The U.S. secretary of homeland security, in consultation with the U.S. secretary of state, has the discretion to grant Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to individuals from countries where ongoing conflict, environmental disaster, or other extraordinary circumstances make it impossible to return without jeopardizing their lives. Today, an estimated 320,000 people hold TPS in the United States from 10 designated countries; more than 90 percent of these individuals are from El Salvador, Honduras, and Haiti. TPS is granted for set periods of time ranging from six to 18 months, and decisions as to whether to continue TPS for Honduras, Haiti, and El Salvador must occur by November 6, 2017, November 23, 2017, and January 8, 2018, respectively.1

TPS recipients live in Connecticut
Haitians
• 1,200 Haitians in Connecticut are TPS holders

Connecticut’s economy benefits from workers with TPS
Haitians
• 1,000 workers in Connecticut are Haitian TPS holders
• $75.5 million would be lost from state GDP annually without Haitian workers who hold TPS

TPS holders are integral members of Connecticut’s social fabric
Haitians
• Haitian TPS holders in Connecticut have lived in the United States for an average of eight years

Endnotes