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What's Happening

Greg Abbott's busing of migrants back to the border raises legal questions - Texas Trib

Federal judge orders Biden admin to ease restrictions on victims of Trump travel ban – SF Chronicle

Bipartisan bill could help Afghan evacuees obtain green cards – VOA

More Haitians, Cubans and Venezuelan asylum seekers ending up in downtown McAllen, TX - wnct.com

ACLU wants to end TX policy of shipping migrants back to the border - Texas Trib

New York City and Texas spar over immigrants - NY Times

Biden admin says 'Remain in Mexico' policy is over - AP

US admits 100,000 Ukrainian refugees in 5 months - Axios

Supreme Court certifies ruling ending 'Remain in Mexico' policy - AP

Action One: Prayer

Loving Creator, full of love and mercy, I want to offer this prayer for my migrant siblings: Have mercy on them and protect them, as they suffer mistreatment and humiliation on their journeys, are labeled by many as dangerous, and marginalized for being foreigners. Make them respected and valued for their dignity. Touch with Your goodness the many that see them pass. Care for their families until they return to their homes, not with broken hearts, but with hopes fulfilled. Let it be so.

(Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to swiftly pass the bipartisan Afghan Act:

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-congress-to-swiftly-pass-the-bipartisan-afghan-adjustment-act/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=de1325be-d01d-4d0c-b0d9-d69f221ac65a>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge state and local leaders to support refugee resettlement in FY 2023.

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/urgent-action-tell-your-state-local-lawmakers-to-urge-administration-to-set-refugee-admissions-goal-at-200000-for-fy-2023/>

NATIONAL LEVEL – Congress must pass the Afghan Adjustment Act.

https://act.hias.org/page/43442/action/1?utm_medium=email&utm_source=hias.org&utm_campaign=hias_update&utm_content=HIAS+Global+Update+-+August+2022&ea.url.id=1378375

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Biden admin to end 'Remain in Mexico' -

https://act.hias.org/page/42698/action/1?utm_medium=email&utm_source=hias.org&utm_campaign=advocacy&utm_content=its+time+to+end+Remain+in+Mexico&ea.url.id=1360076&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Shut down Stewart Detention center - <https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/shut-down-stewart-detention-center>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress, heal not harm. End Title 42. <https://www.afsc.org/action/tell-president-biden-restore-right-to-claim-asylum>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Biden admin to shut down the Stewart Detention center in Georgia - <https://act.nilc.org/page/43073/petition/1?ea.url.id=1362821&forwarded=true>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to oppose the continuation of Title 42

https://act.hias.org/page/40145/action/1?utm_medium=email&utm_source=hias.org&utm_campaign=hias+update&utm_content=HIAS+Global+Update+-+May+2022&ea.url.id=1280706

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition to Pres. Biden to end Remain in Mexico.

<https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-to-president-biden-terminate-remain-in-mexico?source=direct+link&referrer=group-national-immigrant-justice-center&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=310b53f2-165b-4dc8-b35f-19c47645520f>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to vote "no" on bills to extend Title 42.

<https://www.votervoice.net/LIRS/Campaigns/94997/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand an end to Haitian removals.

<https://quixotecenter.salsalabs.org/endhaitiremovals/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=9c2ebff2-bfbf-4f9e-853d-e6e7286347d8>

Action Three: Education

Child migrants wait for documents, aid at Mexico's southern border -

<https://cronkitenews.azpbs.org/2022/08/01/tapachula-mexico-children-migrants-wait-for-immigration-documents-aid/>

Greg Abbott's busing of migrants back to the border raises legal questions -

<https://www.texastribune.org/2022/08/01/texas-bus-migrants-ports/>

Border patrol agents are trashing Sikh asylum seekers' turbans - <https://theintercept.com/2022/08/02/sikh-turban-border-patrol/>

The Missing migrants of south Texas - <https://www.newyorker.com/news/letter-from-the-southwest/the-missing-migrants-of-south-texas>

Chicago group trains Catholics in immigration ministry - <https://www.chicagocatholic.com/chicagoland/-/article/2022/08/03/pastoral-migratoria-institute-continues-to-train-other-dioceses-in-immigrant-minist-1>

The secret history of family separation - https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2022/09/trump-administration-family-separation-policy-immigration/670604/?utm_medium=cr&utm_source=email&utm_campaign=Sept%20Cover%20Story%20-%20Actives%20-%20August%202022&utm_term=ALL%20Active%20Subscribers%20%28Stripe%2BCDS%2BiTunes%29

How the Afghan Adjustment Act would help US allies who were evacuated to the US -

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/philadelphia/afghan-adjustment-act-evacuation-citizenship-20220809.html>

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.

ICDI Monthly meetings: 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>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Rep/Sen) DACA is only temporary. Only a pathway to citizenship will bring them closer to lasting protection under the law. Congress must urgently create a pathway to citizenship now! Give them the stability, certainty and permanent home they deserve.

Thank you for your efforts!