



February 20 - 26, 2023

What's Happening

FL legislators expand Gov DeSantis' pgm to fly migrants to blue states - NBC News

FL Gov signs bill to relocate migrants from anywhere in the US - AP

Afghan evacuees face risk of deportation unless Congress acts - CBS News

ICE unable to stamp out abuse allegations at detention centers - The Hill

Green card seekers kids get protections in new Biden policy - Bloomberg Law

Chemical agents used at immigrant detention center in Tacoma - The News Tribune

Hundreds of families separated under Trump remain separated - Wash Post

Biden tells Supreme Court that Title 42 is unnecessary - NY Times

Immigration groups ask feds to redesignate TPS status for Nicaragua - Miami Herald

Fed'l court agrees to revisit case on pgm shielding over 300,000 immigrants from deportation - CBS News

Action One: Prayer

God, in this season of Lent, we ask you to accept our repentance for our complicity in allowing neglect of civil and human rights. We pray that the minds and hearts of our elected leaders may turn from hostility toward immigrants, refugees, and Muslims, and toward compassion and justice. May we resist messages of fear and proclaim the reign of love. May our Lenten fasting and prayer strengthen our resolve to continue to work for justice and human rights despite the obstacles we encounter. AMEN. (Devotion by Sister Marie Lucey, Franciscan Action Network)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to pass the Dream Act of 2023 and provide permanent legal protections for Dreamers. <https://p2a.co/69W1yUH>

NATIONAL LEVEL - For IL residents: Ask your IL Reps and Senators to fight for everybody in 2023. <https://p2a.co/Vav4HOJ>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition to Biden - no transit asylum ban. https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-to-president-biden-no-transit-asylum-ban-2/?source=2023TransitBan_CHN&referrer=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/no-transit-ban&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_1821285&email_subject=take-action-the-biden-administration-must-work-with-members-of-congress-to-adequately-address-migration-to-our-southern-border-without-violating-international-and-domestic-asylum-law&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_1821285

NATIONAL LEVEL - Say NO to the asylum ban. Remind Congress and the White House we are a country that welcomes asylum seekers. <https://quixote.org/action#/6>

NATIONAL LEVEL – Urge Biden and Mayorkas not to move forward with restrictive asylum

bans - https://act.hias.org/page/48917/action/1?ac=MR-EM-FY23-02-asylum_ban_2023-advo-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=asylum_ban_2023&utm_content=230219+AsylumTransitBan&ea.url.id=1626332&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress 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 - Call on POTUS to address the ongoing harms of Muslim and African

bans. <https://act.nilc.org/page/48850/petition/1>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Biden and Congress to make immigration reforms a top priority.

<https://p2a.co/YtXyQRd>

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&emai

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 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 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/>

Action Three: Education

Busing migrants from southern border cities has evolved - <https://www.npr.org/2023/02/06/1154412106/busing-migrants-asylum-border-republicans-democrats>

Green card applicants are likely to face fee hikes under proposed increase -

<https://www.npr.org/2023/02/07/1151702222/immigration-fees-uscis-green-card-applicants-hard-hit>

US business owners pay premium to mire migrant workers in extremely tight labor market -

https://www.wsi.com/articles/migrants-are-doing-better-than-ever-thanks-to-tight-labor-market-11675784935?st=9qph13464yrasdn&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink

US Facial recognition bias frustrates Black asylum applicants to US - <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2023/feb/08/us-immigration-cbp-one-app-facial-recognition-bias>

‘Reconnect’ pivots to teach English and job skills to asylum seekers - <https://thetablet.org/reconnect-pivots-to-teach-english-and-jobs-skills-to-asylum-seekers/>

Green card seekers’ kids get protections in new Biden policy - <https://news.bloomberglaw.com/daily-labor-report/documented-dreamers-to-get-relief-from-green-card-age-out-rule>

How the Biden admin is helping protect exploited and vulnerable workers -

<https://www.fastcompany.com/90851713/how-the-biden-administration-is-helping-protect-the-most-vulnerable-and-exploited-workers>

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-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. Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisjJ>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) Dreamers make our economy, communities and nation stronger. Ten years since the inception of DACA, we call upon Congress to enact a permanent solution for Dreamers. **Thank you for your efforts!**