



THIS IS MY IMMIGRATION STORY

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I was born in Mexico, Central Valley, from a family of farmers, indigenous Mazahua. I came to the United States as a minor. I quickly distinguished my country of origin as a dangerous and elitist society. Looking for a chance to go to college, I was excited to start a new chapter in my life and immigrate into the United States. Moving to this new country gave me an opportunity to work hard to achieve my dreams. I started my work as a housekeeper, cleaning houses to pay for my education. I was working while also raising my five children and it was tough. It took me eight years to complete my bachelor's degree due to my circumstance, but I am so proud that I was able to pay off my bachelor's degree while attending school. This made my sweat and hard work worth it.

I currently serve my community as an accountant and as a community advocate. I try as much as I can to encourage young people and immigrants to never give up, the American Dream is alive! I AM the example that hard work always pays off. Take advantage of the great opportunity this country offers and a great addition to society, to not follow those negative stereotypes. I know it is very intimidating to not be a citizen, don't allow people to intimidate others because of their status.