



April 27 – May 3, 2026

What's Happening

Trump officials hire 'deportation judges' with less training, experience – Wash Post

Appeals court rules that Trump's asylum ban at the border is illegal - AP

Under Trump, green card seekers face new scrutiny for view on Israel - NY Times

Immigration agents told to use judicial warrants for home entry - Bloomberg Law

Senate GOP push measure to fund ICE through 2029 - NY Times

Trump posed to expand refugee program for white South Africans - Reuters

Appeals court blocks CA law requiring fed'l agents to wear identification - AP

Justice Dept targets hundreds of citizens in new push for denaturalization - NY Times

Appeals Court keeps 'Alligator Alcatraz' open, rejecting need for environmental review - AP

Supreme Ct to consider rights of lawful permanent residents accused of committing a crime - scotusblog.com

ICE is quietly targeting Chicago immigrants - Block Club Chicago

Trump is said to be in talks to send Afghans who aided US forces to Congo - NY Times

Action One: Prayer

God of all creation, You formed this earth as a home for all, rich in beauty, abundant in life, meant to be shared in justice and love. Open our eyes to the cries of the earth, wounded by neglect, pollution, and greed. Stir in us a deeper reverence for your creation that we may protect and restore what you have entrusted to us. Open our hearts to the cries of our sisters and brothers forced to leave their homes. Those displaced by violence, poverty, and the growing impacts of climate change. May we recognize in every migrant your presence, and respond with compassion, welcome, and dignity. We ask this in the spirit of hope and love that renews the face of the earth. Amen. (Author Unknown)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress: No more dollars for ICE and Border Patrol's chaos and cruelty. <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/urge-congress-no-more-dollars-for-ice-and-border-patrols-chaos-and-cruelty/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to take steps to end the war with Iran.

<https://franciscanactionnetwork.salsalabs.org/endtheiranwar/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=42ac379e-945e-4485-9534-f84272921b6b>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your Senators to immediately restore work permit protections for migrant workers who followed the law - [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/38-million-immigrant-workers-harmed-unless-we-](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/38-million-immigrant-workers-harmed-unless-we-act/?source=group-just-strategy&referrer=group-just-strategy&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/nc4j_restore_automatic_extensions_for_work_permits&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_3212344&&email_subject=trump-just-stripped-work-permits-from-38-million-immigrants-senators-must-reverse-it-now&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_3212344)

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NATIONAL LEVEL - Don't let Trump close the border to asylum seekers.

<https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/ice-prisons-shut-down/?t=5&akid=34958%2E8294413%2EHDT7M>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Investigate and shut down Trump's horrific ICE detention centers -

<https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/ice-prisons-shut-down/?t=5&akid=34958%2E8294413%2EHDT7M>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to end the cash-for-deportation scheme.

https://civicshout.com/p/tell-congress-end-the-cash-for-deportation-scheme?ref=YCa8AXQ&answer%5Bfirst_name%5D=Benita&answer%5Blast_name%5D=Coffey%20OSB&answer%5Bemail%5D=lbrayerpic2@gmail.com&answer%5Bzip_code%5D=606451913&answer%5Bphone%5D=

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to reject any budget packages that slash basic need pgms to pay for ICE and Pentagon.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-reject-any-budget-package-that-slashes-basic-needs-programs-to-pay-for-billions-of-dollars-for-ice-and-the-pentagon/?source=group-rfaction&referrer=group-rfaction&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/rfa_reject_war_over_needs_budget&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_3178014&email_subject=tell-congress-to-reject-cuts-to-basic-needs-and-stop-funding-ice-expansion&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_3178014

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress - no money for ICE warehouse prisons.

https://act.nilc.org/page/96346/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20260410_EG_WarehouseETT_NILC&ea.url.id=4834605&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to ensure immigration enforcement respects human dignity and religious freedom for all-

<https://www.voterveice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/134634/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Trump to stop the election power grab

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/stop-trumps-emergency-plot-to-take-over-elections/?source=direct_link&referrer=group-free-speech-for-people&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/rfa_reject_war_over_needs_budget&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_3178014&email_subject=tell-congress-to-reject-cuts-to-basic-needs-and-stop-funding-ice-expansion&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_3178014

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Google and YouTube to stop running ICE ads -

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/google-stop-taking-money-from-ice/?source=group-demand-progress-3&referrer=group-demand-progress-3&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/rfa_reject_war_over_needs_budget&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_3178014&email_subject=tell-congress-to-reject-cuts-to-basic-needs-and-stop-funding-ice-expansion&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_3178014

NATIONAL LEVEL - Protect democracy - Tell your Senator to vote NO.

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/tell-congress-no-funding-for-lawless-immigration-enforcement/>

Action Three: Education

Trump is said to be in talks to send Afghans who aided US forces to Congo -

https://www.nytimes.com/2026/04/21/world/europe/afghan-refugees-congo-us.html?unlocked_article_code=1.c1A.ieDc.2iUlgF_PJ_AT&smid=nytcare-ios-share

Fed'l judge orders release of Egyptian family who spent 10 mos at Dilley Detention Center -

<https://www.texastribune.org/2026/04/20/el-gamal-family-dilley-family-detention-texas-released/>

Immigration crackdown pushes some mixed-status families to leave US -

<https://www.latintimes.com/us-immigration-crackdown-pushes-some-mixed-status-families-leave-american-dream-behind-596749>

Justice Dept makes it easier to deport those with DACA status -

<https://www.npr.org/2026/04/25/nx-s1-5798943/justice-department-makes-it-easier-to-deport-those-with-daca-status>

ONGOING: BOADVIEW 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=aHBRVStiUWxPUWxadjRqQkRXK3A4UT09> **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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97m09XQRns5Bwjinisil>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen) Tell your Senators to immediately restore work permit protections for migrant workers who followed the law. Reverse Trump's executive order

Thank you for your efforts!