



January 29 - February 4, 2018 Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

Trump Immigration Plan Demands Tough Concessions from Democrats - NY Times

Border agent arrest aboard Greyhound bus triggers outcry - NY Post

NAACP sues DHS over protections for Haitian immigrants - The Hill

Worried about Trump-stoked exodus of immigrants, Canada discourages illegal crossings - LA Times

Action One: Prayer

Almighty and merciful God, whose Son became a refugee and had no place to call his own. Look with mercy on those who today are fleeing from danger, homeless and hungry. Bless those who work to bring them relief. Inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts, and guide the nations of world towards that day when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and peace. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen. (From Catholic Bishops Conference)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Justice for Immigrants asks Catholics and others of goodwill to stand in solidarity with Dreamers by urging your lawmakers to work towards a bipartisan solution for these young people. Go to: <https://justiceforimmigrants.org/action-alerts/urge-lawmakers-work-together-immediate-solution-dreamers/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Dream Heroes: These members of Congress voted no to deport Dreamers. If your MoCs are on this list, call 1-855-980-2355 and thank them for fighting using this script. Go to: <https://www.dreamerpledge.org/dream-hero-call-script/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - The government shutdown has come to an end with yet another temporary spending bill and a promise from McConnell to call a vote in the Senate for the DREAM Act by early February. Send your legislators a message demanding action for the DREAM Act now in the House and the Senate. https://nextgenamerica.org/act/government-shutdown/?utm_source=email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=textlink1&utm_campaign=180122_ShutDown

NATIONAL LEVEL - TAKE ACTION: Urge your members of Congress to support the right to appointed counsel in immigration court and to hold the Attorney General accountable for the protection of due process rights in the immigration court system. http://action.immigrantjustice.org/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=25747

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand a NAFTA replacement that puts people and planet before corporate profits!

<https://petitions.signforgood.com/GreenNAFTA/?code=FAN&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=94dbd341-69e4-437b-85e8-c864f15249bc>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stand with ADC in Support of Syrian Human Rights. TPS for Syrian nationals expires March 31, 2018, and is fast approaching. Nearly 6,000 Syrian nationals in the United States are TPS beneficiaries and live in limbo for fear of forced removal.

http://salsa3.salsalabs.com/o/50434/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=2

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Mitch McConnell to keep his word and allow the Senate to vote on a bipartisan bill providing security to Dreamers. Urge Republicans to allow a vote.

https://cvanhollen.cp.bsd.net/page/signup/sign-demand-congress-protects-dreamers?utm_medium=email&utm_source=cvanhollen&utm_content=2+-+Urge+Republicans+to+allow+a+vote+on+a+bi&utm_campaign=CVH_EM_PET_FULL_180125&source=CVH_EM_PET_FULL_180125

Action Three: Education

'If they come for you, they come for me': A 'dreamer priest faces deportation – and a divided congregation -

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/acts-of-faith/wp/2018/01/19/if-they-come-for-you-they-come-for-me-if-congress-fails-to-save-daca-this-priest-could-be-deported/?utm_campaign=40a60f5a46-CLINIC_Daily_1-25-18&utm_medium=email&utm_source=CLINIC%20Mail&utm_term=.e5caefd6e425

No Safety in a Warzone: Why TPS is needed for Syria. CLINIC report describes the acute need for the administration to extend Temporary Protected Status, or TPS, for Syria.

<https://cliniclegal.org/sites/default/files/resources/No-Safety-in-a-Warzone.pdf>

The Taking - The federal government's boldest land grab in a generation produced the first border wall - and a trail of abuse, mistakes and unfairness.

https://features.propublica.org/eminent-domain-and-the-wall/the-taking-texas-government-property-seizure/?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=d5cb89c506-CLINIC_Daily_1-24-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-d5cb89c506-284015825

'An Assault on the Body of the Church' - Catholic parishes have been hit hard by President Trump's decision to suspend Temporary Protected Status for Salvadorans.

https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2018/01/temporary-protected-status-el-salvador-catholic-church/551087/?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=d5cb89c506-CLINIC_Daily_1-24-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-d5cb89c506-284015825

11 people who will shape the immigration debate - <http://thehill.com/latino/370602-11-people-who-will-shape-the-immigration-debate>

Action Four: Action

WEBINAR: Making Facts Matter: Immigrants, the Economy and Words that Work on Thursday, February 1, 2018 from 12noon -1pm CST hosted by The Immigrant Learning Center (ILC)

Public Education Institute, Register here: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6oDE-pszSy21CEk43BtjAA

RALLY: 100 Clergy Strong for DREAMer Monday, Feb 5, 2018, 10-11AM, Fedl Plaza, 230 S.

Dearborn. Calling on all clergy to stand together to call on Congress to protect DREAMers.

This is 1 month before the deadline and faith leaders can send a strong message. Sign up using the [registration form](#), this will help us make sure we are on track to meet our goal of 100 clergy. Go to:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSefFQTZQW5kmhmOVYyNXRuAqSEJZMFmsQnrPqSLzBDYWQ6qQA/viewform>

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

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; turn left on Beach St.

Action Five: Social Media - Faith communities urge [Senator / Rep] to pass #DreamAct & protect 800,000 immigrant youth #HereToStay #Dream2 **Thank you for your efforts!**