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What's Happening

Panama is using barbed wire to try to block a major route for US bound migrants - NBC News

Immigration and border politics are both changing the South - USA Today

Migrant advocates say Border Patrol separates families before deportation - AZ Republic

Divers rescue 54 migrants in Rio Grande at TX-Mexico border - El Paso Times

TX Governor's border wall will take around 30 years, \$20 billion to build - Texas Tribune

Migrant families are now banned from sleeping in Boston's airport - CNN

US Mexico deterring migration through cruelty, border nonprofit says - Border Report

Missouri Latinos worry that hearing on undocumented migrants' crime may encourage hate - kfvs12.com

Action One: Prayer

Eternal Father, You created us in Your own image and likeness, but sin has warped the minds of men and throughout the world there is much injustice and much carelessness of the rights of other people and personal responsibility. Lord, when You are excluded from the hearts and consciences of men, the inevitable result is that people suffer and Lord, there is much injustice and corruption taking place in our world today, not only in the lives of individuals but also in the corridors of power and the council rooms of many nations. We pray Lord, that You will right all the wrongs that are taking place in our world and vindicate those that are being treated unjustly. Lord in your grace and mercy we pray that you would give justice and peace to all those that have been cruelly and unfairly treated by their fellow man and may injustice and carelessness that they have had to endure be the means to draw them into Your saving arms of grace - we ask this in the precious name of the Lord, Jesus. Amen. (Author unknown)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your representative in the US House to commit to protecting immigrant communities. <https://p2a.co/gd8tjmg>

NATIONAL LEVEL — Urge Congress to pass the Afghan Adjustment Act -
<https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>

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

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to combat human trafficking in the US -
<https://www.congressweb.com/GSNAC/345>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Senate to enact a permanent solution for Dreamers -

<https://p2a.co/Emn3bWM>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to create a pathway to citizenship for DACA recipients

https://act.nilc.org/page/69018/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20240615_EG_DACA12_NILC&ea.url.id=2623645&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand Biden to modernize DACA and expand protections.

https://unitedwedream.org/actions/12-years-of-daca-demand-president-biden-strengthen-and-expand-protections/?source=email_06.05&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2344358&email_subject=with-12-years-of-daca-around-the-corner-tell-biden-to-strengthen-and-expand-protections-

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- Tell POTUS - restore access to asylum.

https://act.nilc.org/page/68643/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20240605_EG_BidenEO_NILC&ea.url.id=2600326&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL- Tell Biden and Congress to reject inhumane, unlawful asylum restrictions

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-tell-president-biden-and-congress-to-reject-inhumane-unlawful-asylum-restrictions-stand-by-commitments-to-the-persecuted/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=b2feada5-0275-45c1-973a-a87242d0c234>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to combat human trafficking in the US -

<https://www.congressweb.com/GSNAC/345/>

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://nr.cat.salsalabs.org/esca-cosponsorship/index.html>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action for Haiti.

<https://quixote.org/action#>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Biden - we will not be silent as you seal the border to people seeking asylum -

https://act.hias.org/page/68653/action/1?en_txn6=MR-EM-FY24-06-asylum_ban_2024-advo-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=asylum_ban_2024&utm_content=240606+Border-Asylum+ActionAlert+General+e1&ea.url.id=2603107

Action Three: Education

(Report) CMS finds Parole-in-Place will benefit 455,000 US families and improve the US economy: most living in California and Texas -

<https://cmsny.org/cms-finds-parole-in-place-will-benefit-455000-us-families-improve-us-economy/>

US wanted to avoid Trump's 'Kids in cages' problem. Doing so created another problem-

https://www.wsj.com/us-news/biden-migrant-children-temporary-guardians-trump-cages-e4d115f1?st=eyh39hn3zqi4e3s&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink

An anthropologist lived amongst migrant smugglers. What did he learn?

<https://www.wbur.org/onpoint/2024/07/10/migrant-smugglers-jason-de-leon-mexico-border-immigration>

Many aging migrants pay taxes; they stare down a retirement with no benefits -

https://www.wsj.com/economy/retirement-social-security-benefits-illegal-immigrants-c5a04d74?st=p1ybdhcdc3o35hv&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink

GOP-led states have sent hundreds of troops to Texas border -

<https://www.texastribune.org/2024/07/15/texas-national-guard-border-other-states-deployment/>

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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisjJ>

Action Five: Social Media: (@POTUS) Thank you for redesignating and extending TPS for Yemen. They need our help and protection. **Thank you for your efforts!**