





## October 3 - 9, 2022

## What's Happening

Migrant encounters are higher at TX border under Gov Abbott's plan - Texas Trib

White House hosts meeting of 19 western hemisphere nations to begin coordinated efforts on migrants - CNN

Biden admin preparing to take executive action to protect DACA 'Dreamers' - NBC News

DHS won't conduct immigration enforcement at Hurricane Ian relief sites - Axios

El Paso to spend \$4 million for migrant busing - Border Report

**US extends TPS for people from Myanmar - AP** 

US to resume full immigrant visa processing in Havana in early 2023 - Reuters

Federal Appeals court blocks CA ban on for-profit prisons - AP

Border crossing asylum seekers hit six year high in Canada - Reuters

Biden keeps US target for refugee admissions at 125,000 - AP

Undocumented immigrants can now get California ID's - Fox LA

Bill to grant Afghan evacuees a path to residency hits snag - NY Times

Record pace for green cards won't last without congressional action - Roll Call

## **Action One: Prayer**

Loving God, you create every person in your image and unite us all in one human family. As our brothers' and sisters' keepers, fill us with courage and compassion, that we might meet the hardships of migrants and refugees, not with silence and indifference, but with generous acts of mercy, welcoming every stranger as Christ in our midst. Amen. (Catholic Charities)

## Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your Senators to support meaningful, bipartisan immigration reform. <a href="https://p2a.co/2tslYOu">https://p2a.co/2tslYOu</a>

NATIONAL LEVEL - To President Biden and Congress: DACA needs permanent protections. https://unitedwedream.org/actions/daca-turns-10-now-we-need-permanent-protections-for-all/?source=group-sojoaction&referrer=group-sojoaction

NATIONAL LEVEL - US must restore the refugee admission program. Ask the Biden admin to raise refugee admissions for the coming fiscal year.

https://act.hias.org/page/44039/action/1?utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=hias.org&utm\_campaign=advocacy&utm\_content=+Take+Action:+ The+U.S.+Should+Welcome+200k+Refugees+in+2023&ea.url.id=1400780&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Sec of Education Cardona to act so children don't become victims of the school-to-deportation pipeline. Make schools safe for all students.

https://act.nilc.org/page/44266/petition/1?ea.url.id=1421575&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge state and local leaders to support refugee resettlement in FY 2023. <a href="https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/urgent-action-tell-your-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-the-property-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-a

200000-for-fy-2023/

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to support funding to reunite separated families.

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/petitions/tell-congress-support-funding-to-reunite-separated-families?detail=emailaction&link\_id=4&can\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-act-now-to-reunite-separated-families-2&email\_referrer=email\_1642119&email\_subject=sign-the-petition-reunite-families-seeking-asylum

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to swiftly pass the bipartisan Afghan Adjustment Act. https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-congress-to-swiftly-pass-the-bipartisan-afghan-adjustment-act/

NATIONAL LEVEL - Help our new Afghan neighbors to integrate. Tell Congress to support the Afghan Adjustment Act. <a href="https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/97338/Respond">https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/97338/Respond</a>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Congress must pass the Afghan Adjustment Act.

https://act.hias.org/page/43442/action/1?utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=hias.org&utm\_campaign=advocacy&utm\_content=lt%E2%80%99s+time+to+pass+the+Afghan+Adjustment+Act&ea.url.id=1391005&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Sec Mayorkas to shut down Berks immigrant prison once and for all. https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-secretary-mayorkas-to-shut-down-the-berks-immigrant-prison-once-and-for-all?source=direct\_link&

**Action Three: Education** 

(Audio) Immigration is a divisive issue, but most Americans agree on certain points - https://www.npr.org/transcripts/1125024784

Debates around migration have never been simple - just look at the Hebrew Bible - <a href="https://religionnews.com/2022/09/26/debates-about-migration-have-never-been-simple-just-look-at-the-hebrew-bible/">https://religionnews.com/2022/09/26/debates-about-migration-have-never-been-simple-just-look-at-the-hebrew-bible/</a>

Migrant children face distress at Fort Bliss, per internal investigation -

https://www.cbsnews.com/news/immigration-fort-bliss-hhs-inspector-general-report/

Biden is hoping small changes go a long way on immigration -

https://www.nytimes.com/2022/09/27/us/politics/biden-immigration-asylum.html?utm\_source=Newsletter\_Daily-Rundown-Non-Member&utm\_medium=WBEZEmail&utm\_campaign=Daily\_Newsletter\_Daily-Rundown\_Sponsored\_20220928&utm\_content=9/28/2022&DE=WBEZEmail

El Paso to spend \$4 million for migrant busing - https://www.borderreport.com/immigration/el-paso-to-spend-additional-4-million-for-migrant-busing/

Communities hosting refugees need help and a more positive narrative -

 $\underline{https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2022-09/icmc-canadian-embassy-workshop-sponsorship-refugees.html}\\$ 

**Action Four: Action** 

ONGOING: BROADVIEW ONLINE FRIDAY ROSARY: The Rosary prayer is conducted every Friday at 7:15 a.m. 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 you are interested in participating, email <a href="mailto:kdonayre@icdichicago.org">kdonayre@icdichicago.org</a> to be added to the emailing list.

ICDI Monthly meetings: Monthly meetings on the 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. Everyone is welcome. Register here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisjJ

<u>Action Five: Social Media</u>: (@Rep/Sen) Once again, we find ourselves awaiting a court ruling on the future of DACA and the lives of thousands of immigrant youths. The only way out of this constant state of uncertainly & legal limbo is a pathway to citizenship.

Thank you for your efforts!