

Dear Leader in the Faith Community,

We invite you to join the Wisconsin Coalition for Safe Roads in advocating for legislation to restore access to legal driving regardless of immigration status. The right to drive legally in Wisconsin should not depend on one's immigration status.

This is a practical, non-partisan issue transcending politics:

 \cdot The law would enhance public safety by ensuring all drivers pass driving tests, understand traffic laws and regulations, and obtain auto insurance.

 \cdot It would allow tens of thousands of undocumented immigrants to drive without fear of the consequences of breaking the law.

 \cdot It would help preserve a stable workforce for businesses in agriculture, hospitality, manufacturing and others.

According to Pew Research Center, about 65,000 undocumented workers contribute to Wisconsin's economy as taxpayers, employees, and consumers. Since 2007, when their ability to drive legally was revoked, these essential workers have faced significant challenges in conducting basic activities like commuting to work, taking children to school, and accessing healthcare.

Restoring access to legal driving would allow undocumented immigrants to complete their driver's examinations and safety screenings and be identified by first responders in the event of an accident. They will be less likely to leave the scene of an accident. They will be far more likely to come forward to work with law enforcement, report accidents, and report crimes. There would be fewer uninsured motorists, resulting in lower premiums for already-insured drivers.

The Wisconsin Coalition for Safe Roads is a diverse alliance of business leaders, faith communities, law enforcement, elected officials, and grassroots organizations. Joining simply requires your agreement that this legislation will strengthen Wisconsin's economy, enhance public safety, and support our communities.



We ask you to become a member. Click <u>here</u> for a membership form or go to: <u>Join The</u> <u>Coalition</u>.

We encourage you to express your support to your representatives in the State Assembly and Senate. Please see attached a suggestion for a letter to legislators. Please send a copy of your correspondence to <u>contact@wisconsinforsaferoads.org</u> to help us demonstrate broad support.

Your voice as a faith leader carries significant weight. Together, we can work toward safer roads, stronger communities, and a stable and growing economy.

Sincerely,

Wisconsin Coalition for Safe Roads