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What's Happening

Mexico opposes restart of US 'Remain in Mexico' immigration policy - Reuters

US officials prepping legislation to revamp asylum system - Reuters

States urge Supreme Court to revive ban on encouraging illegal immigration - Reuters

Biden weighs border deal that would deport non-Mexicans to Mexico - Wash Post

Mexicans flying into Canada, then entering the US - NBC News

NYC is buying bus tickets for migrants headed to Canada - NY Times

DOJ says end of health emergency will end Title 42 policy and moot Supreme Court cast - Politico

Chicago family files federal lawsuit following separation at border - Chicago Sun Times

USCIS changes could significantly reduce immigration wait times - NBC News/Telemundo

Migrant child shelter in Florida fighting to get relicensed - WFTS Tampa Bay

Scammers target hopeful applicants to Biden's humanitarian parole - NBC News

Action One: Prayer

God, you have given all peoples a common origin. It is your will that they be gathered together as one family in yourself. Fill the hearts of humankind with the fire of your love and with the desire to ensure justice for all. By sharing the good things, you give us, may we secure an equality for all our brothers and sisters throughout the world. May there be an end to division, strife, and war. May there be a dawning of a truly human society built on love and peace. We ask this in your name. (*Author Unknown*)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Pres Biden and DHS Mayorkas not to move forward with dangerous and restrictive asylum bans - <a href="https://act.hias.org/page/48917/action/1?ac=MR-EM-FY23-02-asylum ban 2023-advo-full file-18utm medium=email&utm source=EngagingNetworks&utm campaign=asylum ban 2023&utm content=230219+AsylumTransitBan&ea.url.id=1626332&forwarded=true

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 - Call on POTUS to address the ongoing harms of Muslim and African bans. https://act.nilc.org/page/48850/petition/1

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Biden and Congress to make immigration reforms a top priority. https://p2a.co/YtXyQRd

NATIONAL LEVEL - Ask Philadelphia DA Krasner to Support Justice for Denis Calderon.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/ask-philadelphia-district-attorney-larry-krasner-to-support-justice-for-denis-calderon?clear id=true&source=email-rapid-action-call-on-da-krasner-to-support-justice-for-denis

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 - Urge Congress to reject anti-asylum policies that perpetuate violence and racism. https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-congress-to-reject-anti-asylum-policies-that-perpetuate-violence-and-racism/

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell our natl leaders 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 President Biden to end, not expand Title 42. https://secure.phr.org/secure/biden-end-

42?af=f9VKf8Tz7KW5P%2BGllcNAE51ullLdJg2YrDjS0Ha09GmPpLJMcybljD8vIAPmql66dzmynhO8STeDfXiNkARLmIAsMDfHVGd4FK2fFZh66eNBOQcEuQOHiCw GQP5YVGOZjl4qc9JFStwUA%2F9VvqWF74LOMZ%2FvjPIXQFtt4%2BzNQPo%3D&CID=7015G0000000754QAC&ms=FY23 Asylum Email4 FullFile Advoca&utm medium=Email&utm source=FullFile&utm content=Email4&utm term=Advocacy&utm campaign=FY23 Asylum&dm i=4GV7,J4TU,1IFFC0,2436B,1

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 Congress that undocumented immigrant youth need protection.

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&email referrer=email 1765882&email subject=immigrant-rights-are-human-rights&refcodeEmailReferrer=email 1765882

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Sign onto the AOC-Menendez letter against the expansion of Title 42 and the Trump era asylum ban. <a href="https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-sign-on-to-the-aoc-menendez-letter-against-the-expansion-of-title-42-and-the-trump-era-asylum-ban/?link id=1&can id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-tell-congress-support-immigrants-rights-cancel-asylum-bans-now&email referrer=email 1793363&email subject=tell-congress-support-immigrants-rights-cancel-asylum-bans-now

Action Three: Education

Busing migrants from southern border cities has evolved - https://www.npr.org/2023/02/06/1154412106/busing-migrants-asylum-border-republicans-democrats

Green card applicants are likely to face fee hikes under proposed increase -

https://www.npr.org/2023/02/07/1151702222/immigration-fees-uscis-green-card-applicants-hard-hit

US business owners pay premium to mire migrant workers in extremely tight labor market - https://www.wsj.com/articles/migrants-are-doing-better-than-ever-thanks-to-tight-labor-market-11675784935?st=9qph13464yrasdn&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink

US Facial recognition bias frustrates Black asylum applicants to US - https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2023/feb/08/us-immigration-cbp-one-app-facial-recognition-bias

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.

<u>ICDI Monthly meetings:</u> Monthly meetings on the 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. Everyone is welcome. Register here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisjJ

<u>Action Five: Social Media</u>: (@Sen/Rep) We are failing as a country to welcome others. We must give people the chance to seek asylum and pursue a better life – not slam the door or throw them on a bus somewhere thousands of miles away. Thank you for your efforts