



June 17 - 23, 2024

What's Happening

Biden to close 'Dilley' detention center, shift resources amid border crackdown - WSJ

GOP-led states push to expand power to curb immigration - NY Times

Lawmakers make bipartisan call for aiding 'documented dreamers' - Bloomberg Law

Future unclear for anti-human trafficking bills supported by Catholics - Global Sisters Report

US diplomat warns of great consequences for migrants at border who don't choose legal pathways - AP

Some US asylum restrictions may violate international law, says UN official - AP

New IL laws go into effect July 1, including driver's licenses for undocumented immigrants - mystateline.com

Biden's new measures to stem illegal border crossings draw legal challenges - Wash Post

Mexico's tactics to cut immigration to the US: wear out migrants - AP

Canada to launch expanded pilot pgm for immigrant caregivers - cicnews.com

TX redoubling efforts at southern border in response to Biden's immigration order - CBS

Biden admin considers protection for undocumented spouses of US citizens - NY Times

Judge plans to rule on Iowa immigration law before July 1 deadline - Iowa Capital Dispatch

Action One: Prayer

God our refuge, you share the journey with migrants and refugees, lightening their footsteps with hope. For you, Lord, are close to the broken-hearted. Pour out your Spirit upon world leaders. May they see the tragedies of our human family, and be moved to respond with wisdom, compassion and courage. Open our eyes and hearts to the God-given dignity of all your people. Move us to welcome our neighbors, and so bear witness to your love. Through Christ our Lord, Amen. (Rachel McCarthy/CAFOD)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL- Tell Biden and Congress to reject inhumane, unlawful asylum restrictions

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-tell-president-biden-and-congress-to-reject-inhumane-unlawful-asylum-restrictions-stand-by-commitments-to-the-persecuted/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=b2feada5-0275-45c1-973a-a87242d0c234>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Senate to enact a permanent solution for Dreamers -

<https://p2a.co/Emn3bWM>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to create a pathway to citizenship for DACA recipients

https://act.nilc.org/page/69018/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20240615_EG_DACA12_NILC&ea.url.id=2623645&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL- Tell POTUS - restore access to asylum.

https://act.nilc.org/page/68643/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20240605_EG_BidenEO_NILC&ea.url.id=2600326&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand Biden to modernize DACA and expand protections.

https://unitedwedream.org/actions/12-years-of-daca-demand-president-biden-strengthen-and-expand-protections/?source=email_06.05&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2344358&email_subject=with-12-years-of-daca-around-the-corner-tell-biden-to-strengthen-and-expand-protections-

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Biden - we will not be silent as you seal the border to people seeking asylum -

https://act.hias.org/page/68653/action/1?en_txn6=MR-EM-FY24-06-asylum_ban_2024-advo-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=asylum_ban_2024&utm_content=240606+Border-Asylum+ActionAlert+General+e1&ea.url.id=2603107

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your MOC to support HR 1325 - the Asylum Seekers Work Authorization Act.

<https://www.refugeesinternational.org/actions/let-asylum-seekers-work/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your representative in the US House to commit to protecting immigrant communities.

<https://p2a.co/qd8tjmg>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Congress people to speak out and protect asylum.

<https://www.voterve.net/WeAreOneAmerica/Campaigns/116236/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Biden to restore access to asylum -

https://ignatiansolidarity.net/blog/2024/06/06/action-alert-tell-president-biden-restore-access-to-asylum/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=f081b33a0f-NEWS_VOICES_081220_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-f081b33a0f-255847889&mc_cid=f081b33a0f&mc_eid=9c9f057a6f

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urges DHS to take immediate steps to keep families together and grant TPS to Ecuadorians.

<https://action.momsrising.org/sign/tps-for-ecuador/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC: Co-sponsor the End Solitary Confinement Act -

<https://nr.cat.salsalabs.org/esca-cosponsorship/index.html>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Biden Administration to Ensure Safety and Protection for People Impacted by the Middle East Conflict -

<https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to invest in communities' capacity to welcome refugees.

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/urgent-action-tell-congress-to-invest-in-local-communities-capacity-to-welcome-refugees/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action for Haiti.

<https://guixote.org/action#>

Action Three: Education

Venezuelan family traveled for 3 months, only to be denied asylum -

<https://www.npr.org/2024/06/09/nx-s1-4995786/how-bidens-asylum-policy-is-affecting-one-venezuelan-family>

Canada to launch expanded pilot pgm for immigrant caregivers -

<https://www.cbcnews.com/2024/06/caregivers-to-be-given-permanent-resident-status-on-arrival-under-new-pilot-programs-0644660.html#gs.a575ws>

What's next for US immigration policy -

<https://www.propublica.org/article/us-immigration-policy-2024-mexico>

Could 'Newcomer Liaison' help migrant students struggling Chicago schools?

https://blockclubchicago.org/2024/06/11/could-newcomer-liaisons-help-migrant-students-struggling-in-chicago-schools/?utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Sunday%20Edition%3A%20A%20New%20Way%20To%20Help%20Migrant%20Students%20Struggling%20At%20CPS&utm_campaign=Sunday%20Edition%20June%2016%2C%202024

Action Four: Action

ONGOING: BROADVIEW ONLINE FRIDAY ROSARY: The Rosary prayer is conducted every Friday at 715 am CT for our immigrant sisters and brothers in detention, deportation and their families. The prayer is led by Sr JoAnn Persch, RSM and Pat Murphy, RSM. If anyone want to connect in Zoom or participate in person, they can contact Sr. JoAnn Persch at 773-597-5394 or jpmrsm2@gmail.com

ICDI Monthly meetings: Monthly meetings-first Thursday of every month at 12:00pm CT. These meetings begin with a small interfaith reflection and continue with our ICDI staff giving program updates. Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spiotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisiJ>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Rep/Sen) 12 years ago, our country reached a significant milestone in the fight for immigrants' rights – DACA. DACA's protections were never designed to be permanent. Let's do something to fix that. **Thank you for your efforts!**