



October 2 – 8, 2017 Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

White House expands travel ban, restricting visitors from eight countries - by Devlin Barrett/Washington Post

ICE arrests over 450 on federal immigration charges during Operation 'Safe City' – press release – U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Republicans' new immigration bill is so ridiculous that it could take 15 years to become a citizen - by Esther Yu Hsi Lee/Think Progress

The Trump administration is playing with the lives of 59,000 Haitians - by Maryam Saleh/The Intercept

DHS planning to collect social media info on all immigrants - The Hill

Action One: Prayer

Come, O Holy Spirit! Come, open us to the wonder, beauty, and dignity of the diversity found in each culture, in each face, and in each experience, we have of the other among us. Come, fill us with generosity as we are challenged to let go and allow others to share with us the goods and beauty of earth. Come, heal the divisions that keep us from seeing the face of Christ in all men, women, and children. Come, free us to stand with and for those who must leave their own lands in order to find work, security, and welcome in a new land, one that has enough to share. Come, bring us understanding, inspiration, wisdom, and the courage needed to embrace change and stay on the journey. Come, O Holy Spirit, show us the way. (USCCB)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stop Trump from Dismantling Refugee Resettlement A Refugee Admissions Goal of Less than 75,000 Is Inexcusable. CALL YOUR SENATORS & REPRESENTATIVES TODAY: 1-866-961-4293. Tell them that any number less than 75,000 is unacceptable.

NATIONAL LEVEL - Thank you to Senators Graham (R-SC), Durbin (D-IL), Flake (R-AZ), Schumer (D-NY), Murkowski (R-AK), Masto (D-NV), Feinstein (D-CA), Harris (D-CA), Gardner (R-CO), and Bennet (D-CO) for [sponsoring the Dream Act](#) and to Representatives Roybal-Allard (D-CA) and Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL) for leading the effort, where *the Dream Act* has [199 co-sponsors](#) as we go to press. Urge Congress to pass the Dream Act of 2017 (S. 1615/H.R. 3440). Find your legislators at <https://www.callmycongress.com/>

NATIONAL LEVEL – Vote NO to the House Budget – it slashes \$\$ from Medicaid, Medicare , food & income assistance, education and housing. Monday-Wednesday, Oct 3-5, Call your Rep and say 'NO'. Call 1-888-516-5820

NATIONAL LEVEL - The #NoMuslimBanEver campaign - grassroots awareness and mobilization effort happening now and up to and on October 10, 2017, when Supreme Court will hear legal challenges to the Muslim and refugee bans. Please join us in saying #NoMuslimBanEver! Visit www.nomuslimbanever.com

NATIONAL LEVEL - Put pressure on your Members of Congress to demand an emergency relief package for Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands. CALL YOUR REPRESENTATIVES & SENATORS TODAY: 1-866-961-4293.

NATIONAL LEVEL - Share The Journey - Right now, the Administration is considering how many people will find refuge from persecution in the United States for 2018. Please contact the Administration and Congress today and let them know that as a person of faith, you care about refugees. https://support.crs.org/act/share-journey?utm_source=CCGP-email&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=migration-email

NATIONAL LEVEL - NAFTA is up for renegotiation. Help end a dangerous clause buried inside NAFTA. Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS), allows corporate executives to dispute a country's laws. When ISDS is included in trade deals, it has been hijacked by corporate interests and no longer serves the needs of the people. <https://actions.sumofus.org/a/no-isds-no-way/?akid=34571.764408.ygfN0D&rd=1&source=fwd&t=1>

HB 2394: STATE LEVEL ----HIGHER ED-IN-STATE STUDENT AID. CALL TO HAVE STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO EDUCATION BILL: Please help push the STUDENT ACCESS TO EDUCATION BILL to a vote by calling your Rep and those below. HB2394 would give public universities power to grant economic aid to students regardless of immigration status. Please provide 4 yr. public universities with legal authority to provide financial aid to undocumented students who qualify for in-state tuition. Call Reps: Dan Brady 217/782-1118; Norine Hammond 217/782-0416; Christine Winger 217/782- 4014; Sara Jimenez 217/782-0040; Natalie Manning 217/782-2316; Dave Severin 217/781-1051; Rita Mayfield 217/558-1012; David Olsen 217/558-6587; Jim Durkin 217/558-0494

Action Three: Education

Unions Are Training Hotel Workers to Face Down Immigration Raids -

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2017-09-20/unions-are-training-hotel-workers-to-face-down-immigration-raids>

Walmart, Target Join Call for 'Dreamer' Legislation -

https://www.nytimes.com/reuters/2017/09/20/business/20reuters-usa-immigration.html?_r=1

DHS Planning to collect social media info on all immigrants - <http://thehill.com/policy/national-security/352421-dhs-planning-to-collect-social-media-info-on-all-immigrants>

Immigrant taken by ICE from Austin courthouse was killed in Mexico -

<http://www.mystatesman.com/news/immigrant-taken-ice-from-austin-courthouse-was-killed-mexico/bfntga0HYA378iitM4VT8J/>

Key facts about unauthorized immigrants enrolled in DACA:

http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2017/09/25/key-facts-about-unauthorized-immigrants-enrolled-in-daca/?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=b9fc8887b4-CLINIC_Daily_9-28-17&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-b9fc8887b4-284015825

For Some Black Immigrants, Life in Limbo - http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/blogs/stateline/2017/09/27/for-some-black-immigrants-life-in-limbo?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=5607c28660-CLINIC_Daily_9-29-17&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-5607c28660-284015825

Action Four: Action

OCT. 2-23: ETHS LATINO ART EXHIBIT: featuring Chicano artist Robert Valdez; in the Evanston Township High School main lobby, 1600 Dodge, Evanston, IL. sponsored by Latino Liason and Latino Advisory Groups; proceeds to benefit honor roll Latino student with 4.0 avg as well as the free lunch program.

Action Five: Social Media -- [@WhiteHouse](https://twitter.com/WhiteHouse) #-Do the right thing and increase US refugee admissions. [Thank you for your efforts!](#)