



November 6 - 12, 2023

What's Happening

- Biden hosts leaders of S. American nations for an economic summit - NY Times**
- US offer economic benefits for countries hosting migrants, shore up supply chains - Reuters**
- Report says Latin Am. nations cracking down on US bound migrants - NBC6**
- Biden weighs border deal - altering asylum law for Ukraine aid - Politico**
- Mayors of five big cities seek a mtg with Biden on migrant arrivals - VOA**
- Cuban officials urge US to lift sanctions to stem migration - NBC News**
- Bi-partisan bill would provide kids-only immigration courts for migrant children - NBC**
- Record number of migrants from India entering US without authorization - Am. Bazaar**
- Haiti suspends all Nicaragua-bound flights - Miami Herald**
- CA joins multi-state coalition supporting health care for migrants - CBS News**
- More Chinese make perilous trip in search of asylum at US border - AP**
- From smugglers and TikTok, migrants get message: Go to New York - NY Times**

Action One: Prayer

Loving God, we turn our hearts to You during these challenging times when conflict is a daily reality for our innocent sisters and brothers in Israel and Palestine. There is so much pain and suffering. May Your Spirit of comfort be with all those feeling abandoned in fear and despair. We pray for healing and compassion in the hearts and minds of those engaged in war. May all eyes of faith turn towards Your divine love and strength, and may the seeds of peace and reconciliation be planted. Grant us a vision of unity. May we see the many in the one and the one in the many. Guide us gently and firmly towards each other, toward peace. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen. (from Fr. Menard Laz)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to fund refugee and newcomer inclusion -

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-congress-to-fund-refugee-newcomer-inclusion-and-restore-needed-services-for-ukrainian-and-afghan-neighbors/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=bf6255be-6ec9-4356-a9bd-241dfc6f3993>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your Senators to support meaningful, bipartisan immigration reform

<https://p2a.co/R7DD4en>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to pass the Afghan Adjustment Act to protect Afghans

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-congress-to-pass-the-afghan-adjustment-act-to-protect-afghans-at-risk/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to protect abused, abandoned immigrant children.

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-congress-to-protect-abused-abandoned-and-neglected-immigrant-children/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to support policies that welcome asylum seekers and reject further militarization of the border - <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-tell-congress-to-support-policies-that-welcome-asylum-seekers-and-reject-the-further-militarization-of-the-border/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to support asylum seeker work authorization act - https://act.hias.org/page/54296/action/1?en_txn6=MR-EM-FY23-07-asylum_ban_2023-advo-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=230707_Asylum-Seeker-Work-Authorization_Action_Remainder&utm_content=230707+Asylum-Seeker-Work-Authorization+Action+Remainder&ea.url.id=1865401&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress and ask them to pass meaningful and permanent border solutions - <https://p2a.co/yJDU7s5>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a letter. Demand Congress deliver a pathway to citizenship <https://unitedwedream.org/actions/send-a-letter-demand-congress-deliver-a-pathway-to-citizenship/?source=partner&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=f5aa4e6e-925e-4b84-b00a-e17dd1ffd05f>

NATIONAL LEVEL – Tell Congress to pass permanent protections for immigrant youth: <https://act.nilc.org/page/46080/action/1?ea.tracking.id=web>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Ask Biden/DHS Mayorkas to designate/ re-designate TPS for Ethiopia, Syria, Pakistan and Democratic Rep of the Congo. https://act.nilc.org/page/57272/petition/1?supporter.appealCode=20230925_EG_Migration_NILC&ea.url.id=2009673&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Biden admin and legislators to formally end family detention. <https://lutheranimmigrationrefugeeservice.quorum.us/campaign/46496/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell DHS Mayorkas to fast track work permits for noncitizens. https://secure.everyaction.com/iAPXBA-j_kGpcM1_fKLWZw2?emci=dc9b1342-ad51-ee11-9937-00224832e811&emdi=11684080-4052-ee11-9937-00224832e811&ceid=10679

Action Three: Education

Tensions rise between new and established migrants

<https://thehill.com/latino/4279680-tensions-new-established-migrants/>

CA joins multi-state coalition supporting health care for migrants -

<https://www.cbsnews.com/sanfrancisco/news/california-joins-multi-state-coalition-immigrant-family-health-care-nutrition/>

Record number of migrants from India entering US without authorization -

<https://www.americanbazaaronline.com/2023/10/30/indians-entering-us-illegally-in-record-numbers-455537/>

From smugglers and TikTok, migrants get message : Go to New York

https://www.nytimes.com/2023/10/29/nyregion/migrants-nyc-shelter-mauritania.html?unlocked_article_code=1.7Uw.-ooA.7hMhbOP3zwmH&smid=url-share

(Opinion) Civil and Human Rights disaster - TX bill would give federal immigration authority to local state. <https://www.texasobserver.org/immigration-local-police-border-hb-4/>

What happens to Guatemalan children deported from the US?

<https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/immigration/lirs-new-office-guatemala-help-deported-children-rcna45731>

Action Four: Action

ONGOING: BROADVIEW ONLINE FRIDAY ROSARY: The Rosary prayer is conducted every Friday at 715 am 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 anyone want to connect in Zoom or participate in person, they can contact Sr. JoAnn Persch at 773-597-5394 or jpmrsm2@gmail.com

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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisiJ>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Rep) The Biden admin is reportedly considering sweeping changes that would decimate critical asylum protections as it negotiates with Congress on aid to Israel & Ukraine. Tell your Rep to vote “No” to any new immigration policies or authorities.

Thank you for your efforts!