



## December 3 - 9, 2018 Alert on Immigration

### What's Happening?

Deported Oakland nurse could return to US on H-1B visa - Mercury News

Tijuana looks to new Mexican president for help with migrant caravan - SDiego Union Trib

Border agents fired tear gas into Mexico. Was it legal? - NY Times

Baltimore sues Trump admin over immigration policy city says keeps residents from seeking benefits - Baltimore Sun

Families are still being separated at the border, months after 'zero tolerance' was reversed - ProPublica

US waived FBI checks on staff at growing teen migrant camp - AP

A defendant shows up in immigration court by himself. He's 6. - ProPublica

### Action One: Prayer

We pray for those who leave their homes in search of new beginnings and possibilities, may they know your presence with them. We pray that those who seek to make a home in this country may find us welcoming and willing to help them find a path toward citizenship. We pray that our legislators, as they craft new immigration legislation may find the wisdom and courage to enact new policies that do justice for our country and for those who would immigrate here. We pray for those who fan the flames of fear and discrimination against the undocumented may be touched with your divine compassion. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. (The Archdiocese of Chicago)

### Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Friday, Dec 7 is the deadline by which Congress must vote to approve its funding decisions, including funds related to immigrant detention & deportation. Call your MOC's at [1-866-940-2439](tel:1-866-940-2439) to urge them to reduce funding for detention and deportations.

NATIONAL LEVEL - Greyhound needs to stop allowing the Border Patrol onto their busses to perform warrantless searches. Tell Greyhound to stop aiding Trump's deportation machine.

[https://act.colorofchange.org/sign/Greyhound\\_BorderPatrol/?t=4&akid=21972%2E364373%2E5HQpb9](https://act.colorofchange.org/sign/Greyhound_BorderPatrol/?t=4&akid=21972%2E364373%2E5HQpb9)

NATIONAL LEVEL - Call the White House and Department of Homeland Security: [Dept. of Homeland Sec comment line: 202-282-8495](tel:202-282-8495) and [WH comment line: 202-456-1111](tel:202-456-1111). Tell them you oppose any action to prevent people from seeking asylum and not punish people seeking safety by separating them from their children or detaining them indefinitely.

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Stop funding ICE terror. Block any bill that expands Trump's criminalization and deportation agenda.

[https://act.credoaction.com/sign/block\\_ice\\_funding?t=5&akid=29912%2E2678758%2EvvigUJ](https://act.credoaction.com/sign/block_ice_funding?t=5&akid=29912%2E2678758%2EvvigUJ)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Pledge to stand in solidarity with people seeking asylum.** In the face of this inhumane decision, we invite you to stand in solidarity with people fleeing violence and seeking asylum. Join the 4,200 who have signed the PLEDGE to stand in solidarity with people seeking asylum. <http://fpl.actionkit.com/sign/pledge-solidarity-asylees?source=LCWR>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - SIMN asks you to submit a comment opposing the proposed rule on public charge.** The comment can be submitted at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) An action alert with a sample letter can be found at <http://simn-global.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Action-Alert.pdf>.

**NATIONAL LEVEL - ICE is asking Congress to give it a special increase in funds. Tell Congress: defund family separation and immigration detention.**

[http://action.immigrantjustice.org/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action\\_KEY=26313&utm\\_source=actionalert&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=defundhate&utm\\_term=anomalyalert](http://action.immigrantjustice.org/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=26313&utm_source=actionalert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=defundhate&utm_term=anomalyalert)

### **Action Three: Education**

**Tear gas at the border: how a march at the US-Mexico border descended into chaos -** <https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2018/11/26/18112474/tear-gas-border-patrol-caravan-rocks>

**7 portraits of young people traveling in the migrant caravan -** [https://www.teenvogue.com/gallery/7-young-people-in-the-migrant-caravan?fbclid=IwAR0-RBbTQ928rT5COLXZlzuUrD14iLs-2ikgzKeHYnzXjuM0UIGvA31UkSI&utm\\_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm\\_campaign=039f1bd576-CLINIC\\_Daily\\_12-03-18&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_a33179621a-039f1bd576-284015825](https://www.teenvogue.com/gallery/7-young-people-in-the-migrant-caravan?fbclid=IwAR0-RBbTQ928rT5COLXZlzuUrD14iLs-2ikgzKeHYnzXjuM0UIGvA31UkSI&utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=039f1bd576-CLINIC_Daily_12-03-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-039f1bd576-284015825)

**Proactive and patient - report from Center for Am. Progress**

<https://www.americanprogress.org/issues/immigration/reports/2018/11/14/460894/proactive-and-patient/>

**US unauthorized immigrant total lowest in a decade - Pew Research report**

<http://www.pewhispanic.org/2018/11/27/u-s-unauthorized-immigrant-total-dips-to-lowest-level-in-a-decade/>

**Epic connection - University of Notre Dame:** [https://www.nd.edu/stories/epic-connection/?utm\\_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm\\_campaign=c7fc7fae44-CLINIC\\_Daily\\_11-27-18&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_a33179621a-c7fc7fae44-284015825](https://www.nd.edu/stories/epic-connection/?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=c7fc7fae44-CLINIC_Daily_11-27-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-c7fc7fae44-284015825)

**(Op-ed in Wash Post) - Do It Congress. Build the wall - and save the Dreamers.**

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/do-it-congress-build-the-wall--and-save-the-dreamers/2018/11/26/4640c79a-eda3-11e8-8679-934a2b33be52\\_story.html?utm\\_term=.0a53f1777b12](https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/do-it-congress-build-the-wall--and-save-the-dreamers/2018/11/26/4640c79a-eda3-11e8-8679-934a2b33be52_story.html?utm_term=.0a53f1777b12)

**A defendant shows up in immigration court by himself. He's 6.** <https://www.propublica.org/article/6-year-old-in-immigration-court-by-himself-zero-tolerance-family-separation#nws=mcnewsletter>

### **Action Four: Action**

**ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS:** 7 AM, 1930 Beach St., Broadview, IL

First Fridays-Interfaith Services; other Fridays-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.

**Wed., Dec 5: Candlelight Vigil - Protecting Immigrant Families.** Federal Plaza, 219 S. Dearborn, Chicago. 5-6:30pm. Organized by ICIRR. Join to help end family separation. December 5 is five days before the public charge deadline.

**Friday, Dec 14: XIII Annual Posada - Seeking Immigration Reform.** (7a - 9a) 101 W. Congress Pkwy, Chicago. Route: From Correctional Center (71 W. Van Buren St), DePaul (1 E. Jackson Blvd), Fed'l Plaza and St. Peter's (110 W. Madison St). Join to walk/pray in solidarity with immigrant sisters and brothers who are seeking legislative shelter, "Posada." Hosted by Pastoral Migratoria, Archdiocese of Chicago. For info: [catholicsandimmigrants.org](http://catholicsandimmigrants.org) or contact Raymundo Valez at [rvaldez@archchicago.org](mailto:rvaldez@archchicago.org) or 312.534.8503

**Action Five: Social Media - @WhiteHouse** As Christians, we should share the heart of Jesus for refugees. Applying for asylum is legal in the US and should be carried out for everyone who seeks to apply. Everyone should have the opportunity.

**Thank you for all your support!**