



February 12 - 18, 2018 Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

- 'Chain Migration' has become a weaponized phrase. Here are the facts behind it. - NY Times
- Mattis says DACA recipients in military are "protected" even if program expires – CBS News
- Trump administration may target immigrants who use food aid, other benefits - Reuters
- White House floats an offer to keep legal immigration at 1 million per year instead of cutting it - LA Times
- Trump continues to cast some immigrants as criminals - Associated Press
- Trump takes 'shackles' off ICE, which is slapping them on immigrants who thought they were safe - Washington Post

Action One: Prayer

To you, Creator of nature and humanity, of truth and beauty, I pray: hear my voice for it is the voice of all victims of wars and violence among individuals and nations. Hear my voice, for it is the voice of all children who suffer. Hear my voice when I beg you to instill in the hearts of all human beings the vision of peace, the strength of justice, and the joy of fellowship. Amen.
(Prayer by St. John Paul)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR CAMPAIGN - From February 11-18, 2018, the LYN Campaign invites all to support, advocate with, and affirm the dignity of their neighbor, regardless of immigration status. You can share the love by sending a valentine to Congress or share the love via social media. Go to: https://ignatiansolidarity.net/campaignforhospitality/love-your-neighbor/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=c3f1d4a03d-LOVE_YOUR_NEIGHBOR_11818&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-c3f1d4a03d-146883633

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Department of Homeland Security to extend TPS for Syrians. Call the DHS comment line at [202-282-8495](tel:202-282-8495) to ask that TPS is renewed for Syrians in the US. Send a tweet to [Department of Homeland Security](#) and [Secretary Nielsen](#)

NATIONAL LEVEL - After the events of the past week, it is more important than ever for us to keep fighting for DACA. Sign here now to demand that Republicans protect DREAMers and allow a vote on a bipartisan DACA bill now. https://cvanhollen.cp.bsd.net/page/signup/sign-demand-congress-protects-dreamers?utm_medium=email&utm_source=cvanhollen&utm_content=2+-+Urge+Republicans+to+allow+a+vote+on+a+bi&utm_campaign=CVH_EM_PET_FULL_180125&source=CVH_EM_PET_FULL_180125

NATIONAL LEVEL - #NoDreamNoDeal has been the rallying call of courageous Dreamers and fearless activists to pass a clean Dream Act. Call your members of Congress now. <http://act.presente.org/call/DreamActCalls2018/?source=chv&refcode=em20180209>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Trump won't apologize, but WE can. To Haitians, Ghanaians, Nigerians, Salvadorans, Mexicans, and everyone Trump attacks and insults: we are sorry. Sign the petition:

https://secure.avaaz.org/campaign/en/haiti_trump_us_22/?bnjDAbb&v=101567&cl=13754832629&checksum=9b8a49ad0a6f393f6e358d04b62259d52ad9f848ac459c1f752e01e47d71e798

NATIONAL LEVEL - TAKE ACTION: Urge your members of Congress to support the right to appointed counsel in immigration court and to hold the Attorney General accountable for the protection of due process rights in the immigration court system.

http://action.immigrantjustice.org/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=25747

NATIONAL LEVEL - Trump continues to cozy up to private prison executives. He even wants to EXPAND their use! Sign your name to demand Congress ABOLISH private prisons:

https://go.weareprogressives.org/page/s/private-prisons?source=MS_EM_PET_2018.01.24_B1_Private-Prisons_X_F1_S1_C1_ns

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stand with DREAMers and tell Congress to act NOW!

<http://action.timryanforcongress.com/page/s/add-your-name-stand-with-dreamers-and-tell-congress-to-pass-immigration-reform-now-?source=em20180106>

Action Three: Education

We Locked Four Experts in a Room Until They Solved Immigration -

https://www.politico.com/magazine/story/2018/02/09/how-to-solve-immigration-experts-daca-216954?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=dfc3b5175b-CLINIC_Daily_2-12-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-dfc3b5175b-284015825

“It’s so hard now’: For a mother who self-deported to Mexico, days of feeling lost -

<http://www.latimes.com/local/california/la-me-ln-family-struggles-mexico-20180207-htmstory.html#nws=mcnewsletter>

Trump to establish National Vetting Center focused on travelers, immigrants to US -

<http://www.cnn.com/2018/02/05/politics/national-vetting-center-immigration-donald-trump/index.html>

Deporting DACA students not in public interest, say Jesuit education deans -

https://www.ncronline.org/news/opinion/ncr-today/deporting-daca-students-not-public-interest-say-jesuit-education-deans?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=dfc3b5175b-CLINIC_Daily_2-12-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-dfc3b5175b-284015825

Action Four: Action

ICIRR SUMMIT, Saturday, Feb. 17 - 9 AM - 2 PM; MALCOLM x COLLEGE; 1900 W. Jackson, Chicago;

Join us for discussions on issues important to the immigrant and refugee community, rally to hold elected officials accountable, gubernatorial and attorney general's candidate forum & more! **RSVP here:** <http://support.icirr.org/site/Calendar/941115511?view=RSVP&id=100181>

Benefit and Concert, Monday, APRIL 9: Office of Human Dignity and Solidarity Immigration

Ministry: "Keep Hope Alive", by City Lights Orchestra, St. Ignatius College Prep, 1976

Roosevelt Road; tickets on sale, \$75 advance, \$85 at the door. Contact mgoebel@archchicago.org or 312 534 8383

ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS: 7 AM, 1930 Beach St., Broadview, IL

First Fridays are Interfaith Services; other Fridays center on the Catholic Rosary

DIRECTIONS: from Loop, take I 290 west to south 25th Ave, then to exit 18A; turn right at Lexington, turn left at Beach St.

Action Five: Social Media -- Faith communities urge [Senator / Rep] to pass #DreamAct & protect 800,000 immigrant youth #HereToStay #Dream2017

Thank you for your efforts!