



April 13 – 19, 2020

What's Happening?

Trump quietly shuts down asylum at US borders to fight virus - AP

Judge rules ICE must allow detainees free, private call to lawyers during Covid-19 - LA Times

Citing coronavirus, US expels 10,000 migrants in 3 weeks - LA Times

Nearly 400 migrant children sent back under new Covid-19 rules - Reuters

Covid-19 allows Trump to suspend immigration laws - Houston Chronicle

New border patrol expulsion tactics emerging - Arizona Daily Star

Trump second term promises more anti-immigration agenda - Washington Monthly

FL Keys jail ends lucrative contact with ICE, gives back its detainees - Miami Herald

Mayor makes Covid-19 relief available to all, regardless of immigration status - Chi SunTimes

Detained immigrants should get bond hearings after 6 mos. in detention - LA Times

Crews work on Trump's border wall despite stay at home orders - Dallas Morning News

7 staff mbrs test positive at Houston shelter for migrant children - Houston Public Media

Covid-19 may stop hundreds from becoming citizens in time to vote in November - NBC News

Action One: Prayer

Dear God, we know that we build a better tomorrow by standing together as one body of Christ. We thank you for our DACA brothers and sisters who remain courageous beacons of a better United States of America. Send your Holy Spirit to our Supreme Court Justices so they might have the integrity and courage to provide a just, merciful ruling. Give us the courage to boldly stand with them and sacrifice all that is necessary to provide them justice and give them peace in this country, their home. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen. (Faith4DACA)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition and demand that the Senate pass legislation that would strengthen voting rights. We must protect every citizen's right to vote.

[https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-we-must-act-immediately-to-protect-the-right-to-vote-for-everyone?source=2020VotingRightsAct_PFAW&referrer=group-pfaw&redirect=https%3A%2F%2fact.pfaw.org%2Fdonate%2Fsenate-VRAA-afteraction-ja%2F](https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-we-must-act-immediately-to-protect-the-right-to-vote-for-everyone?source=2020VotingRightsAct_PFAW&referrer=group-pfaw&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fact.pfaw.org%2Fdonate%2Fsenate-VRAA-afteraction-ja%2F)

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell ICE: Release all immigrants at risk of coronavirus.

https://www.raicetexas.org/2020/03/14/tell-ice-release-all-immigrants-at-risk-of-coronavirus/?ms=20190313_karnes_complaint&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=d6b12eee-e12c-4391-8536-f3671861b65f

NATIONAL LEVEL - As the coronavirus pandemic rages on, it's important that families be reunited now! https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/demand-congress-end-torture-of-migrant-families-and-children?source=direct_link&referrer=group-presenteorg&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2Fswaps%3Frefcode%3Dendtortureofmigrantfamiliesfullbase

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition-demanding Trump and DHS stop deportations to Mexico and Central America!

<https://lawq.salsalabs.org/stopdeportations/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=9be78402-d3da-4ca6-a0ae-a5244b2f2b6a>

NATIONAL LEVEL -Millions of people are in dire need of critical attention immediately. We call on you to fulfill your moral and Constitutional responsibilities: expand the COVID-19 emergency provisions to care for us all and enact our Moral Agenda immediately. Please sign this petition:

https://sign.moveon.org/petitions/this-pandemic-demands-a-systemic-response-an-urgent-message-from-the-poor-people-s-campaign?link_id=0&can_id=298a8737d541e240eadc8e3a6f562f48&source=email-poverty-amidst-pandemic-a-moral-response-to-covid-19&email_referrer=email_753563&email_subject=poverty-amidst-pandemic-a-moral-response-to-covid-19&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=d6b12eee-e12c-4391-8536-f3671861b65f

NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action to protect DACA recipients. This spring the Supreme Court will announce its decision on DACA. Contact your senators and tell them to urge Senator Mitch McConnell to allow a vote on the Senate floor and to pass a clean Dream Act of 2019 (S.

874) [https://ignatiansolidarity.net/action-alerts/protect-daca-recipients/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=8c3f1ef67b-02.07.20 immigration update COPY 01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-8c3f1ef67b-146883633&mc_cid=8c3f1ef67b&mc_eid=adefda0a7a](https://ignatiansolidarity.net/action-alerts/protect-daca-recipients/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=8c3f1ef67b-02.07.20%20immigration%20update%20COPY%2001&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-8c3f1ef67b-146883633&mc_cid=8c3f1ef67b&mc_eid=adefda0a7a)

Action Three: Education

Trump's second term immigration agenda - <https://washingtonmonthly.com/magazine/april-may-june-2020/trumps-second-term-immigration-agenda/>

The US is abandoning asylum seekers by pretending to care about their health -

<https://www.wbur.org/cognoscenti/2020/04/06/asylum-immigration-covid-19-c-nicholas-cuneo>

Aid workers seek to avoid coronavirus outbreak at Matamoros migrant camp -

<https://news.yahoo.com/aid-workers-avoid-coronavirus-110004171.html>

As coronavirus takes their jobs, benefits, Houston immigrants feel like they suddenly don't

exist - <https://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/job-loss-coronavirus-aid-pandemic-covid-immigrants-15182005.php>

What the racial data show - <https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2020/04/coronavirus-exposing-our-racial-divides/609526/>

Covid-19 may stop hundreds from becoming citizens in time to vote in the November elections

- <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/latino/coronavirus-may-stop-hundreds-thousands-becoming-citizens-time-vote-november-n1178541>

"When can we really rest?" - The California Sunday magazine - <https://story.californiasunday.com/darien-gap-migration>

Action Four: Action - The public convening at Broadview is on hold due to the Covid-19 pandemic

Action Five: Social Media – (@ Sen/Rep) This is a critical time for our country. Immigrants in health care are risking their lives to help us survive this terrible disease. We shouldn't allow visa restrictions to prevent them from doing their jobs.

Thank you for all your efforts!