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What's Happening

Judge plans to release hundreds of 'Operation Midwest Blitz' arrestees on bond - Chicago Trib

Naturalized citizens thought they were safe. Trump's immigration policies are shaking that belief - AP

Charlotte, NC is the latest stop on DHS' immigration blitz. Locals say it's political - CNN

Border Patrol agents arrest 81 people on first day of Charlotte operation - wncn.com

As SNAP benefits resume, some Afghan immigrants who supported US war efforts are denied - Boston Globe

Pentagon to remove some Natl Guard troops from Chicago and Portland - NY Times

Court halts restrictions on commercial driver's licenses for immigrants - AP

US prepared to deport some Ukrainians back to war-ravaged country - Wash Post

US Bishops announce migrant accompaniment initiative - Catholic News Agency

Pope Leo's critique of Trump emboldens top US Catholic leaders to help immigrants - Reuters

Federal judge temporarily halts asylum fee application - CNN

Many Venezuelans leaving US as TPS ends - Wash Post

Action One: Prayer

Jesus, help me be angry for the right reasons, at the right time and in the right way. Give me fire in the face of injustice, but wisdom in executing an appropriate response. Direct the wasted energy of my anger into loving-kindness. Replace my idol of control with a submission to your purposes. Amen. (Franciscan Action Network)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Investigate ICE prisons and end Trump's violent ICE raids -

https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/investigate_and_end_violent_ice_invasions/?t=5&akid=34349%2E8294413%2EvtkmWL

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge lawmakers to prevent ground war with Venezuela -

https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/back_bipartisan_war_powers_resolution/?t=5&akid=34321%2E8294413%2EvzDeC0

NATIONAL LEVEL- ICE believes it's above the law. Demand Congress hold them accountable.

<https://act.nilc.org/page/90309/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20251105 EG ICEETT NILC&ea.url.id=4171712&forwarded=true>

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%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%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 - Demand permanent closure of Irwin County detention center in Georgia -

https://sign.moveon.org/petitions/permanently-close-the-irwin-county-detention-center?source=mo&utm_source=mo&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2953080&email_subject=will-you-sign-the-petition-to-demand-the-permanent-closure-of-irwin-county-detention-center-due-to-its-history-of-medical-mistreatment-and-abuse&

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Stop Ted Cruz's plan to criminalize protest -

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-stop-ted-cruzs-plan-to-criminalize-protest/?source=group-just-strategy&referrer=group-just-strategy&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/nc4j_stop_ted_cruz&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2955082&email_subject=tell-congress-stop-ted-cruzs-plan-to-criminalize-protest&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2955082

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell U.S. Catholic bishops to make a strong statement in favor of justice for immigrants.

<https://act.faithfulamerica.org/sign/usccb-leo-immigration-25/?t=2&akid=10548%2E853384%2E0fQBcN>

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

Action Three: Education

US Bishops announce migrant accompaniment initiative -

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/267759/you-are-not-alone-migrant-accompaniment-initiative-announced-by-us-bishops>

Tear gas, car crashes, rubber bullets: risky tactics have driven Trump's deportation blitz -

<https://chicago.suntimes.com/the-watchdogs/2025/11/14/ice-bovino-border-patrol-homeland-security-chicago-police-department>

Anecdotal evidence points to immigrants moving to other cities to escape immigration enforcement -

<https://www.npr.org/2025/11/13/nx-s1-5592335/we-need-to-get-out-of-here-trumps-immigration-crackdown-is-quietly-reshaping-where-immigrants-live-in-america>

Chicago priests support immigrants with a whistle and a rosary -

<https://www.ncronline.org/news/amid-ice-raids-chicago-priests-support-immigrants-whistle-and-rosary>

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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97m09XQRns5Bwjnisjl>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) No matter what games politicians play to divide and distract us all – the truth remains that immigrants are essential and always will be.

Thank you for your efforts!