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I support DACA

A list of resources about what you can do to help dreamers

DREAMers are everywhere. If you know any local DREAMers, make sure they know they have your support. Ask them specifically if there is anything you can do to help. Please let them know that Puente is here to help DREAMers on the South Coast, even by providing assistance with filing fees.

1. Calling Our Legislators!

You can call your legislators and the White House directly. Here's a little more information on how to do it.

Call, mail or e-mail your Representative

It is now up to Congress to fix this problemIt is up to your representatives in Congress to secure the futures of DACA recipients with a legislative fix: A clean DREAM Act bill that supports a pathway to citizenship and does not leverage other family members(S.1615 (Senate) / H.R.3440 (House of Representatives).

U.S. Senators for California

We have two California Senators, Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris, both Democrats.

Feinstein, Dianne - (D - CA)

331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington DC 20510

Phone: (202) 224-3841 Local: (415) 393-0707

Email: www.feinstein.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/e-mail-me

Harris, Kamala D. - (D - CA)

112 Hart Senate Office Building Washington DC 20510

Phone: (202) 224-3553

Local: Phone (415) 355 - 9041

Email: www.harris.senate.gov/content/contact-senator

U.S. Representatives for our 18th Congressional District

Anna Eshoo (D)

241 Cannon Building Washington, D.C. 20515 Telephone: (202) 225-8104

Fax: (202) 225-8890 Local: (650) 323-2984

Email: https://eshoo.house.gov/contact/

Contact the President:

Yes, you can do that!

You can email the White House at https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/

Phone number for comments: 202-456-1111

Switchboard (to be connected to specific committees or people): 202-456-1414

Or you can send postal mail to:

The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Here's a sample script for calling or emailing the President about DACA:

What do I say?

My name is ______. I am appalled by your decision to terminate protections for 800,000 DACA beneficiaries who pay taxes, attend our colleges and universities, and contribute to our communities as doctors, lawyers, teachers, social workers and business owners. Such a decision could reduce the U.S. GDP by more than \$400 billion over the next decade. I urge you and Congress to work to pass a legislative solution that will ensure the protection of those affected by your decision to terminate DACA."

2. Be active in social media

Spread the word about DACA by tweeting #IStandWithDaca or <u>#DefendDACA</u>, posting on your Facebook and other social media accounts.

<u>Here</u> is a link to just one of the organizations that is targeting certain members of Congress who might be swing votes for the DREAM Act via social media. https://dreamacttoolkit.org

Another way to use social media for advocacy is to search for the social media accounts of organizations that you think are doing good work and retweet or repost their images and messages to boost their message. Feel free to share Puente posts!

You also can directly message/post/tag/tweet at your representatives and the President. Some will respond and some will not.

Remember that social media is PUBLIC RECORD. So don't say anything you wouldn't say in public.

3. Take to the streets

Make your voice heard physically by attending or organizing a rally or march against the end of DACA. In times of struggle, coming together as a community is very important. Gather friends, family, and neighbors to march against harmful Administration policies.

United We Dream maintains a calendar of actions and demonstrations. At https://unitedwedream.org/action/join-us/,

4. Volunteer

All hands will be needed to support Dreamers in the days and months ahead. Call Puente at 650.879.1691 to discuss volunteer options.

5. Protect Yourself from Immigration Raids

Are you prepared if Immigration & Customs Enforcement agents approach you? Download your Deportation Defense Card to Know Your Rights. https://unitedwedream.org/thank-deportation-defense-card-handy-phone/

6. Give

Support organizations that are fighting in Washington, DC to have new legislation introduced in Congress and also support the local organizations that are on the ground supporting youth affected by the termination of the DACA program.

Here is a list of organizations suggested by the Latino Community Foundation.

https://latinocf.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/LCF-List-of-Organizations-Advocacy-Organizing.pdf <u>Donate to Puente de la Costa Sur.</u> Your donation to Puente will go directly to support Dreamer Filing Fees. https://mypuente.org or by check to PO Box 554, Pescadero CA 94060

7. Resources

The National Immigration Law Center (NILC) is one of the leading organizations in the U.S. exclusively dedicated to defending and advancing the rights of immigrants with low income. Their website continues numerous DACA resources. .https://www.nilc.org/issues/daca/

United We Dream provides tools and resources for its affiliates and supporters, to help with advocacy and direct service work. United We Dream Tool Kit:

https://unitedwedream.org/toolbox/

Trump Continues His Attack on Immigrants—What You can do to Defend DACA: https://www.indivisibleguide.com/resource/tell-senator-defend-daca-support-durbin-graham-dream-act/

https://5calls.org - an app automatically calls the right people. It includes a sample script for various issues and you can set it to call every day.

Use GovTrack to find out who represents you in Congress and what bills they have sponsored: https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members

https://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm - contact info for all the Senators

<u>https://www.house.gov/representatives/#state_ca</u> – contact info for all of the House of Representatives

Find your Representative (by Zip Code) here: https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members