





Week of November 14, 2016 ... Alert on Immigration

What's Happening?

We have a President-elect and that means we have a lot to do for immigrants and to keep immigrants safe, hold family together, preserve DACA and retain elements we have won for immigrants. At this point many immigrants are fearful and we need to stand with them and assure them that we care. We are not going to leave them alone. It is important that we help all immigrants to know their rights. At this point we need to discern what and how we are going to help immigrants and their families. Working with other groups who have similar values is an important strategy for us. Let us remember that we can still work on the state and local level along with prayer being an essential element.

Action One: Prayer - Please say this Prayer until Inauguration

Creator, Loving God we praise and thank you for this country, for democracy and the possibility of voting. Since our candidates have been fulfilled, from President to the county offices, we pray for each of them that they may work for all people as well as for the common good. May we work with one another in a non-partisan way so we may build bridges in solidarity with one another. In our country of immigrants, we work for compassion comprehensive reform and desire to show respect to each and all. We pray this in the name of our Generous God.

Action Two: Calls/Letters

Remember: Justice for Immigrants National Call: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 @ 3 PM Eastern/Noon Pacific on National Migration Week 2017 – Dial 1-800-446-1162 and use code 106181.

Justice for Immigrants: Action Alert to the Department of Homeland Security: Ensure the well-being of Haitians affected by Hurricane Matthew http://www.capwiz.com/justiceforimmigrants/issues/alert/?alertid=74215626&type=ML

Student Access Bill: <u>Item 1:</u> <u>Petition to the Governor and the Legislature.</u> Please sign and distribute to your listservs and social media sites, ideally, with a personal message/request from you before the link.

https://www.google.com/url?hl=en&q=http://petitions.moveon.org/sign/support-the-student-access?source%3Dc.em%26r_by%3D16589236&source=gmail&ust=1477738158178000&usg=AFQjCNFK-usFmBoTgHoUzDd-gWubkEk7cA

Item 3: Call-in days on Nov 14:

Call these representatives:

Rep Anthony de Luca (217) 7821719

Rep. Martin Moylan (217) 7828007

Rep. Michelle Mussman (217) 7823725

Rep. Pamela Reeves-Harris (217) 782-8077

Rep. Stephanie Kifowit (630) 5851308

Rep. Leitch (309) 6907373

Rep. Natalie Manley (815)7252741

Rep. Norine Hammond (309) 8362707

Rep. David Olsen (217) 7826578 (the voicemail says Ron Sandack but that is the previous representative and has not been changed. You are in fact calling Olsen, who replaced him in August 2016)

Please make these calls on Monday, Nov. 14-15

Jennifer Hammer (Governor's office), 217-558-1025

Rep. Sam Yingling, 217-782-7320

Rep. Tom Demmer, 217-782-0535

House Leader, Rep. Durkin, 217-782-0494

Rep. Harris, 217-782-3739

<u>Tell President-Elect Trump to condemn all bigotry and intimidation against children in schools</u>. Sign the petition TODAY: http://standUp2Hate.org.

Action Three: Education

Post – **Debrief Call**: Please join us for a post-election debrief call about the important work ahead at **12:00 PM EST on Friday, November 18th**.

Please RSVP at <u>bit.ly/November18RefugeeCall</u>. Call-in information and the link to the visual portion of the call will be emailed to you in advance of the call.

The World Day of Migrants and Refugee honors "Child Migrants, the Vulnerable and the Voiceless." https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/migration/documents/papa-francesco 20150912 world-migrants-day-2016.html

Families crossing the border: 'We are not criminals'

http://www.cnn.com/2016/11/02/us/family-immigration-detention-

centers/?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=d4b1463ef2-CLINIC_Daily_11-04-

16&utm medium=email&utm term=0 a33179621a-d4b1463ef2-279173657

Action Five: Actions

Texas RioGrande Legal Aid is hiring to provide support to CARA OTG in Dilley. Please share widely! http://www.trla.org/jobs/paral egal-ii-dilley-texas

Action Five: Social Media

November 18-December 18 -- International Migrants Day on Migrants Rights. See the attachment and www.talkmigrants.org

Facebook: End Immigration Detention of Children Twitter: @childdetention #Migrant Rights Campaign

Thank you for your efforts!