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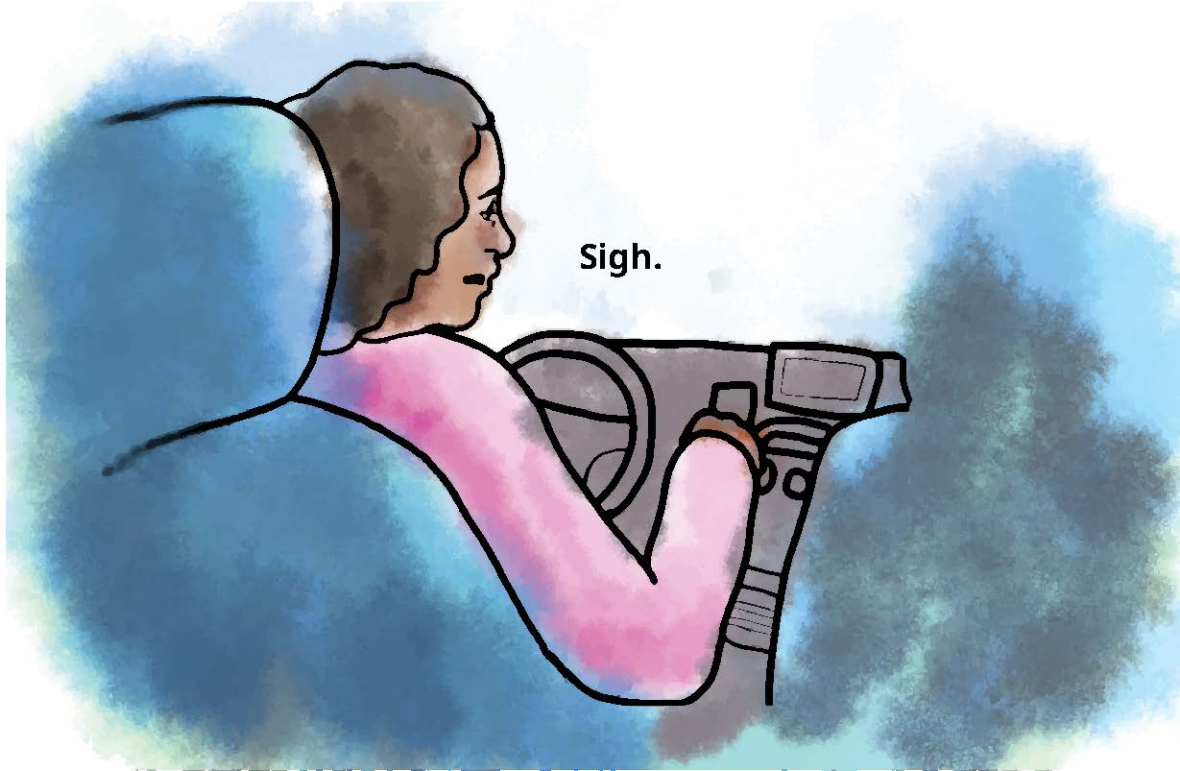
A POCKET COMIC
ABOUT FREE LEGAL
IMMIGRATION SERVICES



The End of TPS?



"Another ICE raid..."



Sigh.

My husband has Temporary Protected Status.



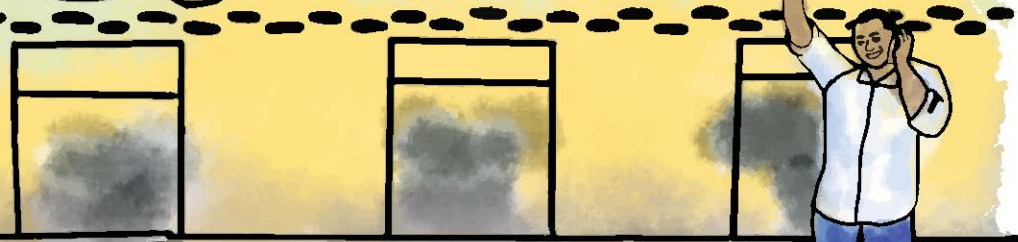
It feels like the rules are changing every day, and we just don't know if or when he will have to leave – or if he could be deported.

It is stressful.

I want to figure out how to get him permanent status.



NYC TAXI



That is my friend Jamal.
He is also a taxi driver.



**What is with
the big folder,
Jamal?**

***It's all my documents.
Today I have my first
appointment for free
legal services!***



***See, I have a copy of
my birth certificate,
my passport, and a
few other documents
the lawyer asked me
to bring.***



**Free? Weren't you paying that notario
thousands of dollars for your 10 year green card?**

Ah, I was about to!

***And then I learned
that notaries in the US
are not lawyers, and
that they were going
to steal my money!***



Instead, I just called 311 and asked for “Action NYC.” They connected me to an organization that can provide free and trustworthy immigration legal services.



Actually, Ariana, even you should call Action NYC. Make an appointment for your husband. Just like we get our cars checked out and tuned up – he can get a check up for his immigration status too!



***You know, Ariana,
he does have a
point.***





Welcome, Mr. Jamal.

Today I will ask you a few questions in order to learn about how we can help your immigration case and see what services you might be eligible for.

Anything you say to me will be kept confidential. That means I will not share it with anyone else.



***Yes, I'd like to apply for my
10 year green card.***

Oh, we hear that a lot. Actually, there is no such thing as a 10 year green card, no one can send in an application to apply for such a green card. Let's see what you may be eligible for, you may be surprised...

Now, tell me your story. How did you arrive to the United States?



Thank you for meeting with me today, Jamal.

Given your personal circumstances, you qualify for protection for victims of trafficking. I know this is a process, but it is great that you took the first step of meeting with me today.

Now we will work on filling out and filing an application. I look forward to continue working together.

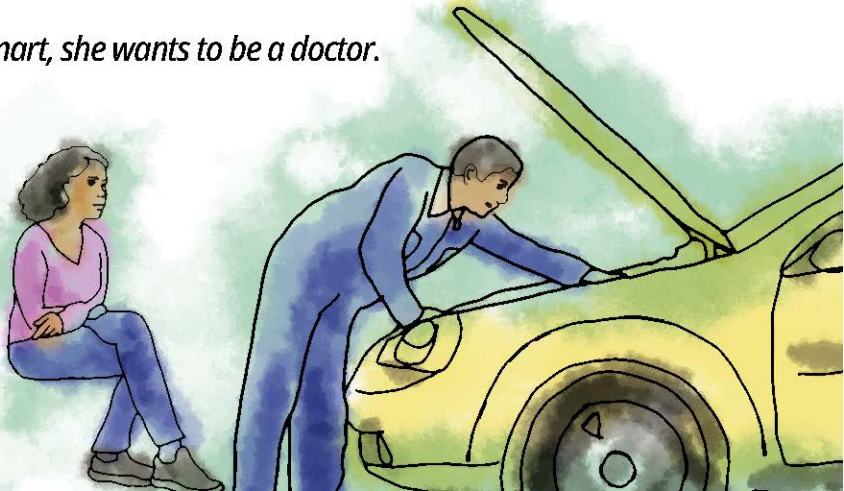


MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE GARAGE...

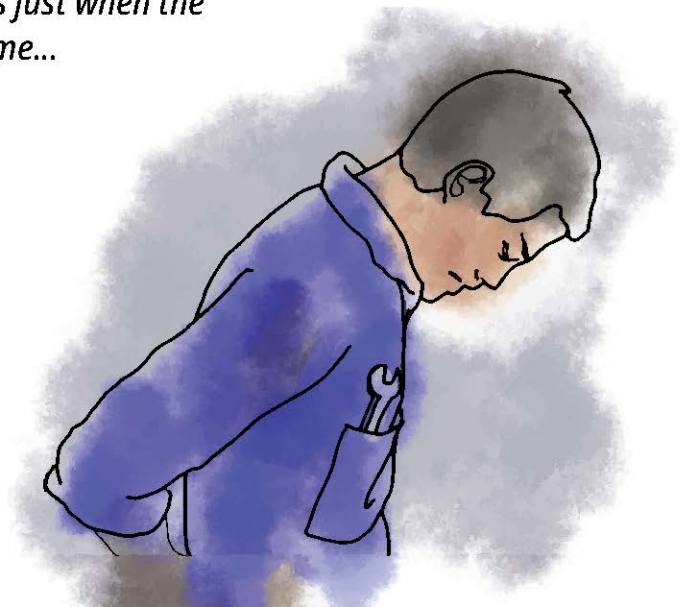
See, Ariana, I know how to fix this car...but I have no idea what to do about my family's legal situation.

My daughter is so smart, she wants to be a doctor.

But we don't have papers, so how will we even be able to afford college?



*Forget about college, these days,
we all get so nervous just when the
doorbell rings at home...*



**Are you thinking what
I'm thinking?**



3-1-1...

Action NYC!



CALL 311 and SAY ACTION NYC!

ActionNYC is for every immigrant New Yorker.

It offers free, safe immigration legal help in your community and in your language. Learn more about your immigration options today.

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