



**March 2 - 8, 2020**

### **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](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](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](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](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](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](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&section=whatElse&campaign\\_id=9&instance\\_id=16261&segment\\_id=21590&user\\_id=cf1a81d78ec90d330737ebd5a6f91e1b&reqi\\_id=74350359ion=whatElse](https://www.bonappetit.com/story/cooking-at-border?te=1&nl=morning-briefing&emc=edit_NN_p_20200225&section=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.****