



January 9 - 15, 2023

What's Happening

- DHS extended and redesignated Yemen for TPS for 18 months - DHS**
- CO will stop busing migrants to Chicago and NY city, says Governor - NBC5**
- Biden makes tightly controlled visit to southern border - CNN**
- Deportation cases in US balloon as border numbers rise - Wash Post**
- Biden's new immigration strategy expands on Trump policy - LA Times**
- Facing pressure over border crossings, Biden steps up migrant expulsions - Reuters**
- Biden announces major crackdown on illegal border crossings - NY Times**
- Canada grants record permanent residency permits in 2022 - Reuters**
- US would accept up to 30,000 migrants a month in expanded program - Reuters**
- DHS proposed higher fees on immigrants applying for work based visas - The Hill**
- US reopened visa services in Cuba - AP**

Action One: Prayer

O God, open our eyes that we may see the needs of others; open our ears that we may hear their cries; open our hearts that we may feel their anguish and their joy. Let us not be afraid to defend the oppressed, the poor, the powerless, because of the anger and might of the powerful. Show us where love and hope and faith are needed, and use us to bring them to those places. Open our ears and eyes, our hearts and lives, that we may in the coming days be able to do some work of justice and peace for you. Amen. (Sabeel Center, Jerusalem)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to reject anti-asylum policies that perpetuate violence and racism - <https://cwsqglobal.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=

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 - Email SF ICE Field Office Dir Becerra. He has the power to release two individuals in danger of being transferred. Urge him to safely and immediately release Julio and Ankush. <https://takeaction.ccijustice.org/campaigns/22>

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

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition to US Senate - pass the Puerto Rico status act -

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/forms/sign-the-petition-to-the-us-senate-pass-the-puerto-rico-status-act?detail=emailaction&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-the-petition-to-the-us-senate-pass-the-puerto-rico-status-act-2&email_referrer=email_1769786&email_subject=sign-the-petition-to-the-us-senate-pass-the-puerto-rico-status-act

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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&

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&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_1765882

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Action Three: Education

This land becomes their land. New US citizens hit a 15 year high.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/01/02/us/immigrants-naturalization-citizenship.html>

Prospect dim for immigration reform in 2023 - <https://www.forbes.com/sites/stuartanderson/2023/01/03/the-outlook-on-h-1b-visas-and-immigration-in-2023/?sh=15bce9f6980>

Child of pregnant woman who crossed the Rio Grande set to become member of Congress

<https://www.cnn.com/2023/01/01/politics/delia-ramirez-latina-congress-cec/index.html>

Migrant shelters try to help traumatized assault survivors -

<https://apnews.com/article/health-crime-el-paso-violence-emergency-care-2a13027c2112c4a9a67c28bdd5d470fc>

In the immigration conversation, language matters - <https://denvercatholic.org/in-the-immigration-conversation-language-matters/>

The facts about legal battle over Title 42, and what its end could mean for US border policy -

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/title-42-what-its-end-could-mean-us-immigration-border-policy/>

The family separation files - <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2022/12/the-secret-history-of-family-separation-document-collection/672146/>

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 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/zoom/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwinisjJ>

Action Five: Social Media: (@POTUS) You committed to ending Trump's detrimental policies & protecting people fleeing persecution. But the new policies you announced recently stop people from even exercising their legal right to seek asylum at the border. We urge you to reverse course.

Thank you for your efforts!