



New Announcement for Ethiopia

**On April 12, 2024,
the U.S. Government announced
Redesignation of Temporary Protected
Status (TPS) for Ethiopian nationals.**



This means people from Ethiopia who have been living in the U.S. since **April 11, 2024**, can apply for TPS, and eventually a work permit.



You will be able to apply for TPS and a work permit, starting **April 15, 2024**.

Those **who already have TPS** can renew their TPS for an additional 18 months and **must reapply between April 15, 2024, and June 15, 2024** to avoid losing their status.



Beware of legal immigration scams and fraudulent actors

Remember:

- Only a licensed attorney or a DOJ Accredited Representative can file applications on your behalf.
- A public notary who is not a licensed attorney is unable to fill out these forms/file them on your behalf. They also cannot charge you to do this.



Immigration law is complicated.

Beware of immigration legal scams or fraudulent providers who may indicate otherwise and make false promises, such as:

- A way to get a work permit or visa **immediately**.
- Statements indicating that there are no **risks or consequences**.
- Claims of **special influence** with immigration authorities.



For more information about how to protect yourself from immigration legal fraud, please visit:



<https://www.nyc.gov/site/immigrants/legal-resources/avoid-fraud.page>



1-800-354-0365

Access legal help by calling the MOIA Immigration Legal Support Hotline **Monday to Friday, 9AM to 6PM**