



November 30 – December 6, 2020

What's Happening?

US border officials close TX warehouse where chain link 'cages' for migrants became a symbol of mistreatment - Wash Post

US held dozens of children at border for several days in the last 2 months - CNN

Trump's bid to exclude undocumented immigrants from reapportionment arrives at Supreme Court - Wash Post

Refugee advocates urge Biden to rebuild US asylum system - Aljazeera

Immigration advocates push Biden to not just bring back DACA but expand it - AZ Mirror

US agrees to pause deportations for women alleging abuse at GA ICE facility - NPR

New Trump rule would require some African tourists to pay up to \$15k in bonds - Reuters

Lawyers cite unhealthy Covid19 condition for detained children at border - AP

As Covid19 cases surge again, ICE leader push to detain more immigrants - LA Times

Action One: Prayer

We pray for those who leave their homes in search of new beginnings and possibilities, may they know your presence with them. 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 - Demand the Senate pass comprehensive Covid relief. We are facing a natl emergency and public health crisis that demands immediate attention.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-the-senate-we-are-facing-a-national-emergency-and-public-health-crisis/?source=group-coalition-on-human-needs&referrer=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/senatecovidletters&link_id=1&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_1003719&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_1003719&email_subject=add-your-name-demand-the-senate-address-the-nations-public-health-crisis

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to make Covid19 vaccines free for all.

https://actionnetwork.org/forms/tell-congress-make-coronavirus-vaccines-free-for-all-americans?source=direct_link&referrer=group-americans-for-tax-fairness&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/freevaccines&link_id=0&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_1003997&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_1003997&email_subject=re-tell-congress-make-coronavirus-vaccines-free-for-all-americans

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to pass Covid19 relief now.

https://secure.bread.org/site/Advocacy;jsessionid=00000000.app30038b?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=393&autologin=true&NONCE_TOKEN=82014D0998329CA4971FF5EE95C16065

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 - Demand US hotel chains stop fueling ICE's deportation machine.
https://www.dailykos.com/campaigns/petitions/sign-the-petition-demand-that-us-hotel-chains-stop-fueling-ices-deportation-machine?detail=emailactionLL&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-the-petition-demand-that-us-hotel-chains-stop-fueling-ices-deportation-machine-2&email_referrer=email_948715&email_subject=sign-if-you-agree-hotel-chains-must-end-any-contracts-or-subcontracts-with-ice

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to make family reunification a top priority until every single separated family is reunited. <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-make-family-reunification-a-top-priority>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to the San Antonio ICE Field Office and demand that these families get access to legal support they need to fight their cases.
https://www.raicetexas.org/2020/11/19/ice-transferred-families-from-hotels-to-immigration-prisons/?ms=em20201119_karnes_tellice&emci=164d5f89-b32a-eb11-9fb4-0003ff196a4c&emdi=80b87d8f-b32a-eb11-9fb4-0003ff196a4c&ceid=98335

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell ICE to stop deportation of children and their families -
<https://act.amnestyusa.org/page/59764/action/1>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand McConnell and Senate to pass Covid19 relief not more federal judges.
https://actionnetwork.org/letters/sign-and-send-the-petition-to-the-us-senate-you-must-focus-on-covid-19-relief-immediately-not-more-federal-judge-confirmations?source=2020SenatePassCOVIDNotJudges_CHN&referrer=group-coalition-on-human-needs&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/covid-senateletters&link_id=2&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_992551&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_992551&email_subject=sign-if-you-agree-the-senate-must-finally-pass-pandemic-relief

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to deliver a Covid19 health and stimulus bill that actually works for immigrant families. <https://protectingimmigrantfamilies.org/take-action/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stop the deportation of survivors and witnesses of ICE abuse -
<https://action.mijente.net/petitions/protect-survivors-of-medical-abuse-in-ice-custody>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell DHS to restore the right to asylum.
<https://jesuitmigrantsolidarity.org/restore-right-to-asylum/>

Action Three: Education

Undoing Justice Department policies key to immigration reform -

<https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/11/23/biden-will-try-to-unmake-trump-s-immigration-agenda-it-won-t-be-easy>

Immigration advocates push Biden to not just bring back DACA but expand it -

<https://www.azmirror.com/2020/11/23/immigration-advocates-push-biden-to-not-just-bring-back-daca-but-expand-it>

Tracking the Trump administration's "midnight resolutions" - <https://projects.propublica.org/trump-midnight-regulations/>

Behind Trump's final push to limit immigration - <https://www.politico.com/news/2020/11/30/trump-final-push-limit-immigration-438815?nname=playbook&nid=0000014f-1646-d88f-a1cf-5f46b7bd0000&nrid=0000015d-5842-d075-a77f-fb722f460000&nlid=630318>

Pregnant, exhausted and turned back at the border - <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/11/27/us/border-mexico-pregnant-women.html>

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). Since 2018, almost 75,000 undocumented immigrants were working in the health industry. Regardless, they have been left out of federal relief packages. This is unfair and inhumane. Immigrants are not expendable. Please help them as they help us all.

Thank you for your efforts!