



**June 8 - 14, 2020**

### **What's Happening?**

**SC rules immigrants who fear torture can appeal deportations in court - The Hill**

**ICE proposed new immigrant prison in Ionia, Michigan - Detroit Free Press**

**Citizenship concerns remain as immigration agency reopens - AP**

**Tacoma, WA immigration facility to test ALL detainees for Covid19 - AP**

**Dreamers grapple with immigration risks in joining Floyd protests - The Hill**

**Some immigrants get out of ICE centers, depending on the judge - LA Times**

**NYC council votes to ban the terms 'alien' and 'illegal immigrant' on official docs - NBC NY**

**Undocumented immigrants face hardships in accessing funeral srvs during Covid19 - AM NY**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**For all those who have fallen victim to hatred and inhumanity, for those loved ones who are left behind to mourn, for the souls of those whose hearts are cold, Lord, hear our prayer. For the children who are being born into this world of conflict and violence, for women and mothers who suffer needlessly, Lord, hear our prayer. For all those who have been forced into unemployment, who long to return to work, for all those who struggle to support their families, Lord, hear our prayer. For the soldiers who are misguided in thinking that their bullets will bring about peace, for those who feel called to conscientiously object to military orders, Lord, hear our prayer. For the children who cry in their beds at night and wonder "what have I done?" For the mothers and fathers who must try to explain the unexplainable, Lord, hear our prayer. For all the children who have died before their time, for the soldiers who allow their uniform to strip them of their humanity, for the healers who are denied the opportunity to use their gifts, Lord, hear our prayer. For the redemption of souls of both victim and perpetrator, for those who commit themselves to the forgiveness of sins, Lord, hear our prayer. - *Author Unknown***

### **Action Two: Calls/Letters**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to fund the US Post Office System as the November election nears.**

**[https://action.redistrictingaction.org/page/s/save-usps?%0A&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=ndrc&utm\\_content=4+-+Tell+Congress+to+fund+the+USPS+as+Novemb&utm\\_campaign=20200605\\_AOTL\\_USPS2\\_Actives&source=20200605\\_AOTL\\_USPS2\\_Actives](https://action.redistrictingaction.org/page/s/save-usps?%0A&utm_medium=email&utm_source=ndrc&utm_content=4+-+Tell+Congress+to+fund+the+USPS+as+Novemb&utm_campaign=20200605_AOTL_USPS2_Actives&source=20200605_AOTL_USPS2_Actives)**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to include immigrants in Covid19 relief -**

**<https://www.nilc.org/action/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=6022f642-f1f9-41e4-b4be-e737f9fd6f8f>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Reach out to your Senators and tell them to support S.3599 (Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act) which would expedite visa processing for immigrant doctors and nurses as the country faces a severe shortage of medical personnel. Click here for bill**

**analysis: <https://immigrationforum.org/article/bill-analysis-the-healthcare-workforce-resilience-act/>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to prioritize tribal victim services in the next bill for Covid19 relief.** <https://fcn1.quorum.us/campaign/25737/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand online voter registration nationwide. With the pandemic and other crisis, potential new voters are having trouble adding their name to the voter rolls.**

[https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/demand-online-voter-registration-nationwide?source=05272020swap-chn&referrer=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/onlinevoterregistration&link\\_id=2&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\\_816425&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_816425&email\\_subject=lets-make-online-voter-registration-available-to-every-american](https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/demand-online-voter-registration-nationwide?source=05272020swap-chn&referrer=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/onlinevoterregistration&link_id=2&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_816425&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_816425&email_subject=lets-make-online-voter-registration-available-to-every-american)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action: Save the US Postal Service. Mail revenues are down due to Covid-19 and we need the USPS for the 2020 elections to support a robust mail in voting system. Please send a letter to Congress to support the USPS:**

[https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-demand-all-states-pass-no-excuse-absentee-voting-laws-ahead-of-the-2020-election?source=20200408\\_AbsenteeBallotsC3\\_FAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&redirect=http%3A%2F%2Ffranciscanaction.org%2Fdonate%2F&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=c0172a71-acb8-41ed-abe5-5f6c949dc7ef](https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-demand-all-states-pass-no-excuse-absentee-voting-laws-ahead-of-the-2020-election?source=20200408_AbsenteeBallotsC3_FAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&redirect=http%3A%2F%2Ffranciscanaction.org%2Fdonate%2F&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=c0172a71-acb8-41ed-abe5-5f6c949dc7ef)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - We need to make sure the Senate takes the House's lead and passes the Heroes Bill, giving election assistance funding. Click here to call your senators now:**

[https://www.standupamerica.com/demand-funding-vote-by-mail-email/?akid=941.790316.c87yqR&rd=1&t=5&utm\\_content=&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=actionkit](https://www.standupamerica.com/demand-funding-vote-by-mail-email/?akid=941.790316.c87yqR&rd=1&t=5&utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_source=actionkit)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your policymakers to protect asylum during this time and restore US leadership in protecting the most vulnerable among us.**

<https://www.jrsusa.org/take-action/jrs-advocates/protect-us-asylum/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=29dd683f-1219-4d03-ac62-608887666ec1>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Join us in calling on MOC to reduce the number of people who are incarcerated or detained and at risk of COVID-19. Please add your name to this letter.**

<https://networklobby.org/decarcerationpetition/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Call on Congress to save asylum. Legislators must stop Trump's**

**"Remain in Mexico" policy from returning people to danger.** <https://www.uusc.org/initiatives/call-on-congress-to-save-asylum/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=7b8df859-3b01-4db1-b71e-f39b36a6d4c3>

### **Action Three: Education**

**To stimulate the economy, help American Dreamers -** <https://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/politics/500529-to-stimulate-the-economy-help-americas-dreamers>

**Immigration changes necessary for pandemic -** <https://milawyersweekly.com/news/2020/06/02/immigration-changes-necessary-for-pandemic/>

**Could Covid19 mean the end of asylum law in the US? -**

<https://www.thenation.com/article/politics/coronavirus-refugee-asylum-law/>

**Migrants in Mexico united to practice their brand of democracy as they hope to move to the**

**US -** <https://www.chron.com/news/article/Migrants-in-Mexico-united-to-practice-their-brand-15314422.php>

**Action Four: Action - ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS: The ICDI**

**Broadview Prayer Vigil is still happening but 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](mailto:hello@icdichicago.org) with a request.**

**Action Five: Social Media – (@ Sen/Rep) We call on our leaders to commit our nation to a formal process of healing and reconciliation. Black lives matter.**

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS!**