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What's Happening?

Fed'l judge orders Trump admin to stop detaining migrant children in hotels prior to expelling them - CBS News

ICE postpones controversial 'Citizens Academy' in Chicago - Chgo Sun Times

Judges skeptical of plan to exclude undocumented immigrants from 2020 Census - Reuters

Members of Congress ask Trump to stop deporting Nicaraguan dissents - Wash Post

US Appeals court overturns ban on immigration arrests at Massachusetts courthouse - NPR

ICE arrests 2,000 immigrants in largest sweep of the pandemic - CBS News

50 yr. old Honduran immigrant died in ICE custody had tested positive for Covid19 - BuzzFeed

Tortured Nicaraguan political dissent seeking US asylum rejected at border - Wash Post

Citizenship applicants caught in backlog distraught over inability to vote this year - Wash Post

Trump admin seeking to expand collection of biometric data from immigrants - NPR

NJ law paves way for immigrants, regardless of status, to obtain professional licenses - roinj.com

Action One: Prayer

God of new life, as your people seek refuge in a time of uncertainty, when borders are closed, resettlement halted, and services limited, may your presence be known: You have not abandoned them, the refugees. When Mary wept at your tomb, you came to her unrecognized at first, but you were there with arms open to receive. May we, the global community, imitate you, bringing comfort to the brokenhearted here on earth. When all seems lost along the journey, with the world sealed off, may we be there, despite the distance with arms open to receive. Amen. (Jesuit Refugee Service)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - USPS Board of Governors - Remove Louis DeJoy as Postmaster Genl.

<https://sign.moveon.org/petitions/board-of-governors-of-the-united-states-postal-service-remove-louis-dejoy>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Protect families from Covid19 and family separation, shut down the Berks

County Detention Center - https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/protect-families-from-covid19-shut-down-the-berks-county-detention-center?utm_source=Shut+Down+Berks+Mailing+List&utm_campaign=2541a75446

NATIONAL LEVEL - Pass the John Lewis Voting Rights Act of 2020. Sign the petition and demand the Senate approve the John Lewis Voting Rights Act of 2020.

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/petitions/pass-the-john-lewis-voting-rights-act-of-2020?detail=emailaction&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-we-can-honor-john-lewis-by-protecting-voting-rights-2&email_referrer=email_902604&email_subject=add-your-name-restore-the-voting-rights-act

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Senate to extend the Census deadline.

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/petitions/sign-now-urge-the-senate-to-extend-the-census-deadline?detail=emailaction&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-now-every-person-has-to-be-counted-2&email_referrer=email_901329&email_subject=add-your-name-put-pressure-on-the-senate-to-protect-the-census

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition: tell the Trump admin to welcome asylum seekers.

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/forms/sign-hias-petition-to-call-on-the-trump-administration-to-welcome-asylum-seekers?detail=emailaction&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-trump-administration-threatening-the-universal-right-to-asylum&email_referrer=email_908382&email_subject=sign-now-demand-the-trump-administration-welcome-asylum-seekers

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign and send a petition to your US Senators: demand a vote on the emergency postal service funding bill.

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/letters/sign-and-send-a-petition-to-your-us-senators-demand-a-vote-on-emergency-postal-service-funding-bill?detail=emailaction&link_id=3&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-call-action-urge-your-us-senators-to-speak-out-publicly-about-the-need-to-save-the-postal-service&email_referrer=email_902573&email_subject=call-action-urge-your-us-senators-to-speak-out-publicly-about-the-need-to-save-the-postal-service

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand Trump admin fully restore the DACA program. DACA is critical for families.

https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/petitions/daca-is-critical-program-for-families-we-need-to-defend-it?detail=emailaction&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-on-protect-daca-2&email_referrer=email_888931&email_subject=add-your-name-make-daca-work

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Senate to pass the Dream and Promise Act (HR 6) and reduce funding for ICE and CBP.

http://fpl.actionkit.com/sign/DACA-SCOTUS-response/?t=8&referring_akid=2223.48167.GScxWI

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign this petition to Congress to stop funding ICE detention centers now!

https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-to-congress-stop-funding-ice-detention-centers-immediately?source=2020DefundICE&DetentionCenters_DKc3s&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2FdKllpromigrant2020%3Frefcode%3D2020DefundICE&link_id=0&refcode>EmailReferrer=email_876510&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_876510&email_subject=signatures-needed-no-more-taxpayer-dollars-to-detention-centers

NATIONAL LEVEL - Protect USPS: add your name to Sen Durbin's petition to demand that Congress fund USPS and reverse Trump's dangerous actions.

<https://act.durbinforsenate.com/page/s-add-your-name-protect-usps?>

Action Three: Education

'Sidewalk School' for migrant children welcomes new academic year despite pandemic -

<https://www.borderreport.com/regions/sidewalk-school-for-migrant-children-welcomes-new-academic-year-despite-pandemic/>

Long-term coronavirus recovery hard for undocumented people, often without medical care -

<https://www.npr.org/2020/09/01/905822094/undocumented-with-covid-19-many-face-a-long-recovery-largely-on-their-own>

(Opinion) This simple change could legalize millions of immigrants -

<https://www.thenation.com/article/society/immigration-registry-legalize/>

New NJ law paves way for immigrants, regardless of status, to obtain professional licenses -

<https://www.roi-nj.com/2020/09/02/politics/new-law-paves-wave-for-immigrants-regardless-of-status-to-obtain-professional-licenses/>

The cost of citizenship: Local immigrants worry about looming hike in immigration, asylum fees -

https://lancasteronline.com/lavoz/the-cost-of-citizenship-local-immigrants-advocates-worry-about-looming-hike-in-immigration-asylum-fees/article_8b1cef56-ee64-11ea-82f3-9f0ab1245ff7.html

TPS status for Central American immigrants: Advancing immigration integration despite its uncertainty -

<https://latino.ucla.edu/research/temporary-protected-status/>

Action Four: Action

ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS: The ICDI Broadview Prayer Vigil is still happening but we are doing it weekly online. As is customary, First Fridays are interfaith and other weeks we pray the rosary. Anyone who wants to get the meeting access information can email hello@icdichicago.org with a request.

Action Five: Social Media: (@ Sen/Rep) Congress – pay attention. Families still need Covid19 relief. We need relief for all – including immigrants and their families. Don't wait until it's too late.

Thank you for all your efforts!