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What's Happening?

2 shuttered AZ shelters for immigrant kids could reopen - NY Times

Trump's immigration policies are causing corporate employee revolts - Axios

13 states file lawsuit over Trump 'public charge' rule - The Hill

ICE starts immigration site visits for students on STEM Optional Practical Training - FORBES

Univ of Texas researchers aiding migrant teen threatened with arrest in Mexico – Texas Trib

Muslim initiative raises \$13,000 to release detained migrant's parents - Religion News Service

Some 300 arrested in Mississippi immigration raids have been released - NPR

Almost three quarters of Americans want undocumented immigrants to be able to legally stay in the US - CNN

Support for allowing border refugees in US edges up - Gallup.com

Trump policy favors wealthier immigrants for green cards - NY Times

Guatemala's new president could give Trump a huge headache on immigration - CNN

Trump admin moves to decertify outspoken immigration judges' union - NY Times

Action One: Prayer

We pray that those who seek to make a home in this country may find us welcoming and willing to help them find a path toward citizenship. We pray that our legislators, as they craft new immigration legislation may find the wisdom and courage to enact new policies that do justice for our country and for those who would immigrate here. We pray for those who fan the flames of fear and discrimination against the undocumented may be touched with your divine compassion. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. (The Archdiocese of Chicago)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Say NO to Trump's inhumane policies that separate families and harm kids. Take action now. <http://fpl.actionkit.com/call/say-no-president-trumps-inhumane-policies-separate-families-harm-kids/?t=7&akid=1693%2E48167%2E-N4CkC>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Christians, welcome the stranger. We oppose Trump's immigration raids. https://act.faithfulamerica.org/sign/ice_raids/?t=1&akid=1643%2E443148%2EbALF-E&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=041c315f-e390-4496-8136-bcfe9d3075ae

NATIONAL LEVEL - Cong. Pete Aguilar is trying to protect immigrant rights, but needs your help. Add your name to the petition to stop the use of inhumane immigrant detention centers. https://act.peteaguilar.com/page/s/close-detention-centers?source=MS_EM_PET_2019.07.10_B1_detention-centers_X_F1_S1_C1_all

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to hold Customs and Border Patrol accountable for inhumane child detention. https://action.aclu.org/petition/congress-hold-cbp-accountable-inhumane-child-detention?ms_aff=NAT&initms_aff=NAT&ms=190709_immigrantrights_detention&initms=190709_immigrantrights_detention&ms_chan=eml&initms_chan=eml&af=BcNshIQS8xuSodn2Upme1NXUJgVtSOxYoo%2B5iEwVgOK4TQ7OEp7iAKHrNgRkOaQ%2By0kiFW5pnvMMjPLCEERBX6JPYjEalNBP35Z9qBQmyxG68%2FSbPMk8YhAPBloZXiNRod2ui0mBC0hUOtMJvwZZlqCz6Ay0a86yTPU%2Fy3yggMo%3D

NATIONAL LEVEL - Oppose Trump's attacks on asylum seekers. Demanding that the Trump admin STOP attacking protections for those fleeing violence and poverty, to seek asylum. https://p2a.co/Ohoepjt?p2asource=CHGAEMASYL02&utm_content=3754435

NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action: urge Congress to end tax breaks for private prison companies. Sign the petition: https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-detaining-humans-in-prison-camps-for-profit-is-wrong-end-tax-breaks-for-private-prison-companies?source=direct_link&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=854d3806-f2ee-44a1-a922-cda818520935

Action Three: Education

"What do girls want to do?" After witnessing El Paso massacre, devastated soccer players weigh returning to the field - https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/what-do-you-girls-want-to-do-after-witnessing-el-paso-massacre-devastated-soccer-team-weighs-returning-to-the-field/2019/08/10/22b8737e-bbaa-11e9-a091-6a96e67d9cce_story.html

ICE starts immigration site visits for students on STEM Optional Practical Training (OPT) - <https://www.forbes.com/sites/stuartanderson/2019/08/12/ice-starts-immigration-site-visits-for-students-on-stem-opt/#1950ad315512>

Immigration lawyer discusses working with families in Mississippi after ICE raids - NPR audio https://www.npr.org/2019/08/08/749500879/immigration-lawyer-discusses-working-with-families-in-mississippi-after-ice-raid?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=f6124dd987-CLINIC_Daily_8-08-2019_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-f6124dd987-284015825

To help migrants at the border, aid groups deploy tech - <https://www.wired.com/story/help-migrants-border-aid-groups-deploy-tech/>

Immigrant students learn hard lessons about racism at historically white high school in Maine https://www.bostonglobe.com/magazine/2019/08/14/immigrant-students-learn-hard-lessons-about-racism-historically-white-high-school-maine/FdnY3NDbw2OoTF8sT5SGtL/story.html?s_campaign=breakingnews:newsletter

Immigration makes America great - https://www.vox.com/platform/amp/policy-and-politics/2017/4/3/14624918/the-case-for-immigration?_twitter_impression=true

Public's priorities for US asylum policy: more judges for cases, safe conditions for migrants - <https://www.people-press.org/2019/08/12/publics-priorities-for-u-s-asylum-policy-more-judges-for-cases-safe-conditions-for-migrants/>

El Paso immigration lawyer advocates for the victims of mass violence - https://www.newyorker.com/news/as-told-to/an-el-paso-immigration-lawyer-advocates-for-the-victims-of-mass-violence?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=f6124dd987-CLINIC_Daily_8-08-2019_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-f6124dd987-284015825

After ICE - <https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2019/08/ice-raids-mississippi-chicken-plants-aftermath-children.html>

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) Shutting down the refugee resettlement program is an assault on our values. Push to increase the number of refugees we can allow.

Thank you for all your efforts.