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What's Happening

Unaccompanied minors are representing themselves in court, alarming advocates - ABC

Faith based groups that assist migrants become targets of extremists - NY Times

Biden admin tries to plug border loopholes that released migrants linked to terrorism into the US - NBC News

Border mayors heading to DC for Tuesday's immigration announcement - AP

Biden considers temporarily closing southern border to curb flow of migrants - PBS.org

Claudia Sheinbaum elected Mexico's first female president - WSJ

Another migrant dies in Georgia ICE detention, second in 2024 - Atlanta Jrnl Constitution

NYC set to launch a new migrant program in Buffalo. Will more follow? - Gothamist

Border vigilantes are blurring the lines of law enforcement - Texas Observer

Biden to be finalizing plans for migrant limits as part of US-Mexico border clampdown - AP

US planning to refer some migrants for resettlement in Greece and Italy - CBS News

Action One: Prayer

Lord God, in your eyes no one is a stranger, an outsider, an "illegal." Protect all who come to our borders in search of a better future for their families. Touch the hearts of our leaders that families may be reunited and justice may be tempered with mercy. Heal the pain of those who undergo separation and keep the children safe from all harm. Show us how to be generous and to make room for others in this land, for we are all your sons and daughters. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. (St. James Cathedral, Seattle)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Biden Administration to Ensure Safety and Protection for People Impacted by the Middle East Conflict - <https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge USCIS to Enhance the USCIS Customer Experience - <https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to invest in communities' capacity to welcome refugees. <https://cwsqglobal.org/action-alerts/urgent-action-tell-congress-to-invest-in-local-communities-capacity-to-welcome-refugees/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to invest in housing programs- <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/action-alert-tell-congress-to-invest-in-affordable-housing>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Senate to defend asylum - <https://www.maryknollogc.org/action/tell-senate-defend-asylum>

NATIONAL LEVEL -Tell Congress - support immigration reform that respect religious liberty. <https://www.votervoicenet.org/JFI/Campaigns/110431/Respond>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition telling Biden to reunite immigrant families now. <https://www.change.org/p/president-biden-please-reunite-families-now>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action for Haiti. <https://quixote.org/action#>

NATIONAL LEVEL -Email your legislators urging them to protect family immigration. <https://advancingjustice-aajc.quorum.us/campaign/43496/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your MOC to support secure, efficient and human border security management. <https://p2a.co/Tc6usjk>

NATIONAL LEVEL – Urge Congress to co-sponsor the Protect Vulnerable Immigrant Youth Act - <https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your MOC to support HR 1325 - the Asylum Seekers Work Authorization Act. <https://www.refugeesinternational.org/actions/let-asylum-seekers-work/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urges DHS to take immediate steps to keep families together and grant TPS to Ecuadorians. <https://action.momsrising.org/sign/tps-for-ecuador/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC: Co-sponsor the End Solitary Confinement Act - <https://nrcat.salsalabs.org/esca-cosponsorship/index.html>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition - seeking asylum is a human right. https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right?source=2024Asylum_DK&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2Fdkil2024%3Frefcode%3D20240116SWAsylum&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2173391&email_subject=sign-if-you-agree-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right-that-must-be-protected&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2173391

Action Three: Education

US planning to refer some migrants for resettlement in Greece and Italy - <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/immigration-migrants-greece-italy-biden/>

Border vigilantes are blurring the lines of law enforcement - <https://www.texasobserver.org/border-vigilantes-law-enforcement-texas-arizona/>

The massive immigration wave hitting America's classrooms - https://www.wsj.com/us-news/education/the-massive-immigration-wave-hitting-americas-classrooms-3c7d7943?st=40ir8j14g3hn0e1&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink

After challenging journeys, migrants in Chicago adjust to life in their new city - <https://www.wbez.org/chicago/2024/05/30/after-challenging-journeys-migrants-in-chicago-adjust-to-life-in-their-new-city>

Action Four: Action

ONGOING: BROADVIEW ONLINE FRIDAY ROSARY: The Rosary prayer is conducted every Friday at 715 am 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 anyone want to connect in Zoom or participate in person, they can contact Sr. JoAnn Persch at 773-597-5394 or jpmrsm2@gmail.com

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: (@Rep/Sen) Tell the Federal agencies that under the Constitution, only the Federal government can create & enforce immigration laws.

Thank you for your efforts!