



April 30 - May 6, 2018 Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

Sessions resumes immigrant legal advice program under pressure from Congress - CNN

Top Homeland Security officials urge criminal prosecution of parents crossing border with children - Washington Post

U.S. Must Keep DACA and Accept New Applications, Federal Judge Rules - NY Times

9,000 Nepalis face deportation as Trump administration prepares to cancel residency permits - Washington Post

Greyhound Choosing to Let Border Patrol Demand Its Passengers' Papers - Huffington Post

"Queen of the hill": the obscure House rule that could force the House to take up immigration bills - Vox

Action One: Prayer

Good and gracious God, we pray for all people who are migrating particularly those who are forced from their homes or separated from their families because of threats of violence and persecution. We ask that you protect and keep them safe. Although we come from different countries, and have our origins in different cultures, we were all created by you, and are made in your image, and therefore we all share an inalienable dignity that is deserving of respect. Lord, we ask that you give us the strength to defend those who are marginalized, to give aid to those in need, to come to the defense of those who are poor or vulnerable, and to welcome those who are on the move into our homes and into our hearts. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. (USCCB)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Let Dreamers Stay. The clock is ticking for Dreamers. Call your MOCs today. http://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/51467/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=24194

NATIONAL LEVEL - SIMN asks that you contact DHS at (202-282-8495) to oppose the policy/practice of separating children from their parents at the US/Mexico border.

NATIONAL LEVEL - Moms make our families, congregations and nation work. We call on MOC's to honor all moms and unite immigrant families. Sign the petition to protect immigrant mothers: http://fpl.actionkit.com/sign/md_signon/?t=2&akid=574%2E48167%2EExZYT01

NATIONAL LEVEL - Keep Alejandra Home. Tell AZ Gov. Ducey to Pardon Activist Alejandra Pablos and Keep Her Home - <https://action.mijente.net/petitions/keep-alejandra-home-tell-az-gov-ducey-to-pardon-activist-alejandra-pablos-and-keep-her-home>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to DHS and ICE: Stop terrorizing our communities. <http://action.nilc.org/page/s/nilc-DHS?source=em180320-full>

NATIONAL LEVEL - ICE arrested approximately 100 people from a meatpacking plant in Tennessee - largest worksite immigration raid in a decade. Tell Congress: Support the Dignity for Detained Immigrants Act.

https://act.credoaction.com/sign/dignity_immigrants?t=3&akid=28080%2E2678758%2ENGckm

NATIONAL LEVEL - Time to push Congress to do the right thing. Sign our petition and send a message that we are sick and tired of Trump's anti-immigrant agenda and that Congress must pass the Dream Act now. <http://nilc.cp.bsd.net/page/signup/nilc-spendingbill?source=em180329-full>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Rep Goodlatte's immigration bill (HR 4760) would deport Dreamers who failed to earn enough money. It would also: *dramatically* cut legal immigration, slashing the ability of US citizens to sponsor family members and eliminating the diversity visa category altogether. Reject this bill. Contact your Representatives and demand a solution for Dreamers. http://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/51467/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=24582

Action Three: Education

"Queen of the hill": the obscure House rule that could force the House to take up immigration bills - <https://www.vox.com/2018/4/19/17253856/daca-congress-immigration-news>

Smugglers Inc. - Time magazine article about the Woman Smuggling Migrants From Central America to the U.S.- <http://time.com/smugglers-inc/>

Upstate NY farmer says ICE stormed his farm without a warrant, cuffed him, threw his phone - http://www.syracuse.com/news/index.ssf/2018/04/upstate_ny_farmer_says_ice_officers_stormed_his_farm_without_a_warrant_cuffed_hi.html?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=cce33bd9bd-CLINIC_Daily_4-25-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-cce33bd9bd-284015825

Almost 1,500 Migrant Children Placed in Homes by the U.S. Govt. Went Missing Last Year - http://time.com/5256734/government-missing-migrant-children/?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=7c78e59320-CLINIC_Daily_4-30-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-7c78e59320-284015825

USCIS Lays Out Far-Reaching Anti-Immigration Agenda -

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/stuartanderson/2018/04/26/uscis-lays-out-far-reaching-anti-immigration-agenda/#5f86c4e01721>

Action Four: Action

MAY 10: NATIONAL IMMIGRANT JUSTICE CENTER: Dolores: Film screening and reception 5:30 - 8pm (doors open at 5pm) Harold Washington College, 30 E. Lake St., Room 103, Chicago Reception will follow the film. http://org2.salsalabs.com/o/5967/p/salsa/event/common/public/?event_KEY=87631&q=Dolores

MAY 11: INTERFAITH COMMUNITY FOR DETAINED IMMIGRANTS: American Tunes Concert, Lake St. Church, [607 Lake St. Evanston](http://www.icdichicago.org); tickets \$20 or \$25 at the door. Order at www.icdichicago.org or 773-779 6011, x 3846.

JUNE 19: NATL IMMIGRANT JUSTICE CENTER: Human Rights awards with keynote speaker DOLORES HUERTA. 12 PM, Chicago Marriott on Michigan Ave. Buy tickets: https://org2.salsalabs.com/o/5967/p/salsa/event/common/public/?event_KEY=87259&utm_source=suppnewslettermar2018&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=hra2018

ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS: 7 AM, [1930 Beach St., Broadview, IL](http://www.icdichicago.org) First Fridays are Interfaith Services; other Fridays center on the Catholic Rosary **DIRECTIONS:** from Loop, take I-290 west to south 25th Ave, then to exit 18A; turn right at Lexington, left at Beach St.

Action Five: Social Media - @WhiteHouse – Support DACA thru the DreamAct #DACA #DefendDACA **Thank you for all you do!**