Undocumented and Empowered

How different legal environments in California and Arizona impact the psychological outcomes of undocumented indviduals

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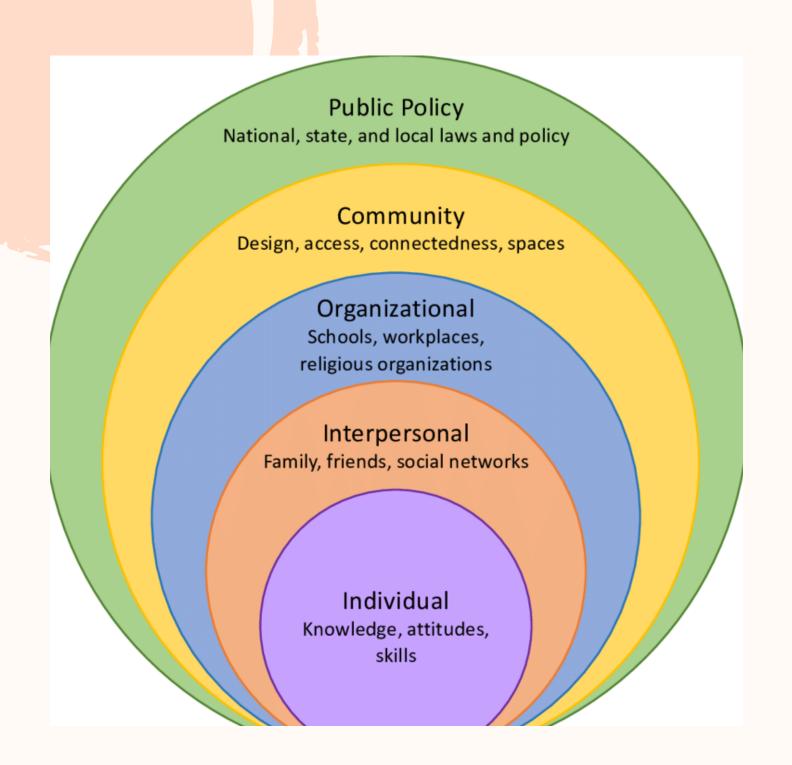
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Introduction:



"Different anti-immigration policies between states create different contextual and environmental stressors which result in differing levels of fear, worry, and stress for undocumented youth and their families."



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

- Splits the ruling power between the legislative, judicial, and executive branches
- Creates and maintains
 policies that apply to state
 governments and all
 individuals residing in the
 United States

STATE GOVERMENTS

- All state governments have the same model of government as the Federal Government
- Creates their own bills and policies that when passed into law, are followed by individuals residing in that particular state

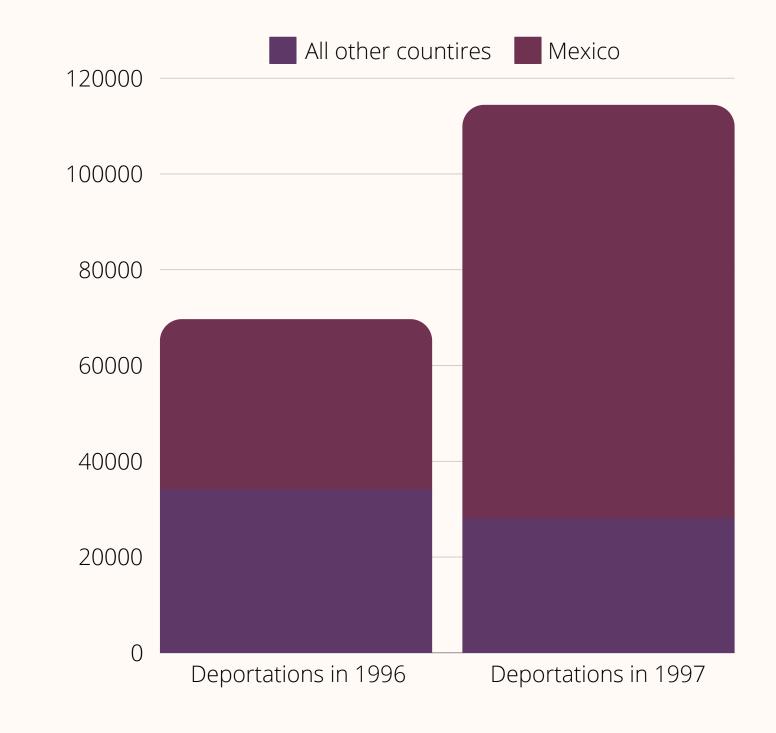
(State and Local Government | The White House, n.d.)



Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA)

POLICY BREAKDOWN:

- Enacted in 1996 as an attempt to crack down on illegal immigration to the U.S.
- Penalties for crimes committed by undocumented individuals were harsher
- Imposed a new rule that immigrants seeking asylum must file their paperwork no later than one year after arriving in the U.S



Arizona Senate Bill 1070



BILL BREAKDOWN:

 Legally gave law enforcement the authority to ask to see proof of citizenship for any individuals who looked to have "reasonable suspicion" of being undocumented



(Arizona SB 1070, n.d.)

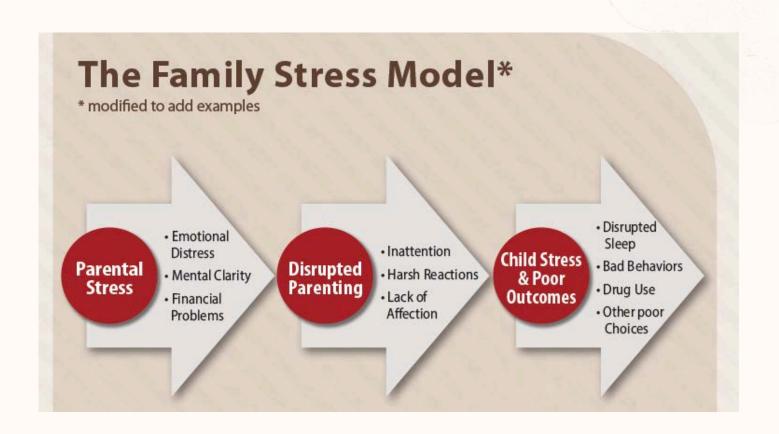
Psychological Effects of SB 1070:

ALTERED INTERACTIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT:



(Rubio-Hernandez &; Ayón, 2016)

INCREASED PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS WITHIN FAMILIES:



(Impacts of Immigration Actions and News and the Psychological Distress of U.S. Latino Parents Raising Adolescents - ScienceDirect, n.d.)

California Proposition 187

Proposition 187:

BILL BREAKDOWN:

- One of the most explicitly discriminatory policies ever passed
- Restricted public services for undocumented individuals and required that public employees report individuals they suspected of being undocumented

Los Angeles Times

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(Thurber, n.d.)

Effects of Proposition 187:

IMMEDIATE EFFECTS: DECREASED USE OF PUBLIC LONG-TERM EFFECTS: INCREASE IN YOUTH ACTIVISM AND



FACILITES

(Marx et al., 1996).



GOVERNMENT TRANSPARANCY

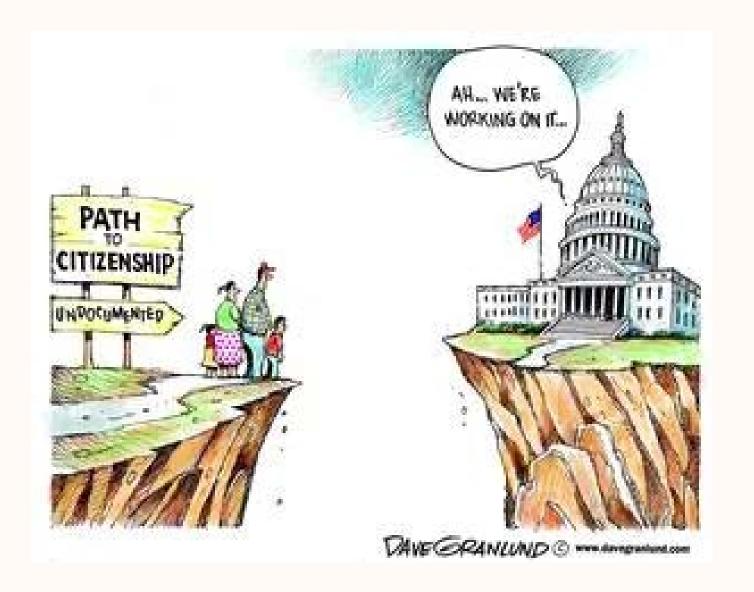
(DEANGELO ET AL., 2016)

Next Steps and Conclusions:

Conclusion:

MOVING FORWARD...

We need a better and more conclusive immigration policy. Federal government needs to step up and create a better/easier pathway to obtaining legal status



"NO INDIVIDUAL, WHETHER A CHILD OR AN ADULT, SHOULD BE SUBJECTED TO THE EMOTIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL HARM THAT COMES FROM THE CONSTANT FEAR OF DEPORTATION"

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