



April 7 – 13, 2025

What's Happening

Immigration crackdown disrupts caregivers - NBC News

Data released on people prevented from entering US at JFK Airport - Newsweek

Immigration officials want to expand social media data collection concerning immigrant advocates - AP

Immigration crackdown now includes college students and scholars - CNN

DOJ asks Supreme Ct to lift order to return wrongly deported man - Wash Post

Federal judge orders Trump admin to negotiate return of man mistakenly deported to El Salvador - Wash Post

DHS cuts funds for groups helping legal immigrants become US citizens - Wash Post

Judge restores funds for lawyers representing children in immigration court - LA Times

US looks for more countries to take immigrants - WSJ

Federal judge blocks termination of TPS for Venezuela - CLINIC

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 - Congress must hold the Executive branch accountable for systemic attacks on immigration courts - <https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your Representatives to support American businesses by protecting work authorization renewals - <https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Advocate for asylum seekers and families at the border - <https://worldrelief.org/advocate/asylum-seekers>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to protect the persecuted -

<https://www.voterve.net/JFI/Campaigns/121779/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to oppose mass raids -

<https://act.nilc.org/page/79035/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20250210 EG MassRaids NILC&ea.url.id=3312189&forwarded=true>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to vote NO on the NO Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act -

<https://act.nilc.org/page/79052/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20250206 EG NoBailout NILC&ea.url.id=3304632&forwarded=true>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell DHS - No forced registration for immigrants.

<https://act.nilc.org/page/81021/petition/1?ea.tracking.id=web>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stand with immigrant youth. Tell you MOC to pass a pathway to citizenship now.

<https://act.nilc.org/page/69029/action/1?ea.tracking.id=web>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC - pass the Lift the Bar Act today.

<https://act.nilc.org/page/69031/action/1>

NATIONAL LEVEL -Urge Congress to protect Dreamers and mixed status families.

<https://www.voterve.net/JFI/Campaigns/122719/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - DACA is in danger. Demand Congress deliver permanent protection now.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/daca-is-in-danger-demand-congress-deliver-permanent-protections-now/?source=email_01.24_1in180&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2592715&email_subject=congress-needs-to-hear-from-you-how-to-protect-immigrant-communities-today

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC. Oppose expansion of immigration detention -

<https://nrcat.salsalabs.org/immigration-detention-2025-1/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=5e4f9d1b-40ed-46b1-bf6a-2ae4bd83f159&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=52821cef-2ed3-4ab1-983a-bd39ff316d74>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the courts to stop Trump's admin racist actions against Venezuelans.

<https://wearecasa.org/updates/tell-courts-stop-trump-racist-attack-venezuelans-tps/?emci=254615d4-b1ef-ef11-90cb-0022482a94f4&emdi=7b27f3a0-bcef-ef11-90cb-0022482a94f4&ceid=12012340>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to you MOC to stop Trump's mass deportations -

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/stop-trumps-racist-mass-deportations-2/?source=group-takeitbackorg&referrer=group-takeitbackorg&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/tib_stop_trumps_racist_mass_deportations&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2625739&email_subject=tell-congress-no-more-racist-mass-deportations&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2625739

Action Three: Education

The problem with the Catholic immigration debate - <https://angelusnews.com/voices/antall-immigration-catholic/>

Trump's mass deportation plans could impact one in 12 Christians, a report finds -

<https://religionnews.com/2025/03/31/evangelical-catholic-groups-one-on-12-christians-could-be-deported-by-trump/>

Smashing the student visa system - <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/global/international-students-us/2025/04/03/how-trump-wreaking-havoc-student-visa-system>

(Opinion) Why Catholic Bishops are ending its refugee resettlement pgm with the government

<https://wapo.st/3EmGTqJ>

Trump is targeting intl students over pro-Palestinian protests. But is it legal?

<https://www.themarshallproject.org/2025/04/05/visa-immigration-first-amendment-protest-speech>

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/tZwsde2spjotHtjBQ97m09XQRns5Bwinisil>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) No one should be detained for seeking safety.

Reviving family detention is unconscionable.

Thank you for your efforts!