



**January 23 - 29, 2023**

### **What's Happening**

**DHS policy protects migrant workers in labor investigations - AP**

**Immigration legislation exposes House GOP rift - Wash Post**

**“Noncitizen” will now be printed on Ohio Driver’s Licenses and IDs - Cleveland Scene**

**Biden admin invited ordinary Americans to help settle refugees - NY Times**

**ICE releases thousands of migrants affected by data breach - LA Times**

**US launches pilot pgm to allow private sponsorship of refugees around the world - CBS**

**San Antonio, Austin partner to aid migrant travel to cities across US - San Antonio Report**

**First migrants cross into US from Mexico using mobile app - Reuters**

**FL grand jury calls for new laws on illegal immigration - AP**

**Senate Dems urge Biden to investigate border paramilitary groups - The Hill**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**Creator God, open our eyes so we can see you in the eyes of our immigrant brothers and sisters, eyes downcast for having lived so long in the shadows, eyes challenging us to join them in the streets or picket lines, eyes lifted looking for the Christ light in us. Compassionate God, who has come to dwell among us, open our ears to hear the cries of your children, children being separated from their parents, rounded up in raids, led to detention centers, silently giving up dreams. God of Justice, who crosses all boundaries, give us courage to resist, to say NO to unfair labor practices, to unjust laws. Give us the strength to stand with and for your inclusive love, faith to believe, another world is necessary and possible. Let it begin with us. (United Church of Christ)**

### **Action Two: Calls/Letters**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell our natl leaders to welcome people seeking protection and reject dangerous and immoral anti-asylum policies.** <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-tell-our-national-leaders-to-welcome-people-seeking-protection-and-reject-dangerous-and-immoral-anti-asylum-policies/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell President Biden to end, not expand Title 42.** <https://secure.phr.org/secure/biden-end-not-expand-title-42?af=K9VKf8Tz7KW5P%2BGllcNAE51uLLdJg2YrDjS0Ha09GmPpLJMcybljD8vIAPmqI66dzmyvhO8STeDfXiNkARLmIAsMDfHVgD4FK2fZh66eNBOQcEuQOHICw>

[GQP5YVGOZjI4qc9JFStwUA%2F9VvqWF74LOMZ%2FvjPIXQFtt4%2BzNQPo%3D&CID=7015G0000000754QAC&ms=FY23\\_Asylum\\_Email4\\_FullFile\\_Advoca&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_source=FullFile&utm\\_content=Email4&utm\\_term=Advocacy&utm\\_campaign=FY23\\_Asylum&dm\\_i=4GV7,J4TU,1IFFC0,2436B,1](https://secure.phr.org/secure/biden-end-not-expand-title-42?af=K9VKf8Tz7KW5P%2BGllcNAE51uLLdJg2YrDjS0Ha09GmPpLJMcybljD8vIAPmqI66dzmyvhO8STeDfXiNkARLmIAsMDfHVgD4FK2fZh66eNBOQcEuQOHICw)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Sign onto the AOC-Menendez letter against the expansion of Title 42 and the Trump era asylum ban.** [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-sign-on-to-the-aoc-menendez-letter-against-the-expansion-of-title-42-and-the-trump-era-asylum-ban/?link\\_id=1&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-tell-congress-support-immigrants-rights-cancel-asylum-bans-now&email\\_referrer=email\\_1793363&email\\_subject=tell-congress-support-immigrants-rights-cancel-asylum-bans-now](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-sign-on-to-the-aoc-menendez-letter-against-the-expansion-of-title-42-and-the-trump-era-asylum-ban/?link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-tell-congress-support-immigrants-rights-cancel-asylum-bans-now&email_referrer=email_1793363&email_subject=tell-congress-support-immigrants-rights-cancel-asylum-bans-now)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Restore and adequately resource the asylum system -**

<https://www.congressweb.com/GSNAC/320/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Biden: allow entry to families denied by Trump's Muslim and African**

**bans -** <https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-to-president-biden-allow-entry-to-families-denied-by-trumps-muslim-and-african-bans/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - DACA still in danger! ADD YOUR NAME: PROTECT ALL IMMIGRANTS!**

[https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-up-now-to-defend-all-immigrants?source=direct\\_link&](https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-up-now-to-defend-all-immigrants?source=direct_link&)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress that undocumented immigrant youth need protection.**

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-undocumented-immigrant-youth-need-protection-from-deportations/?source=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/protections\\_for\\_dreamers&link\\_id=1&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_1765882&email\\_subject=immigrant-rights-are-human-rights&refcode>EmailReferrer=email\\_1765882](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-undocumented-immigrant-youth-need-protection-from-deportations/?source=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/protections_for_dreamers&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_1765882&email_subject=immigrant-rights-are-human-rights&refcode>EmailReferrer=email_1765882)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to reject anti-asylum policies that perpetuate violence and**

**racism.** <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-congress-to-reject-anti-asylum-policies-that-perpetuate-violence-and-racism/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress - undocumented youth need protection from deportation.**

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-undocumented-immigrant-youth-need-protection-from-deportations/?source=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/protections\\_for\\_dreamers&link\\_id=1&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_1765882](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-undocumented-immigrant-youth-need-protection-from-deportations/?source=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/protections_for_dreamers&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_1765882)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Ask Philadelphia DA Krasner to Support Justice for Denis Calderon.**

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/ask-philadelphia-district-attorney-larry-krasner-to-support-justice-for-denis-calderon?clear\\_id=true&source=email-rapid-action-call-on-da-krasner-to-support-justice-for-denis](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/ask-philadelphia-district-attorney-larry-krasner-to-support-justice-for-denis-calderon?clear_id=true&source=email-rapid-action-call-on-da-krasner-to-support-justice-for-denis)

### **Action Three: Education**

**DHS fails to address concerns about CBP One as the Agency expands the App's use -**

<https://immigrationimpact.com/2023/01/13/concerns-cbp-one-app-dhs-expands/?emci=a5142695-9593-ed11-9d7b-00224832e811&emdi=be977391-ed94-ed11-9d7b-00224832e811&ceid=9493976>

**Chicago exploring ways to improve being a sanctuary city -** <https://news.wttw.com/2023/01/14/welcome-chicago-exploring-what-it-means-be-sanctuary-city>

**(Report) Immigration backlog hit 2 million with wait times dragging up to 4 years -**

<https://www.borderreport.com/immigration/report-immigration-backlog-hits-2-million-with-wait-times-dragging-up-to-4-years/>

**(Opinion) Embracing immigrants is the least our rich nation can do -**

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2023/01/15/embracing-immigrants-is-least-our-rich-nation-can-do/>

**Americans can sponsor refugees directly under program launching this week -**

[https://www.reuters.com/world/us/americans-can-sponsor-refugees-directly-under-program-launching-this-week-2023-01-18/?utm\\_source=Sailthru&utm\\_medium=Newsletter&utm\\_campaign=Daily-Briefing&utm\\_term=011923](https://www.reuters.com/world/us/americans-can-sponsor-refugees-directly-under-program-launching-this-week-2023-01-18/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=Newsletter&utm_campaign=Daily-Briefing&utm_term=011923)

**(Report) Root causes of migration: From Northern Central America -**

<https://www.bushcenter.org/publications/policy-recommendation-central-america-migration>

**An immigrant's journey from deportation to citizenship -**

<https://www.deseret.com/utah/2023/1/17/23537784/immigrant-journey-deportation-citizenship-mexico>

### **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 [kdonayre@icdichicago.org](mailto:kdonayre@icdichicago.org) 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/join/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwinisiJ>

**Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep)** Immigrants arriving in the US must navigate a complex system and struggle to access essential services. These experiences only add to the mental toll of migration. A more humane immigration system will allow people to build a better future. Try harder to work on a solution. **Thank you for your efforts!**