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What's Happening?

Justice Dept. creates section dedicated to denaturalization cases - CNN

Immigrants could face nearly \$1,000 charge to appeal deportation orders - NY Times

DHS expands programs that fast track asylum process - Roll Call

Court won't let Trump's pardon void guilty verdict against Arpaio - Politico

Judge rules Ken Cuccinelli not appointed as USCIS's director legally - BuzzFeed

Court temporarily blocks Trump's Remain in Mexico policy; then suspends its own order - LA Times

Trump's 'Remain in Mexico' immigration policy allowed to proceed temporarily - Reuters

Record high: 1 in 10 eligible American voters are immigrants - NBC News

Trump freezes hiring for immigrant services - Government Executive

Sotomayor issues scathing dissent in SC order that could reshape legal immigration - CNN

Deportation for Mexican woman could mean foster care for her children - Orange County Register

Court rules Trump admin can withhold grants from 'sanctuary cities' - NBC News

Action One: Prayer

Powerful and Loving God, you have blessed us with DACA leaders who arrived here as children and today seek a way to make their contribution to our common life. We pray for them now. We pray that they will continue to be allowed to work, study, and live in safety. We pray that those in authority may turn away from the demons of prejudice, fear and scarcity, and instead that they will set their hearts on acts of mercy. We pray that you will give us vision and inspire our concrete actions as we seek to realize our goal of liberty and justice for all. AMEN. (Faith4Daca)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Protect DACA recipients. This spring the Supreme Court will announce its decision on DACA. Contact your senators and tell them to urge Senator Mitch McConnell to allow a vote on the Senate floor and to pass a clean Dream Act of 2019 (S. 874).

https://ignatiansolidarity.net/action-alerts/protect-daca-recipients/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=8c3f1ef67b-02.07.20_immigration_update_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-8c3f1ef67b-146883633&mc_cid=8c3f1ef67b&mc_eid=adefda0a7a

NATIONAL LEVEL - End Trump's Muslim ban and guarantee immigrants equal treatment under the law.

<https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-if-you-agree-end-trumps-muslim-ban-and-guarantee-immigrants-equal-treatment-under-the-law?eType=EmailBlastContent&eid=0bcc3068-523f-4bb5-baa1-52e3a6a5a905>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Calling interfaith voices to condemn the admin's plan to terrorize local communities. Contact DHS to oppose tactical units in your community. <https://p2a.co/0AxGZBJ>

NATIONAL LEVEL -Call on Congress to save asylum. Legislators must stop Trump's "Remain in Mexico" policy from returning people to danger. <https://www.uusc.org/initiatives/call-on-congress-to-save-asylum/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=7b8df859-3b01-4db1-b71e-f39b36a6d4c3>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign and send this petition to your state elected officials: do even more to curb climate change. https://actionnetwork.org/letters/sign-and-send-the-petition-to-your-state-elected-officials-do-even-more-to-curb-climate-change-we-do-not-have-time-to-wait?source=2020EarthDayStateLetters_FAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=fe7d5b13-0f7a-4270-af71-486e6d9ee475

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition: Demand Congress enact humane treatment for asylum seekers and immigrants. https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-demand-congress-enact-humane-treatment-for-asylum-seekers-and-immigrants?source=2019DignityforImmigrants_FAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=76be7177-0454-4cfe-a9f5-bbf764553e4

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to Congress calling for the protection of those seeking asylum at our border. https://ignatiansolidarity.net/campaignforhospitality/2019/06/27/action-alert-inherent-dignity-of-asylum-seekers/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=fdbd2096e3-Light_Darkness_2019&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-fdbd2096e3-255847889&mc_cid=fdbd2096e3&mc_eid=9c9f057a6f

Action Three: Education

Immigrants react as public charge goes into effect -

<https://www.npr.org/2020/02/24/808995286/immigrants-react-as-public-charge-rule-goes-into-effect>

Navigating the US asylum system; one Nicaraguan women's journey -

<https://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/immigration/story/2020-02-24/protecting-the-worlds-most-vulnerable-what-it-takes-to-make-a-case-under-us-asylum-system>

A former border patrol agent, at risk of deportation - https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2020/02/a-former-border-agent-at-risk-of-deportation/606418/?fbclid=IwAR23NVhVXfZw_SxT3QMxefhukwPU4LJWvANYbYQhmarEF4vSVyONjCAaYqI

Editorial: America's Hmong allies, and deportation orders - https://journaltimes.com/opinion/editorial/journal-times-editorial-america-s-hmong-allies-and-deportation-orders/article_ceed5851-cfd1-566f-8e21-cb38a86e1c4a.html

Supreme Court turns to immigration with 2 major cases -

<https://www.npr.org/2020/02/26/809358454/supreme-court-turns-to-immigration-with-2-major-cases>

Trump admin owes migrant families separated at border reparations for 'torture' and 'forced disappearance,' doctors say - <https://www.newsweek.com/trump-admin-owes-migrant-families-separated-border-reparations-physicians-human-rights-1488947>

Harris County approves plan for deportation defense fund

<https://www.houstonpublicmedia.org/articles/news/politics/immigration/2020/02/25/361783/commissioners-court-approves-hidalgos-plan-for-deportation-defense-fund/>

In the midst of a border crisis, cooking is more than survival - https://www.bonappetit.com/story/cooking-at-border?te=1&nl=morning-briefing&emc=edit_NN_p_20200225§ion=whatElse&campaign_id=9&instance_id=16261&segment_id=21590&user_id=cf1a81d78ec90d330737ebd5a6f91e1b&reqi_id=74350359ion=whatElse

The World's Refugee system is broken - <https://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2020/02/japan-refugees-asylum-broken/607003/>

Action Four: Action

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

Join in prayer vigil at the immigration processing center to provide public witness and accompaniment to those about to be deported. First Fridays are Interfaith Services; other Fridays center on the Catholic Rosary DIRECTIONS: from Loop, take I-290 west to south 25thAve, then to exit 18A; turn right at Lexington, left at Beach St.

Action Five: Social Media – (@ Sen/Rep) DACA not only benefits its recipients, but also our country. Don't let the Trump admin take it away. Let's uphold America's sacred legacy as a nation of immigrants & a beacon of fairness & opportunity. **Thank you for all your efforts.**