



February 24 – March 1, 2020

What's Happening?

US population will decline faster without steady immigration, Census report says - Wash Post

Civil rights groups file requests to preserve ICE records - ABC News

Slim majority of Texas support accepting refugees - Texas Tribune

Seventh person dies in 2020 while in ICE custody - BuzzFeed

As Trump barricades the border, legal immigration is beginning to plunge - NY Times

Chgo leaders blast Trump plan to bring in border agents as effort to intimidate immigrants, hurt census count - Chicago Trib

US judge sides with migrants in case against Border Patrol - AP

Mulvaney says "US is desperate" for more legal immigrants - Wash Post

Latest immigration appointment signals shakeup pushed by White House - CNN

ICE flouts state law in arresting two people at Northern California courthouse - LA Times

Former US Marine facing deportation 25 years after he left active duty - Univision

Action One: Prayer

Loving God, protect all seeking refuge. May the boundary lines be lifted and fall once more in pleasant places. Give fearful hearts reason to be glad, weary souls cause to rejoice and exhausted bodies a place to rest secure. Lead us together on the path to life as we share from your abundance so all may know the fullness of joy. Amen. (Christian Aid)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - This spring the Supreme Court will announce its decision on DACA. Contact your senators and tell them to urge Senator Mitch McConnell to allow a vote on the Senate floor and to pass a clean Dream Act of 2019 (S. 874).

https://ignatiansolidarity.net/action-alerts/protect-daca-recipients/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=8c3f1ef67b-02.07.20_immigration_update_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-8c3f1ef67b-146883633&mc_cid=8c3f1ef67b&mc_eid=adefda0a7a

NATIONAL LEVEL - At the center of immigration issue in the White House is Stephen Miller, a racist white nationalist who has been given the power to implement policies that hurt immigrants. Sign the petition to demand that Stephen Miller resign from the White House.

https://petitions.signforgood.com/nilc-stephen-miller-resign?code=itk51-ja-nd&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fnilc.salsalabs.org%2Fdonate-iff-als%2Findex.html%3Fsl_tc%3Djtk51-ja-nd&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=b2ddb50f-c90b-455f-bb20-dac10559c083

NATIONAL LEVEL -Call on Congress to save asylum. Legislators must stop Trump's

"Remain in Mexico" policy from returning people to danger. <https://www.uusc.org/initiatives/call-on-congress-to-save-asylum/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=7b8df859-3b01-4db1-b71e-f39b36a6d4c3>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to Congress calling for the protection of those seeking asylum at our border. https://ignatiansolidarity.net/campaignforhospitality/2019/06/27/action-alert-inherent-dignity-of-asylum-seekers/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=fdbd2096e3-Light_Darkness_2019&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-fdbd2096e3-255847889&mc_cid=fdbd2096e3&mc_eid=9c9f057a6f

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition and demand that the Senate pass legislation that would strengthen voting rights. We must protect every citizen's right to vote.

https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-we-must-act-immediately-to-protect-the-right-to-vote-for-everyone?source=2020VotingRightsAct_PFAW&referrer=group-pfaw&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fact.pfaw.org%2Fdonate%2Fsenate-VRAA-afteraction-ja%2F

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge lawmakers to reform the broken American prison system and end mass incarceration.

https://www.signherenow.org/petition/end-mass-incarceration/dailykos/e/?link_id=1&can_id=9c91c4ee3a39a576c5260775feb6a9bc&source=email-sign-if-you-agree-ending-racist-mass-incarceration-starts-with-us-8&email_referrer=email_628916&email_subject=sign-if-you-agree-ending-racist-mass-incarceration-starts-with-us

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition: Demand Congress enact humane treatment for asylum seekers and immigrants.

https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-demand-congress-enact-humane-treatment-for-asylum-seekers-and-immigrants?source=2019DignityforImmigrants_FAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=76be7177-0454-4cfe-a9f5-bbf764553e4

Action Three: Education

They were one of the first families separated at the border. Two and a half years later, they are still apart -

https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/the_americas/they-were-one-of-the-first-families-separated-at-the-border-two-and-a-half-years-later-theyre-still-apart/2020/02/17/38594c98-4152-11ea-99c7-1dfd4241a2fe_story.html?hsec=p2ANqtz-B9QCDAYVFSdZ0ON3Byv0oydJCR7EwV2v1S3xeBcn6Yb7onGu1p4nOiqePMKcuK0DuKdJn5KOB2HOSQvzc7f-r2drOpg&hsmi=83498892&utm_campaign=KHN%3A%20First%20Edition&utm_content=83498892&utm_medium=email&utm_source=hs_email

On the border in Trump's twilight zone for migrants, a place where no one's in charge -

<https://www.thedailybeast.com/on-the-border-in-trumps-twilight-zone-for-migrants-where-no-ones-in-charge>

A former border agent, at risk of deportation - <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2020/02/a-former-border-agent-at-risk-of-deportation/606418/>

Immigrants flock to Canada, while US declines -

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/stuartanderson/2020/02/18/immigrants-flock-to-canada-while-us-declines/#365794b66e54>

Migrant kids separated for 6 years from family by US government -

<https://www.revealnews.org/article/the-disappeared/>

A United Nations panel recognizes a legal path for climate refugees - <https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2020/02/united-nations-ruling-climate-refugees-rights.html>

This new Pittsburgher is challenging what it means to be an undocumented immigrant in

America <https://www.pghcitypaper.com/pittsburgh/this-new-pittsburgher-is-challenging-what-it-means-to-be-an-undocumented-immigrant-in-america/Content?oid=16750100>

Action Four: Action

ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS: 7 AM, 1930 Beach St., Broadview, IL

Join in prayer vigil at the immigration processing center to provide public witness and accompaniment to those about to be deported. First Fridays are Interfaith Services; other Fridays center on the Catholic Rosary **DIRECTIONS:** from Loop, take I-290 west to south 25th Ave, then to exit 18A; turn right at Lexington, left at Beach St.

Action Five: Social Media – (@ Sen/Rep) Trump cannot send troops to our cities and put everything into upheaval. This has got to stop. Wake up Congress. Protect those that are hunted.

Thank you for all your efforts!