



**December 15 - 21, 2025**

### **What's Happening**

**Trump launches \$1M 'gold card' visa scheme amid immigration crackdown - The Guardian**  
**Immigration activists mobilize as ICE presence grows in Syracuse, NY - The Daily Orange**  
**Judge halts DHS/ ICE enforcement of new protest guidelines outside fed'l bldgs - kval.com**  
**Fed'l agents arrest citizen observer watching ICE detain neighbors on her north Minnesota block - [mprnews.org](https://mprnews.org)**  
**Fed'l judge orders immediate release of Kilmar Abrego Garcia - ABC News**  
**US plans to scrutinize 5 yrs of social media history for foreign tourists - NY Times**  
**DHS inks contract to create its own fleet of 737 jets for deportation - Wash Post**  
**ICE has plan to arrest undocumented immigrants voluntarily leaving US - Huffington Post**  
**Trump must end National guard deployment in LA, judge rules - LA Times**  
**Gov Pritzker signs bill imposing new limits on immigration enforcement in IL - NY Times**  
**Speaker Johnson quietly cuts provisions about Afghan relocation from NDAA - Politico**  
**Trump's 'chilling' social media snooping rule imperils World Cup - Politico**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**O Lord Jesus, who crossed the border between heaven and earth in the Incarnation, who lived as a child refugee in Egypt, who wandered about Galilee with no place to lay your head, please be here with us today. Help us pray for migrants and refugees in our world. Where there is darkness and despair, bring the light of your hope. Where there is sadness and crying, bring your gentleness and love. Where there is fear and anxiety, bring your comfort and everlasting peace. Lord Jesus, raise our minds and hearts to the most vulnerable and marginalized of our human family. Help us to recognize your presence in all things, especially our brothers and sisters cast aside by society. Amen. (Novena prayer from Sr. Joann Ladwig, SCC)**

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

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

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Stop collective punishment of refugees and asylum seekers after tragic shooting** - <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-stop-collective-punishment-of-refugees-and-asylum-seekers-after-tragic-shooting/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Investigate and shut down violent ICE detention centers** - [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/shut-down-alligator-alcatraz-and-every-ice-black-site-detention-camp-in-america/?source=group-demand-progress-3&referrer=group-demand-progress-3&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2Fend\\_abusive\\_ice\\_prisons](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/shut-down-alligator-alcatraz-and-every-ice-black-site-detention-camp-in-america/?source=group-demand-progress-3&referrer=group-demand-progress-3&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2Fend_abusive_ice_prisons)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your MOC to condemn the Trump admin's anti-immigration policies** - <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-your-members-of-congress-to-condemn-extreme-anti-immigration-proposals>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand Congress extend the enhanced ACA tax credits before Dec 31.** [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/demand-congress-extend-the-enhanced-aca-premium-tax-credits-before-december-31st/?link\\_id=2&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-action-needed-the-senate-will-vote-next-week-on-extending-health-insurance-tax-credits&email\\_referrer=email\\_3007559&email\\_subject=action-needed-the-senate-will-vote-%20next-week-on-extending-health-insurance-tax-credits&&](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/demand-congress-extend-the-enhanced-aca-premium-tax-credits-before-december-31st/?link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-action-needed-the-senate-will-vote-next-week-on-extending-health-insurance-tax-credits&email_referrer=email_3007559&email_subject=action-needed-the-senate-will-vote-%20next-week-on-extending-health-insurance-tax-credits&&)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand your Senators co-sponsor the Dream Act** - [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/send-a-letter-demand-your-senators-co-sponsor-the-dream-act/?source=email\\_12.04&link\\_id=1&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_3007587&email\\_subject=send-a-letter-demand-your-senators-support-permanent-protections-for-immigrants&](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/send-a-letter-demand-your-senators-co-sponsor-the-dream-act/?source=email_12.04&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_3007587&email_subject=send-a-letter-demand-your-senators-support-permanent-protections-for-immigrants&)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Block Trump's crusade against free speech and nonprofits** - [https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/block\\_crusade\\_against\\_nonprofits/?t=5&akid=34395%2E8294413%2EStN215](https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/block_crusade_against_nonprofits/?t=5&akid=34395%2E8294413%2EStN215)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Shut down Alligator Alcatraz and every ICE black site detention camp** [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/shut-down-alligator-alcatraz-and-every-ice-black-site-detention-camp-in-america/?source=group-united-for-democracy&referrer=group-united-for-democracy&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/sh-ufd-alligator-alcatraz&link\\_id=0&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_2995739&&email\\_subject=shut-down-alligator-alcatraz&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\\_2995739](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/shut-down-alligator-alcatraz-and-every-ice-black-site-detention-camp-in-america/?source=group-united-for-democracy&referrer=group-united-for-democracy&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/sh-ufd-alligator-alcatraz&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2995739&&email_subject=shut-down-alligator-alcatraz&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2995739)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Call on Congress: No more deaths in ICE custody** - [https://act.nilc.org/page/90920/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20251119\\_EG\\_DetaineeETT\\_NILC&ea.url.id=4222679&forwarded=true](https://act.nilc.org/page/90920/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20251119_EG_DetaineeETT_NILC&ea.url.id=4222679&forwarded=true)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Stand with stranded refugees as Trump plans low refugee admissions** - <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-advocate-for-a-refugee-admissions-goal-that-reflects-humanitarian-values-and-responds-to-global-need/>

### **Action Three: Education**

**Immigrants from 19 countries kept from US Citizenship ceremonies** - <https://www.wgbh.org/news/local/2025-12-05/immigrants-kept-from-faneuil-hall-citizenship-ceremony-as-feds-crackdown-nationwide>

**Unaccompanied minors sent to TX border for deportation, lawyers said** - <https://www.borderreport.com/hot-topics/border-report-live/unaccompanied-migrant-children-being-sent-to-texas-border-to-be-deported-lawyers-say/>

**Trump says he's willing to meet Pope Leo, who criticized his immigration policies** - <https://www.osvnews.com/in-new-interview-trump-says-he-is-open-to-meet-pope-leo/>

**ONGOING: BROADVIEW ONLINE FRIDAY ROSARY:** The Rosary prayer conducted every Friday for our immigrant sisters and brothers in detention, deportation and their families, is continuing at 7:15am via Zoom. Sister Rita Specht will be leading the rosary. Feel free to connect beginning at 7AM. Whenever possible, the online community will be connected and pray together with the group at Broadview. **BY VIDEO:** Click [link](#) to join via Zoom video. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83127670921?pwd=aHBRVStiUWxPUWxadjRgQkRXK3A4UT09> **BY PHONE** (no changes): Please Dial 1-312-626-6799 to join the Rosary only by phone. The Mtg ID is 831 2767 0921 and Mtg Password is 321321321

**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)** Congress must deliver a pathway to citizenship for immigrant youth. Support DACA. Help them to become citizens. **Thank you for your efforts!**