica Schultz (Welcome Dayton Committee Member, Windblown Communications), Dr. Ayman Salem (Material Resources, LLC), Zayir Pepenov (US International Foods)

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