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What's Happening

EL Paso judge rejects Paxton's 'outrageous and intolerable' efforts to shut down Annunciation House - elpasomatters.org

Mexico-US migration crackdowns unlikely to change under new president Claudia Sheinbaum - Texas Observer

US to pay for flights to help Panama remove migrants who may be heading north - AP

Undocumented immigrants now eligible for standard IL driver's license with 'federal limits' - CBS News

Chinese migrants deported on first large flight from US since 2018 - NBC News

Panama's new president vows migration crackdown with assistance from US - Reuters

NY Gov announces \$20M for refugee employment initiative - Spectrum News

Chicago's migrant influx 'only going to be the beginning' - Chicago Tribune

Action One: Prayer

God of all, we struggle to welcome those we don't know to join our communities. Please guide our actions so we may be a reflection of your love. We struggle to find common ground with those who are from different places and have different customs. Please guide our words so we speak with charity and hospitality. We struggle to remember our own times of transition and uncertainty. Please send your Holy Spirit to challenge our assumptions. May we continue to seek new ways to find you in our lives. May we Share the Journey with one another, every day. We ask all this in your holy name, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (from Bread for the World)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to combat human trafficking in the US -

<https://www.congressweb.com/GSNAC/345>

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 - 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 your MOC to support HR 1325 - the Asylum Seekers Work Authorization Act. <https://www.refugeesinternational.org/actions/let-asylum-seekers-work/>

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- 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 Congress to combat human trafficking in the US -
<https://www.congressweb.com/GSNAC/345/>

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://nrcat.salsalabs.org/esca-cosponsorship/index.html>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action for Haiti. <https://quixote.org/action#>

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 representative in the US House to commit to protecting immigrant communities. <https://p2a.co/qd8tjmg>

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/>

Action Three: Education

North TX college student thought DACA was the answer. Now, he looks to 'Parole in Place' -
<https://www.keranews.org/news/2024-07-02/north-texas-college-student-thought-daca-was-the-answer-now-he-looks-to-parole-to-fix-his-immigration-status>

Undocumented immigrants now eligible for standard IL driver's license with 'federal limits -
<https://www.cbsnews.com/chicago/news/undocumented-immigrants-standard-illinois-drivers-licenses/>

EL Paso judge rejects Paxton's 'outrageous and intolerable' efforts to shut down Annunciation House - <https://elpasomatters.org/2024/07/02/el-paso-annunciation-house-texas-ag-ken-paxton-ruling/>

Mexico-US migration crackdowns unlikely to change under new president Claudia Sheinbaum
<https://www.texasobserver.org/mexico-president-claudia-sheinbaum/>

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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisJ>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) Dreamers already given so much to the US; it is time for our leaders to recognize them as Americans and open pathways to citizenship so they can keep contributing to the country they call home. **Thank you for your efforts!**