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What's Happening

Biden extends stay for thousands of Ukrainians - NY Times

Record number of migrants dying at US Mexico border - WSJ

House GOP quietly preps take two of its border push - Politico

Trudeau to press Biden on NY-Quebec border crossing as migrants flow in - Bloomberg

TX Republicans unveil sweeping border proposals to raise state based enforcement - kera news.org

Maine bill would remove immigration status to state's health ins pgm -Maine Public Radio

Few Guatemalan children are reunited with parents through US pgm - NBC News

Politically motivated border policies do little to stem immigration - Houston Public Media

Desperate migrant seeking asylum face a new hurdle: technology - Wash Post

Action One: Prayer

Merciful God and Father of all, wake us from the slumber of indifference, open our eyes to their suffering, and free us from the insensitivity born of worldly comfort and self-centeredness. Inspire us, as nations, communities and individuals, to see that those who come to our shores are our brothers and sisters. May we share with them the blessings we have received from your hand, and recognize that together, as one human family, we are all migrants, journeying in hope to you, our true home, where every tear will be wiped away, where we will be at peace and safe in your embrace. Amen. (Author unknown)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Roll back the asylum ban - protect the right to asylum.

<https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/roll-back-the-asylum-ban-protect-the-right-to-asylum/?emci=3cd69ded-32bc-ed11-a8e0-00224832e811&emdi=9546c253-d0c4-ed11-a8e0-00224832e811&ceid=6321161>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Oppose the expansion of asylum restriction.

https://ignatiansolidarity.net/blog/2023/03/10/action-alert-oppose-the-expansion-of-asylum-restrictions/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=5d06d386c2-05.01.20_immigration_update_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-5d06d386c2-256933231&mc_cid=5d06d386c2&mc_eid=4a4f05da92

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

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell President Biden: No family detention. <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-president-biden-no-family-detention>

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 - 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 - 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 - Tell the Biden admin: family detention is immoral
<https://act.sojo.net/page/49892/action/1?ea.url.id=1666355&forwarded=true&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=e29bb0e7-16f7-46e9-9b6c-a963a8be7bf6>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Biden admin not to bring back Trump's asylum ban.
<https://immigrationjustice.quorum.us/campaign/44910/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Biden admin to put the safety of migrant children at the forefront.
<https://p2a.co/d0HUxXB>

NATIONAL LEVEL- Tell the Biden admin to withdraw the inhumane asylum ban.
https://act.hias.org/page/49543/survey/1?en_txn6=MR-EM-FY23-03-asylum_ban_2023-advoc-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=asylum_ban_2023&utm_content=230303+AsylumTransitBan+Comment+e1&ea.url.id=1656949&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition to President Biden - No transit asylum ban.
https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/forms/sign-the-petition-to-president-biden-no-transit-asylum-ban?detail=emailaction%22&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-take-action-the-biden-admin-will-rush-through-the-comment-period-for-this-asylum-policy-7&email_referrer=email_1826270&email_subject=take-action-the-biden-admin-will-rush-through-the-comment-period-for-this-asylum-policy

Action Three: Education

Biden extends stay for thousands of Ukrainians - https://www.nytimes.com/2023/03/13/us/politics/ukraine-war-refugees.html?campaign_id=9&emc=edit_nn_20230314&instance_id=87661&nl=the-morning®i_id=81386446&segment_id=127725&te=1&user_id=b1ed32db9aa5ec222c34c6225116f467

Colorado immigrant father wins 16 yr battle for legal residency - <https://www.denverpost.com/2023/03/10/colorado-immigrant-father-legal-status/>

Politically motivated border policies do little to stem immigration, per study - <https://www.houstonpublicmedia.org/articles/news/border/2023/03/13/445991/politically-motivated-border-policies-coverage-of-migrant-caravans-have-done-little-to-curb-illegal-immigration-rice-university-study-finds/>

(Report) Migrant Caravans: A deep dive into mass migration through Mexico and the effects of immigration policy - https://www.bakerinstitute.org/research/migrant-caravans-deep-dive-mass-migration-through-mexico-and-effects-immigration-policy#_edn1

Irregular border crossings to be addressed by Biden, Trudeau - <https://www.forbes.com/sites/andysemotiuk/2023/03/16/irregular-border-crossings-to-be-addressed-by-biden-trudeau/?sh=81e58c85c937>

Record number of migrants dying at US Mexico border - https://www.wsj.com/articles/illegal-immigration-mexico-us-border-deaths-c35cf892?st=lx1meqxin6xiz5c&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink

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: (@POTUS) The promises you made on the campaign trail don't match your actions in office. You are on a backwards path of embracing failed Trump-era policies at the border & it's putting people in danger. The time to course correct is now.

Thank you for your efforts!