



October 22 - 28, 2018 Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

245 kids from separated families are still in US custody - CNN Politics

San Diego judge orders Trump admin to move forward with asylum process for migrants in family separation cases – San Diego Union Tribune

A new surge at the border is forcing migrant families into motel rooms - NY Times

Trump team uses new rationale to terminate TPS pgms for thousands of legal immigrants - USA Today

New deal keeps open facility that detains immigrant families - Wash Post

Record number of families crossing US border as Trump threatens new crackdown - Wash Post

Trump threatens military action of Mexico doesn't stop immigration onslaught – The Hill

ICE subpoenas immigrant lawyer in leak hunt - San Francisco Chronicle

US and Mexican officials join forces to stop asylum seekers, attorneys allege-Texas Observer

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 - NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress – no wall and no new family prisons. Block Republicans' latest border bill.

https://act.credoaction.com/sign/block_mccarthy_borderbill?t=2&akid=30435%2E2678758%2EVKc7le

NATIONAL LEVEL – Demand Congress to repeal the Muslim Ban. SIGN THE PETITION:

<HTTPS://ACTIONNETWORK.ORG/PETITIONS/SIGN-THIS-PETITION-DEMAND-CONGRESS-ACT-TO-REPEAL-THE-MUSLIM-BAN?SOURCE=AUG2018NOMUSLIMBANFAN&REFERRER=GROUP-FRANCISCAN-ACTION-NETWORK&ETYPE=EMAILBLASTCONTENT&EID=064CF7B2-A1A1-4268-B966-06F8F00AEBF2>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Call on Congress to stop funding immigrant detention today.

<https://www.afsc.org/action/call-congress-to-stop-funding-immigrant-detention-today?emci=58b80b1d-1bb5-e811-bce7-000d3a12b7e6&emdi=c7865cc9-c6b5-e811-bce7-000d3a12b7e6&ceid=712858&ms=2018AA0911>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Families are the bedrock of immigrant communities but the Trump Admin's public charge rule will hurt our families and keep them separated. Take action today: file a public comment opposing these rules at <https://protectingimmigrantfamilies.org/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - No new money for family detention. Email your MOC that families deserve to be treated humanely. Urge them to choose humane alternatives for immigrant families. https://act.fcni.org/letter/tell-congress-no-new-money-family-detention/?_ga=2.29625660.22092512.1538066350-547404248.1533746949

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

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition telling Wells Fargo and JP Morgan Chase to stop profiting from immigration prisons - <https://act.seiu.org/onlineactions/WaPd2nIH5Eu40OGHiF1XFA2?emci=3b0e8b4f-7a9a-e811-bce7-000d3a12b800&emdi=9298baa9-3ba2-e811-bce7-000d3a12b800&ceid=146008&smartlinkdata=JmZuPUxvdWlzZSZsbj1Ob2x0YSZlbt1qcGljc3NwcyU0MHlhaG9vLmNvbSZjaT1XaW5uZXRrYSZzdD1JTCZwYz02MDA5Mw%3d%3d>

Action Three: Education

To free detained children, immigrant families are forced to risk everything - <https://www.newyorker.com/news/dispatch/to-free-detained-children-immigrant-families-are-forced-to-risk-everything>

3,121 desperate journeys: exposing a week of chaos under Trump's zero tolerance - <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/ng-interactive/2018/oct/14/donald-trump-zero-tolerance-policy-special-investigation-immigrant-journeys>

Baltimore archdiocese, Catholic Charities help launch parish ID - <https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2018/10/17/baltimore-archdiocese-catholic-charities-help-launch-parish-id>

New report details how Lutherans and Catholics reunited immigrant families - <https://www.americamagazine.org/politics-society/2018/10/17/new-report-details-how-lutherans-and-catholics-reunited-immigrant>

Jeff Sessions is transforming immigration courts - <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2018/10/jeff-sessions-carrying-out-trumps-immigration-agenda/573151/>

As Trump demonizes immigrants, these US farmers aren't having it - https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/wisconsin-dairy-workers-mexico-puentes-bridges_us_5bb3b9b9e4b028e1fe387c47?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=58b9d25bc8-CLINIC_Daily_10-18-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-58b9d25bc8-284015825

Five year old who was detained at the border and persuaded to sign away her rights - https://www.newyorker.com/news/news-desk/the-five-year-old-who-was-detained-at-the-border-and-convinced-to-sign-away-her-rights?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=58b9d25bc8-CLINIC_Daily_10-18-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-58b9d25bc8-284015825

What happens to immigrants who face addiction - <https://www.forbes.com/sites/samuelgarcia/2018/10/15/what-happens-to-immigrants-who-face-addiction/#34ad09974745>

Action Four: Action

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

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 - Our lives should be defined by how we contribute to our communities—not by how much money we have. But a new Trump regulation would ensure only wealthy immigrants could build a future in the U.S. We need to fight back to **#ProtectFamilies!**

Thank you for all you do!