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New NPG Forum Paper Offers Overview of Open Borders: How Potential Outcomes Could Affect Population Size and Growth

A Review of the Multi-dimensional Open Borders Issue that Could Significantly Impact U.S. Population Size and Growth

Alexandria, VA, (April 7, 2020): Negative Population Growth, Inc. is pleased to release a new NPG Forum paper titled [*The Push for Open Borders: The Quest to Destroy America's Future*](#), by NPG writer Christopher J. Daly.

With 2020 presidential candidates debating open borders on primetime television, Daly's paper discusses the various arguments surrounding the issue and offers guidance on what continues to be a polarizing topic. Introducing the reader to his work, Daly describes that the goal, "...is to provide an overall general insight into the who, what, and why of this multi-dimensional issue, identify the passion that drives open border advocates, and make clear that as the open border lobby gains ground the end result could be a total upheaval of America's future."

Daly sets the stage for the debate by discussing a recent poll of American voters, citing a speech by former Colorado Governor Richard Lamm, and saying: "As we fast-forward to present day, when pro-immigration forces have gained more and more power, it is quite clear that the open border lobby is working aggressively to advance its arguments into the nation's discussions about our country's future and paint our present immigration system as evil."

Following the argument, Daly provides examples from high profile researchers and journalists advocating for open borders. During his analysis, Daly notes: "Open border advocates consistently point to boosting the world's economy and relieving world poverty as a central element in their thinking." Daly summarizes the pro-open border agenda, writing: "They preach that if the U.S. would only revert to that successful policy of the past, it will work just as well today. What they fail to take into account, or even mention, is that today's U.S. population of 329 million is already stretching our nation's resources to the limits."

Opposing those who would open U.S. borders, Daly dives into why open borders would not be in the best interest of the U.S. and what we should do instead, stating: "The reality is that our nation is already overpopulated in terms of the long-range carrying capacity of its resources and environment...Indeed, rather than go down the path to open borders, NPG holds that America needs a National Population Policy with the goal to slow, halt, and eventually reverse population growth."

Looking into the core impact of open borders in correlation to population growth Daly discusses the connection between current policies and population growth: “As it presently stands, the U.S. Census Bureau projects America’s population to hit 400 million around 2060. That number takes into account the present ebb and flow of immigration to the U.S. continuing over the next 40 years and reflects the fact that the bulk of the 70 million new people who would be added to 2020’s estimate of 329 million will be immigrants. In short, our future population is already expected to be mainly immigration-driven without any major changes in the current system.”

Daly presents a concise case against open borders, saying: “With our country’s population increasing each year, the growing numbers are putting huge pressures on a fast-deteriorating infrastructure that includes highways, bridges, and water and sewer pipes. At our present rate of population growth, we are paving over farmland, destroying forests, and encroaching on wetlands and wildlife habitats at an alarming rate. And, the ever-present threat of future droughts looms large over huge swaths of both rural and urban communities, threatening the long-term ability of countless millions of Americans to tap into the key sustenance of life – water.”

Daly succinctly closes his work, showcasing NPG’s position on population, saying: “NPG’s decades of research, along with that of dozens of other organizations, shows that human population and consumption in the United States and the world are already too large and are destroying the natural systems that support us. We must eventually stabilize both U.S. and world population size, so that they are sustainable indefinitely.”

Founded in 1972, NPG is a national nonprofit membership organization dedicated to educating the American public and political leaders regarding the damaging effects of population growth. We believe that our nation is already vastly overpopulated in terms of the long-range carrying capacity of its resources and environment. NPG advocates the adoption of its [*Proposed National Population Policy*](#), with the goal of eventually stabilizing U.S. population at a sustainable level – far lower than today’s. We do not simply identify the problems – we propose solutions. For more information, visit our website at www.NPG.org, follow us on Facebook [*@NegativePopulationGrowth*](#) or follow us on Twitter [*@npg_org*](#).