



March 31 – April 6, 2025

What's Happening

Trump admin pauses some green card applications as part of aggressive vetting effort - CBS

Trump's crackdown on students with visas and green cards sets up First Amendment showdown - CBS News

US will deploy biometric capabilities with Columbia, Noem says - Reuters

Trump asks Supreme Court to allow deportations under wartime law - Boston Globe

Fed'l appeals court upholds temporary block on Alien Enemies act deportation - Wash Post

Church run asylum shelter accused of breaking federal immigration law - Albuquerque Jrnl

Trump admin is pointing spy satellites at US border - Reuters

Venezuelan women deported under Alien Enemies Act returned to US, lawyers say - USA Today

Trump admin invokes 'state secret privilege' in Venezuelan deportation case - AP

IRS and ICE are close to finalizing a data sharing agreement, sources say - ABC7.com

Venezuela and US agree to resume deportation flights - CNN

Action One: Prayer

O God of all nations and peoples: We live in a nation of immigrants, and one in which the diverse gifts of many people have contributed to our energy and strength. Yet it is one in which some immigrants are discriminated against because of the color of their skin, their language, or the country of their origin. Help us, by your grace, to offer hospitality to all strangers, as our Father Abraham did in the desert. Grant us the wisdom and skill to enact just and merciful immigration reforms so that the hospitality and access to this great land may be offered equally to people of all colors and races and nations. (Episcopal Diocese of West VA)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tennessee lawmakers are rushing to pass SB 0836, a bill that would allow schools to deny children an education based on their immigration status. Protect the right to a public education.

https://act.nilc.org/page/81314/petition/1?supporter.appealCode=20250328_EG_TNeduPET_NILC&ea.url.id=3443411&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to protect the persecuted -

<https://www.votervoice.net/JFI/Campaigns/121779/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to oppose mass raids -

https://act.nilc.org/page/79035/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20250210_EG_MassRaids_NILC&ea.url.id=3312189&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to vote NO on the NO Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act -

https://act.nilc.org/page/79052/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20250206_EG_NoBailout_NILC&ea.url.id=3304632&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell DHS - No forced registration for immigrants.

<https://act.nilc.org/page/81021/petition/1?ea.tracking.id=web>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stand with immigrant youth. Tell you MOC to pass a pathway to citizenship now.

<https://act.nilc.org/page/69029/action/1?ea.tracking.id=web>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC - pass the Lift the Bar Act today.

<https://act.nilc.org/page/69031/action/1>

NATIONAL LEVEL -Urge Congress to protect Dreamers and mixed status families.

<https://www.votervoice.net/JFI/Campaigns/122719/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - DACA is in danger. Demand Congress deliver permanent protection now.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/daca-is-in-danger-demand-congress-deliver-permanent-protections-now/?source=email_01.24_1in180&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2592715&email_subject=congress-needs-to-hear-from-you-how-to-protect-immigrant-communities-today

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC. Oppose expansion of immigration detention -

<https://nrcat.salsalabs.org/immigration-detention-2025-1/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=5e4f9d1b-40ed-46b1-bf6a-2ae4bd83f159&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=52821cef-2ed3-4ab1-983a-bd39ff316d74>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Protect the US Refugee Resettlement Program -

<https://worldrelief.org/christianstatement/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the courts to stop Trump's admin racist actions against Venezuelans.

<https://wearecasa.org/updates/tell-courts-stop-trump-racist-attack-venezuelans-tps/?emci=254615d4-b1ef-ef11-90cb-0022482a94f4&emdi=7b27f3a0-bcef-ef11-90cb-0022482a94f4&ceid=12012340>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to you MOC to stop Trump's mass deportations -

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/stop-trumps-racist-mass-deportations-2/?source=group-takeitbackorg&referrer=group-takeitbackorg&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/tib_stop_trumps_racist_mass_deportations&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2625739&email_subject=tell-congress-no-more-racist-mass-deportations&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2625739

NATIONAL LEVEL - Advocate for asylum seekers and families at the border -

<https://worldrelief.org/advocate/asylum-seekers>

Action Three: Education

Are Trump's deportation plans testing the boundaries of presidential authority -

<https://www.americamagazine.org/politics-society/2025/03/21/trump-venezuela-gang-tren-de-agua-salvador-bukele-human-rights>

These churches offer shelter and sanctuary to vulnerable migrants -

<https://www.npr.org/2025/03/25/nx-s1-5287017/these-churches-offer-shelter-and-sanctuary-to-vulnerable-migrants-heres-why>

How worried should green card and visa holders be about Trump's deportations -

<https://www.vox.com/policy/405158/trump-deportation-detention-visa-green-card-airport-travel>

Catholic groups criticize cancellation of parole programs -

<https://catholicreview.org/catholic-groups-call-sudden-cancellation-of-chnv-migrants-program-counterproductive/>

Church run asylum shelter accused of breaking federal immigration law -

https://www.abqjournal.com/news/article_111be67e-fc0e-4a22-ab9a-a52ca5c6732d.html

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/tZwsde2spjotHtjBQ97m09XQRns5Bwjnisil>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) Extend TPS for eligible countries. People from these war torn, climate ravaged countries need help and protection. Thank you for your efforts!