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What's Happening

ICE hiring dozens of health workers as lawsuits, deaths in custody mount – Politico

Policy changes make getting religious worker visas more difficult - Global Sisters Report

ICE tickets Chicago man with legal residency \$130 for not having his papers - Chicago Trib

Judge orders ICE field dir into court to address tear gas/ use of body cameras - Chicago Trib

Trump considers overhaul of refugee system that would favor white people - NY Times

Chicago cafes/restaurants put up signs barring ICE - Chicago Tribune

Fed'l judge accuses Trump admin of bullying states over immigration enforcement - AP

LA County declares state of emergency to fight back against ICE immigration raids - LA Times

Top Cook County judge bars civil arrests at courthouses, citing effect - Chicago Sun Times

Circuit Court walks back judge's block on Trump's National Guard call-up in Chicago - Politico

Dept of Labor: Immigration enforcement risks labor shortages, higher food prices - Wash Post

Fed'l judge rules against ICE in warrantless arrests case - Kansas City Beacon

Action One: Prayer

May God bless you with discomfort... at easy answers, hard hearts, half-truths, and superficial relationships. May God bless you so that you may live from deep within your heart where God's Spirit dwells. May God bless you with anger... at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people. May God bless you so that you may work for justice, freedom, and peace. May God bless you with tears... to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war. May God bless you so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy. And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, in your neighborhood, so that you will courageously try..... but, in Jesus Christ you'll have all the strength necessary. Amen. (Franciscan Action Network)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stop the 'Show Your Papers' voter suppression rule -

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/stop-the-show-your-papers-voter-suppression-rule/?source=group-common-cause&referrer=group-common-cause&link_id=3&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2938367&&email_subject=stop-the-gops-latest-anti-voter-scheme

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Stop violent ICE patrols -

https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/end_violent_ice_raids_now/?t=5&akid=34257%2E8294413%2EhGjF4G

NATIONAL LEVEL - A new federal memo could silence dissent, (NSPM-7), titled "Countering Domestic Terrorism and Organized Political Violence." Tell Congress to act.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/a-new-federal-memo-could-silence-dissent-tell-congress-to-act/?source=group-democracy-for-america-advocacy-fund&referrer=group-democracy-for-america-advocacy-fund&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/dfa_defend_free_speech2&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2936669&&email_subject=congress-must-act-stop-trumps-plan-to-criminalize-dissent&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2936669

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your elected officials to condemn DHS plan to incentivize unaccompanied children's departure -

<https://cwsqglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-your-elected-officials-to-condemn-dhs-plan-to-incentivize-unaccompanied-childrens-departure/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Don't silence dissent with tear gas -

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/c3-no-tear-gas/?source=group-demand-progress-3&referrer=group-demand-progress-3&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2Fno_tear_gas

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to extend Affordable Care Act tax credits.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/extend-aca-tax-credits-cr?clear_id=true&source=direct_link

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your MOC: Cosponsor Neighbor Not Enemies Act and prevent future human rights abuses -

<https://cwsqglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-your-members-of-congress-to-cosponsor-the-neighbors-not-enemies-act-and-prevent-future-human-rights-abuses/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to stop the cuts to humanitarian aid -

https://act.hias.org/page/86896/action/1?en_txn6=MR-EM-FY25-09-advocacy_2025-advocacy-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=advocacy_2025&utm_content=FY25+09+Foreign+Aid+Funding+Action&ea.url.id=3977369

NATIONAL LEVEL -Tell Congress to stop militarization and close detention cntrs like Ft Bliss

https://sign.moveon.org/petitions/close-abusive-detention-centers?source=mo&utm_source=mo&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2909821&email_subject=sign-the-petition-re-fort-bliss-detention-camp&

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition: Investigate and shut down violent ICE detention centers

https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/investigate_ice_prisons/?t=19&akid=33987%2E8294413%2E2Qk6cd

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your MOC to support legislation that reverses harmful SNAP cuts -

<https://cwsqglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-your-members-of-congress-to-support-legislation-that-reverses-harmful-snap-cuts/>

Action Three: Education

As ICE rocks Chicago, Catholics respond with prayer and protest - <https://religionnews.com/2025/10/14/as-ice-rocks-chicago-catholics-respond-with-prayer-and-protest/>

Trump Labor Dept says his immigration raids are causing a food crisis -

<https://prospect.org/politics/trump-labor-department-immigration-ICE-food-crisis/>

Top Cook County judge bars civil arrests at courthouses, citing chilling effect -

https://chicago.suntimes.com/immigration/2025/10/14/top-cook-county-judge-bars-civil-arrests-at-courthouses-citing-chilling-effect?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=101525%20Morning%20Edition&utm_content=101525%20Morning%20Edition+CID_596764b7d0f85b9fdd7a45cae7d6e748&utm_source=cst_campaign_monitor&utm_term=Cook%20County%20judge%20bars%20civil%20arrests%20at%20courthouses%20citing%20chilling%20effect&tpcc=cst_cm

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. If you want to connect in Zoom or participate in person, 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.

Meetings begin with a small interfaith reflection and continue with our ICDI staff giving pgm updates. Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97m09XQRns5BwjnisjI>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) ICE has NO place in schools, hospitals or places of worship. Keep sanctuary sacred in these locations. Thank you for your efforts!