



Week of November 28, 2016 ... Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

Some immigrants in the country illegally do have serious criminal histories. But others have committed low-level crimes that are considered deportable offenses but are relatively minor, such as immigration or traffic violations. In some states, like Georgia, driving without a license is a misdemeanor and a priority deportable offense. Entering the country illegally in itself is a misdemeanor.

After his victory, Trump told CBS' "60 Minutes" that his administration would deport between 2 million and 3 million criminal aliens. To reach that number, Trump would likely have to go beyond violent criminals. Immigrants fear that definition of 'criminal' will be stretched under Trump. From Los Angeles Times

Immigrants are fearful all over the country.

Action One: Prayer

Grant, gentle God, that your Spirit may give us the will and the courage to act to make a difference, in order to make real your kingdom among us, so that we may we all live together in peace, truth, justice and love, sharing the resources of the earth. Amen. Adapted from the Jesuit Institute

Action Two: Calls/Letters

Speak out against the anti-Muslim bigotry and racism

https://docs.google.com/a/s2scampaign.org/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfJvsgZ7LWww8n5LXssbS9h1kERg0A6XSrUoJccoc_BThdzVw/viewform?c=0&w=1

Nov. 30: Call Gov. Rauner **ICIRR Springfield Advocacy day** to fight for the Student Access Bill, Automatic Voter Registration and the Immigrant Service Line Item! **Call Gov. Rauner to stand with the IL is Safe Platform!** 217-782-0244 312-813-2121 "I am an Illinois resident calling to ask the Governor to support the Illinois Safe Platform"

Work for the passage of a resolution by the Chicago Aldermen similar to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors recently passed a resolution, introduced by Board President London Breed, in response to the election of Donald Trump. *The resolution is also in a file attached.*

We Pledge To Resist Deportation And Discrimination Through Sanctuary

<https://action.groundswell-mvmt.org/petitions/we-pledge-to-resist-deportation-and-discrimination-through-sanctuary?source=facebook-share-button&time=1479250776>

Sign Faith Leaders Call on Republican officials to reject Mr. Trump's Cabinet of Bigotry

On

behalf of Faith in Public Life, <https://goo.gl/forms/dNAiXM79bIHReYiB2>

Look Out for a bill by Washington state Rep. Suzan DelBene has introduced an act that would prohibit the implementation of a religious registry. The "No Religious Registry Act" would "ensure individuals of all faiths are protected" from the establishment of such a registry. See <http://www.kiro7.com/news/local/washington-state-congresswoman-introduces-bill-to-prohibit-religious-registry/469271764>

Action Three: Education

Ongoing community resource created by many advocates at many organizations:

www.InformedImmigrant.com

ABC 7: Fraud alert issued for immigration scams <http://abc7ny.com/news/fraud-alert-issued-for-immigration-scams-after-spike-in-calls/1620766/>

The Washington Post: President Obama should delete DACA before he leaves office

https://www.washingtonpost.com/posteverything/wp/2016/11/22/theres-a-federal-database-of-undocumented-immigrants-like-me-erase-it-while-theres-still-time/?utm_term=.0deea112ab18

Action Five: Actions

Give Housing to Mother and children from the border.... This is an urgent need today. See the letter from Sr. JoAnn and Sr. Pat and see if your community can help.

Dec. 1 A number of immigrant rights groups are having a prayer vigil to be held Thursday, December 1, at 5:00 pm at the Chicago Temple. 77 West Washington Street, Chicago. The vigil will focus on protecting the human rights of immigrants.

DEC. 2: BROADVIEW DETENTION CENTER VIGIL: Join the 10th anniversary of the Friday morning prayer vigils at the ICE Detention and Staging Center in Broadview, 7:15 a.m., 1930 Beach Street, Broadview, IL to pray for those being deported, those still detained, and their families, and as we recommit ourselves to pray, hope and work for compassionate immigration reform, and an end to the horror of families being torn apart.

DEC. 16: ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO, IMMIGRATION MINISTRY: 11th Annual Posada Seeking immigration Reform: 7 AM-9 AM, **Route begins at: 101 W. Congress**, Chicago and continues to the Correctional Center, **71 W. VanBuren St**; to DePaul University, **1 E. Jackson Blvd**; to **Federal Plaza** and St. Peter's, **110 W Madison**; (Arturo Gonzalez, 312-534-8103 arturogonzalez3386@gmail.com or www.catholicsandimmigrants.org)

All times and places: Listen, respect and speak positively during this time <http://tinyurl.com/faithfulsolidarity>

Action Five: Social Media

November 18-December 18 -- International Migrants Day on Migrants Rights. See

www.talkmigrants.org

Facebook: End Immigration Detention of Children **Twitter:** @childdetention #Migrant Rights Campaign

Thank you for your efforts!