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What's Happening?

Trump admin bars intl college students if their school's classes are all online - Politico

Biz leaders urge Trump to leave DACA alone after court ruling - NY Times

ICE citizen trainings may be a "Vigilante Academy, Chgo alderman warns - NPR

ICE Citizen Academy causing uproar in Chgo, has been going on in LA for years - Fox LA.com

Harvard, MIT sue Trump admin over rule that strips visas from intl students - NBC News

Trump admin signals formal withdrawal from WHO - NY Times

New rules: foreign students must leave US if classes go online - AP

Ninth Circuit Court nixes Trump rule on asylum - Courthouse News Service

Outgoing immigration judge stresses need for impartiality - BuzzFeed

Judge rules ICE unlawfully jailed unaccompanied minors who turn 18 - Wash Post

Trump admin gives formal notice of withdrawal from WHO - NBC News

Undocumented immigrants vulnerable to eviction - NY Times

Immigration judges' union worried about reopening courts - El Paso Times

Action One: Prayer

God of new life, as your people seek refuge in a time of uncertainty, when borders are closed, resettlement halted, and services limited, may your presence be known: You have not abandoned them, the refugees. When Mary wept at your tomb, you came to her. Unrecognized at first, but you were there with arms open to receive. May we, the global community, imitate you, bringing comfort to the brokenhearted here on earth. When all seems lost along the journey, with the world sealed off, may we be there, despite the distance, with arms open to receive. Amen. (Jesuit Refugee Services)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your Senators to prioritize the poor and vulnerable in the next Covid19 relief package. <https://www.voterve.net/USCCB/campaigns/75712/respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Keep borders and pathways to asylum open. Refugees still need our support and help now more than ever. Sign the petition: https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/forms/keep-borders-and-pathways-to-asylum-open?detail=emailaction&link_id=4&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-re-borders-must-stay-open-for-refugees&email_referrer=email_853723&email_subject=re-borders-must-stay-open-for-refugees

NATIONAL LEVEL - Calling interfaith voices to take action against the immigration ban. Tell the president you stand with immigrants. <https://p2a.co/WEt1Y7m>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand Your Members of Congress Pass H.R. 51 and Support D.C. Statehood. https://indivisible.org/demand-your-senators-cosponsor-dc-statehood-bill?akid=62093.367900.i4nN6-&rd=1&t=7&utm_medium=link2_20200629&utm_source=email

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign petition to USCIS: DACA is here to stay. Allow eligible youth to apply.

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/petitions/sign-the-petition-daca-is-here-to-stay-take-new-applications-from-eligible-youth?detail=emailaction&link_id=6&can_id=9c91c4ee3a39a576c5260775feb6a9bc&source=email-sign-the-petition-to-uscis-daca-is-here-to-stay-take-new-applications-from-eligible-youth&email_referrer=email_842360&email_subject=outrage-highest-court-in-the-land-protects-migrant-youth-trump-administration-defies-court

NATIONAL LEVEL - Let America Vote! Help to pass a universal vote-by-mail option and ensure that voting is safe, sanitary and secure. https://sign.actiontaker.org/page/s/LAV-JA-Vote-by-Mail-q22020?source=NDRC-PAC&redirect_url=https://sign.actiontaker.org/VBM-Option-NDRC-PAC-AB

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition to the US Senate: We must have funding for Vote by Mail.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/sign-and-send-the-petition-to-the-us-senate-we-must-have-funding-for-vote-by-mail?source=2020SenateFundVBMc3s_CHN&referrer=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/senatemustactvoteybmail&link_id=1&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_835249&can_id=03b6cc570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_835249&email_subject=re-add-your-name-demand-the-senate-fund-voting-by-mail

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to stop Trump's new immigration and family ban.

<https://greateras1.org/take-action-urge-congress-to-stop-trumps-new-immigration-family-ban/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your Senators requesting that they support the bipartisan DREAM Act of 2019 and encourage the Senate to introduce a companion bill to H.R.6, the American Dream and Promise Act.

<https://franciscanactionnetwork.salsalabs.org/ProtectDreamers/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=27779837-39dc-41cb-b745-e96b9c9a96fb>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Franciscans call for "Civilian-izing" American police forces. Urge your MOC to work to return police depts to civilian modes.

<https://franciscanactionnetwork.salsalabs.org/Demilitarizethepolice/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=5161274e-4b22-4133-bbbc-83e559e45c67>

Action Three: Education

Ninth Circuit Court nixes Trump rule on asylum - <https://www.courthousenews.com/ninth-circuit-nixes-trump-rule-on-asylum/>

Visa lottery winners feel cheated by Trump's visa ban - <https://apnews.com/7e8695b65d41646264b7e72e39df78bb>

"USA vs. Scott" and the fight to prove that humanitarian aid is not a crime -

<https://www.newyorker.com/culture/the-new-yorker-documentary/usa-v-scott-and-the-fight-to-prove-that-humanitarian-aid-is-not-a-crime>

How ICE helped spread the coronavirus - https://www.nytimes.com/video/us/10000007122997/ice-deportations-coronavirus-video.html?campaign_id=49&emc=edit_ca_20200713&instance_id=20265&nl=california-today®i_id=81386446&segment_id=33271&te=1&user_id=b1ed32db9aa5ec222c34c6225116f467

ICE offering "Citizens Academy" course, with training on how to arrest immigrants -

<https://www.newsweek.com/ice-launching-citizens-academy-course-how-agency-arrests-immigrants-1516656?fbclid=IwAR0H-6NYMJU-JteqNsueo9kilRsqEOw2UI5NaheyFmcbiZJ72EtcfmQFnr0>

New International students to US may hit post WW2 low -

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/stuartanderson/2020/07/13/new-international-students-to-us-may-hit-post-ww2-low/#7f1476a0267f>

Action Four: Action

ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS: The ICDI Broadview Prayer Vigil is still happening but we are doing it weekly online. As is customary, First Fridays are interfaith and other weeks we pray the rosary. Anyone who wants to get the meeting access information can email hello@icdichicago.org with a request.

Action Five: Social Media – (@ Sen/Rep) Over 200,000 DACA recipients and 130,000 TPS holders work essential jobs on the frontlines of the Covid19 pandemic, but are being left out of the Covid19 relief legislation. All essential workers should be included!

Thank you for all your efforts!