



February 20 – 26. 2017 Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

- A new or another Executive Order is expected regarding immigrants. The Department of Homeland Security has prepared new guidance for immigration agents aimed at speeding up deportations by denying asylum claims earlier in the process.
- A renewal of the ban of those coming from the 7 countries will most likely be extended.
- Two DACA holders have been arrested so it will be seen what will happen to DACA.
- More Syrian Refugees are going to Canada.
- Today on President Day there are a number of demonstrations against President Trump.

Action One: Prayer



"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free."
This quote comes from Emma Lazarus' sonnet.

Let us pray that we will live up to this quote on the Statue of Liberty.

Action Two: Calls/Letters/Petitions

Tell the White House & Congress that you OPPOSE Trump's Raids Tearing Families & Communities Apart <https://greateras1.org/oppose-raids-tearing-families-apart/>

Standing with our brothers and sisters to stop harmful deportations that tear families apart: **CALL THE WHITE HOUSE AND CONGRESS TODAY President Trump: (866) 961-4293**

Your Senators and Representatives: (202) 224-3121* Call three times – 2 Senators and Representative

Sample Script: "I'm your constituent from [City, State]. I urge President Trump to immediately STOP the inhumane and unjust ICE raids deporting our immigrant neighbors. Raids don't make our communities any safer. I am OPPOSED to Trump's executive orders to build a wall, prevent asylum seekers from seeking safety, and force local police to serve as federal immigration agents.

These announcements are morally reprehensible, run counter to who we are as a nation, and do not reflect the welcome for immigrants I see every day in my community. I urge you to do everything in your power to see these announcements reversed, and to stand in solidarity with our immigrant neighbors."

Say No to Trump Troops Against Immigrants!

https://act.rootsaction.org/p/dia/action3/common/public/?action_KEY=12731

Support Our Immigrant Community By Passing the BRIDGE Act

http://act.networklobby.org/p/dia/action3/common/public/?action_KEY=206940

Sign the petition: Demand Congress reject Trump's anti-Muslim policies!

<http://act.demandprogress.org/sign/sign-petition-demand-congress-reject-trumps-anti-muslim-policies/?source=demandprogress&t=2&akid=5149.2561280.817CbY>

Action Four: Education and Action

FEB. 21: EVANSTON NORTH SHORE YWCA: discussion on issues relating to immigration and refugee protection, Skokie Library, 5215 Oakton, Skokie, 12-1 PM

Know your safety plan: It's important to prepare a safety plan in the event you or loved ones are caught up in immigration enforcement actions. [Share this graphic](#) with important information about your rights and tips to start your plan. Help Immigrants to know what to do!!!!

KNOW YOUR SAFETY PLAN






OBEY TRAFFIC AND CRIMINAL LAWS. CARRY A VALID STATE ID & WORK PERMIT.

Do not carry any false/fraudulent documents. If arrested, consult an immigration attorney before pleading guilty.

PRACTICE YOUR RESPONSE IF CONFRONTED BY IMMIGRATION

You do not have to answer an immigration agent's questions. Do not open the door if an immigration agent knocks on your door and does not have a warrant.

CREATE A SAFETY PLAN IN CASE YOU ARE ARRESTED OR DETAINED

-  Identify your emergency contact and memorize their phone number
-  Memorize your A number and give it to your emergency contact
-  Provide your child's school or day care with the emergency contact name and number and give permission for that person to pick up your child
-  Authorize your emergency contact to make child's medical and legal decisions
-  Keep your passport, identity info, proof of presence in the U.S. and financial info in a safe location. Make sure your emergency contact can access them.

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Immigration Raids Rapid Response: Faith Allies

How can you prepare?

- 1** Make sure you are part of an organized network of faith communities - find one at bit.ly/SanctuaryCoalitions
- 2** Identify or create communications mechanisms such as a hotline number or phone tree where faith allies can be reached in case of an emergency.
- 3** Make a plan, in consultation with an immigrant-led organization, for how allies can support. Find a group at www.informedimmigrant.com
- 4** Make sure you know your rights and that you know the rights to which all immigrants are entitled (Download full toolkit for these & more resources).

Download the full toolkit at www.sanctuarynotdeportation.org

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<http://immigrantjustice.org/know-your-rights>

TAKING BACK THE NARRATIVE

HOW TO TALK ABOUT IMMIGRANTS AND IMMIGRATION

February 23, 2017, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. EST



Free webinar to combat myths, foster empathy
and own the conversation on immigration.

Hosted by The ILC Public Education Institute

Thank you for your efforts!