

Advocacy Actions for Responding to Recent Migration-Related Executive Orders

- Engage your lawmakers to the executive orders, encourage Congress to pass bills to nullify them, and ask your Representative and Senators to support the <u>BRIDGE Act</u> (H.R. 496/S. 128) to protect DACA youth. Participate in our Phone-In Fridays to your <u>U.S. Senators</u> and <u>Members of Congress</u>, and then try to meet with them in-district the week after Easter. Stay tuned for our Easter week materials!
- 2. **Encourage local lawmakers** to pass welcoming resolutions at the <u>community</u> and <u>state</u> level.
- 3. **Assist undocumented individuals** in your community. Help individuals access legal representation, attend their ICE check ins and immigration court proceedings, and prepare for potential immigration enforcement actions. Stay tuned for materials on this issue. In the meantime, we encourage you to review and share our Raids & Enforcement Actions Preparation Checklist as well as our Know Your Rights videos in English and Spanish.
- 4. **Build relationships** with local law enforcement and Department of Homeland Security offices. Contact our office for suggestions and draft scripts for your face-to-face meeting.
- 5. **Help build community** by <u>praying</u> together, raising awareness, and providing community forums for undocumented individuals to share their stories and needs.
- 6. **Participate in Refugees Welcome events nationally**. Connect with others in your community who are advocating for refugees. Visit the <u>webpage map tool</u> to learn about events in your community. Make sure to highlight local events by filling fill out this form: http://bit.ly/RWEventReg.
- 7. **Support organizations** that help immigrants and refugees, including <u>Catholic Charities</u> and agencies which provide social services or <u>legal services</u>