



## July 24 - 30, 2017 Alert on Immigration

### What's Happening?

“Let Obamacare Fail,’ Trump Says as G.O.P. Health Bill Collapses - by Thomas Kaplan/New York Times

Supreme Court allows more exceptions to travel ban - by Richard Wolf/USA Today

Bond Business Thrives As They Expand Into Immigration - Elinor Comlay/NY Times

DHS's Kelly: Program shielding 800,000 illegal immigrants may be in jeopardy - By Maria Sacchetti/Washington Post

Trump's travel ban could affect Los Angeles' bid to host the 2024 Olympics - by Abbey Shubert/MIC

USCCB Chairman Expresses Ongoing Support for DACA; Calls on Administration and Congress to Ensure Permanent Protection for DACA Youth - press release USCCB

Latinos Could Fuel Nearly A Quarter Of The U.S. Economy By 2020: Study - by Carolina Moreno/Latino Voices

### **Action One: Prayer**

Lord Jesus, today you call us to welcome the members of God's family who come to our land to escape oppression, poverty, persecution, violence, and war. Like your disciples, we too are filled with fear and doubt and even suspicion. We build barriers in our hearts and in our minds. Lord Jesus, help us by your grace,

To banish fear from our hearts, that we may embrace each of your children as our own brother and sister;

To welcome migrants and refugees with joy and generosity, while responding to their many needs;

To realize that you call all people to your holy mountain to learn the ways of peace and justice;

To share of our abundance as you spread a banquet before us;

To give witness to your love for all people, as we celebrate the many gifts they bring.

We praise you and give you thanks for the family you have called together from so many people. We see in this human family a reflection of the divine unity of the one Most Holy Trinity in whom we make our prayer: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen. (by USCCB)

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

**HR 2581: NATIONAL LEVEL** - Call Your member of Congress at **1-866-877-3303** and demand that they oppose the American Health Care Act and the Better Care Reconciliation Act. Creates roadblocks to prevent many citizens and immigrants from getting affordable, quality health insurance.

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - Tell Your Representative to #SaveTPS for Hondurans and Salvadorans! Call or email your representative. [http://org.salsalabs.com/o/625/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action\\_KEY=22106](http://org.salsalabs.com/o/625/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=22106)

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - The **Scalabrini International Migration Network** urges you to contact your representative in the House now to oppose DHS appropriations legislation. The legislation would increase the number of DHS enforcement personnel and detention beds, increasing the administration's ability to conduct a mass deportation campaign. To find your representative, visit <http://www.house.gov/representatives/find/>.

**NATIONAL LEVEL** -Tell Senate Democrats: Do everything in your power to block Trump's war on immigrants. [https://act.credoaction.com/sign/sen\\_dem\\_immigrants?t=3&akid=24080.2678758.T7TDtg](https://act.credoaction.com/sign/sen_dem_immigrants?t=3&akid=24080.2678758.T7TDtg)

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - Say NO to Deportation of Sponsors of Unaccompanied Minors -

[https://secure3.convio.net/sojo/site/Advocacy.jsessionid=00000000.app367b?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=1085&NONCE\\_TOKEN=D83841F6542FE6CF3D8E47BF37D359BC](https://secure3.convio.net/sojo/site/Advocacy.jsessionid=00000000.app367b?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=1085&NONCE_TOKEN=D83841F6542FE6CF3D8E47BF37D359BC)

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - The U.S. Pentagon promised to grant expedited citizenship to 1,000 foreign-born recruits who would provide urgently-needed medical and language services to the U.S. military. [Now, the Pentagon is considering a plan to cancel these contracts — putting these individuals at risk of deportation. Take action to protect enlisted immigrants.](#)

**STATE LEVEL** - Call Gov. Rauner at **312-814-2121** and demand that he publicly oppose both health bills, which will cost Illinois billions of dollars in Medicaid funding and thousands of jobs.

**STATE LEVEL** - [Will you sign this petition to urge Governor Bruce Rauner to stand with immigrant youth who are protected by DACA?](#)

**STATE LEVEL - ILLINOIS COALITION FOR IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE RIGHTS: PRIORITY ACTION! TRUST ACT NEEDS GOV. RAUNER SIGNATURE.** Please contact Gov. Rauner, [217-782-0244](tel:217-782-0244) and urge him to sign HB31, **the TRUST ACT**, *which will take responsibility for immigration enforcement out of the hands of local police* thereby promoting the public trust that is essential for effective community law enforcement.

**HB 2394: STATE LEVEL ----HIGHER ED-IN-STATE STUDENT AID, CALL TO HAVE THE STUDENTS TO HAVE ACCESS TO EDUCATION BILL:** Please help push the **STUDENT ACCESS TO EDUCATION BILL** to a vote by calling your Rep and those below. HB2394 would give public universities the power to grant economic aid to students regardless of their immigration status. Please provide 4 year public universities with the legal authority to provide financial aid to undocumented students who qualify for in-state tuition. Please call these representatives below; Dan Brady - 217/782-1118; Norine Hammond 217/782-0416; Christine Winger 217/782- 4014; Sara Jimenez; 217 782 0040; Natalie Manning 217 782 2316; Dave Severin 217 781 1051; Rita Mayfield ; 217 558 1012; David Olsen 217 558 6587; Jim Durkin 217 558 0494

## Action Three: Education

Lawsuit claims US has threatened and misled immigrants seeking asylum - [https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/jul/12/lawsuit-us-hblocked-asylum-seekers-access-to-process-mexico?utm\\_content=buffer72f64&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=twitter.com&utm\\_campaign=buffer](https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/jul/12/lawsuit-us-hblocked-asylum-seekers-access-to-process-mexico?utm_content=buffer72f64&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=buffer)

Update from Chicago Religious Leadership Network on Latin America - <https://files.acrobat.com/a/preview/6bee7971-73b2-48a5-aed3-a93d41d2ab51>

Trump Administration's Cruel, Inhumane, and Completely Unworkable Mass Deportation Agenda Advances <http://blog.nclr.org/2017/07/14/trump-administrations-cruel-inhumane-completely-unworkable-mass-deportation-agenda-advances/>

The costs of ending DACA are immense, not only the personal costs, but also to our country's economic engine by CWS <https://files.acrobat.com/a/preview/06bcc9cb-ef9a-41da-a72d-8c12d46de186>

*Practice Advisory: Working with Child Clients and Their Family Members in Light of Administration's Focus on "Smugglers" - <https://cliniclegal.org/sites/default/files/resources/defending-vulnerable-populations/Working-with-Child-Clients-and-Their-Family-Members-in-Light-of-the-Trump-Administrations-Focus-on-Smugglers.pdf>.*

These Are The Military Recruits Who Might Be Deported Under Trump - [http://www.charlotteobserver.com/news/politics-government/article161872933.html?utm\\_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm\\_campaign=4802a228b6-CLINIC Daily 7-20-17&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_a33179621a-4802a228b6-279173657](http://www.charlotteobserver.com/news/politics-government/article161872933.html?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=4802a228b6-CLINIC Daily 7-20-17&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-4802a228b6-279173657)

I can hear Jesus' indignant response to the AGs who want to deport 'Dreamers' - <http://religionnews.com/2017/07/03/i-can-hear-jesus-indignant-response-to-the-ags-who-want-to-deport-dreamers/>

Federal Government Pays Texas to Track Immigrants - [http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/federal-government-pays-texas-counties-track-immigrants-48667899?utm\\_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm\\_campaign=4802a228b6-CLINIC Daily 7-20-17&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_a33179621a-4802a228b6-279173657](http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/federal-government-pays-texas-counties-track-immigrants-48667899?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=4802a228b6-CLINIC Daily 7-20-17&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-4802a228b6-279173657)

## Action Four: Action

"Then They Came for Me: Incarceration of Japanese Americans During WWII and the Demise of Civil Liberties" Through 11/19: Alphawood Gallery, 2401 N. Halsted St. Chicago, 773-687-7676 [alphawoodgallery.org](http://alphawoodgallery.org)

**Action 5: Social Media** -- [@WhiteHouse](#) #Refugees are people looking for the same thing that everyone wants: happiness and a safe home for their families.

**Thank you for your efforts!**