



**April 10 - 16, 2023**

### **What's Happening**

**Many migrants from non-traditional countries - Border Report**

**US to test expedited asylum screening at Mexico border - AP**

**DeSantis pushes toughest immigration crackdown in the nation - NY Times**

**New Mexico law allows migrant children under 21 to obtain residency - KDBC.com**

**Advocates want migrant memorial built where fire claimed 40 lives - Border Report**

**CA bill would grant undocumented ag workers path to residency - The Fresno Bee**

**Immigrants take LA college classes in non-English languages - LA Times**

**After immigrant deaths at border, calls to end US-Canada asylum pact grow louder - Reuters**

**Migrants in Mexico frustrated by app for gaining US entry - CBS News**

**Mexican judge orders five held on homicide in migrant fire - AP**

**More Chinese migrants are coming to the US on foot, officials say - NBC News**

**Border towns are facing record levels of migration – NPR**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**oving God, your Son Jesus Christ, wept over Jerusalem. Today, we weep over Ukraine.**

**We weep for those uprooted from their homes and lives. We weep for those cowering in basements. We weep for those who have witnessed death and destruction on their streets.**

**We weep for those separated from parents, from children, from spouses and siblings. We are amazed at the resilience of people seeking to comfort those in need and so we pray for Governments opening up borders so that Ukrainians can have safe passage. We pray for churches and individuals providing food, clothing and shelter. We pray for medical workers ensuring that shattered bodies are put back together again. We pray for ordinary Russians demonstrating and voicing their disapproval of the military actions in Ukraine. May the Holy Spirit give us the willpower to turn our tears into action also. May we, through our words, prayers and example, pursue the things that make for a just peace in the world today. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen (Methodist Church)**

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

**NATIONAL LEVEL - End child labor. Expand asylum for unaccompanied migrant children.**

**[https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-end-child-labor-in-america-expand-asylum-for-unaccompanied-migrant-children?source=2023EndChildLabor\\_ATV&referrer=group-actv&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/actpatron-thankyou&link\\_id=2&can\\_id=9c91c4ee3a39a576c5260775feb6a9bc&email\\_referrer=email\\_1867205&email\\_subject=stop-child-labor&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\\_1867205](https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-end-child-labor-in-america-expand-asylum-for-unaccompanied-migrant-children?source=2023EndChildLabor_ATV&referrer=group-actv&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/actpatron-thankyou&link_id=2&can_id=9c91c4ee3a39a576c5260775feb6a9bc&email_referrer=email_1867205&email_subject=stop-child-labor&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_1867205)**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Joe Biden - do not reinstate family detention.** [https://actionnetwork.org/forms/tell-joe-biden-do-not-reinstate-family-detention?source=group-mijente&referrer=group-mijente&redirect=https%3a%2f%2fsecure.actblue.com%2fdonate%2fmijente-em-20230406&ms=20230406\\_email\\_actives&refcode=20230406\\_email\\_actives&utm\\_source=20230406\\_email\\_actives&sourceid=1003799&emci=48f25544-afd4-ed11-8e8b-00224832eb73&emdi=5048a25e-b7d4-ed11-8e8b-00224832eb73&ceid=264787](https://actionnetwork.org/forms/tell-joe-biden-do-not-reinstate-family-detention?source=group-mijente&referrer=group-mijente&redirect=https%3a%2f%2fsecure.actblue.com%2fdonate%2fmijente-em-20230406&ms=20230406_email_actives&refcode=20230406_email_actives&utm_source=20230406_email_actives&sourceid=1003799&emci=48f25544-afd4-ed11-8e8b-00224832eb73&emdi=5048a25e-b7d4-ed11-8e8b-00224832eb73&ceid=264787)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition to President Biden - No transit asylum ban.** [https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/forms/sign-the-petition-to-president-biden-no-transit-asylum-ban?detail=emailaction%22&link\\_id=2&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-take-action-the-biden-admin-will-rush-through-the-comment-period-for-this-asylum-policy-7&email\\_referrer=email\\_1826270&email\\_subject=take-action-the-biden-admin-will-rush-through-the-comment-period-for-this-asylum-policy](https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/forms/sign-the-petition-to-president-biden-no-transit-asylum-ban?detail=emailaction%22&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-take-action-the-biden-admin-will-rush-through-the-comment-period-for-this-asylum-policy-7&email_referrer=email_1826270&email_subject=take-action-the-biden-admin-will-rush-through-the-comment-period-for-this-asylum-policy)

**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 - Urge Biden admin to put the safety of migrant children at the forefront.** <https://p2a.co/d0HUxXB>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Roll back the asylum ban - protect the right to asylum.** <https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/roll-back-the-asylum-ban-protect-the-right-to-asylum/?emci=3cd69ded-32bc-ed11-a8e0-00224832e811&emdi=9546c253-d0c4-ed11-a8e0-00224832e811&ceid=6321161>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to pass the Dream Act of 2023 and provide permanent legal protections for Dreamers.** <https://p2a.co/69W1yUH>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell President Biden: No family detention.** <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-president-biden-no-family-detention>

**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](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)

### **Action Three: Education**

**Many migrants from non-traditional countries** - <https://www.borderreport.com/immigration/290-migrants-detained-within-13-hour-period-cbp-says/>

**Which countries send the most migrants to the US border, and what are they fleeing?** <https://www.latimes.com/world-nation/story/2023-04-03/what-countries-send-most-migrants-to-us-border-what-are-they-fleeing>

**Border towns are facing record levels of migration** - <https://www.npr.org/2023/04/02/1167645456/border-towns-are-facing-record-levels-of-migration>

**Biden has only difficult options for dealing with migration** - <https://www.npr.org/2023/04/03/1167538264/biden-has-only-difficult-options-for-dealing-with-migration>

**Human Rights Watch criticizes Texas immigration enforcement bills** - <https://www.jurist.org/news/2023/04/hold-human-rights-watch-criticizes-texas-immigration-enforcement-bills-over-vigilantism-concerns/>

**Advocates want migrant memorial built where fire claimed 40 lives** <https://www.borderreport.com/immigration/advocates-want-migrant-memorial-built-where-fire-claimed-40-lives/>

**Biden's new policies could reform chaotic US Mexico border** - <https://foreignpolicy.com/2023/04/05/biden-migrants-migration-southern-border-mexico-triangle/>

### **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](mailto:kdonayre@icdichicago.org) to be added to the emailing list.

**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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwinisjJ>

**Action Five: Social Media: (@POTUS)** The promises you made on the campaign trail don't match your actions in office. You are on a backwards path of embracing failed Trump-era policies at the border & it's putting people in danger. **Thank you for your efforts!**