

20 DAYS OF ACTION FOR DREAMERS

EVERYDAY PEACEMAKERS STAND IN FRONT OF THE BULLDOZERS THAT ARE FLATTENING PEOPLE.

- 1. Research the history and impact of DACA asking the question: What is DACA and who does it impact?
- 2. Watch Global Immersion Webinar "**Life with an Expiration Date**: a Human & Political Perspective on DACA" here. (password: peacemaking) You can even host a viewing party at your home, work or church.
- 3. Learn how many DACA recipients are in your county and state using this interactive map.
- 4. Learn more about the undocumented experience of Dreamers and their families. Here are a few options to start with:
 - a. WATCH: A Dreamer's Journey to Mexico and Back.
 - b. WATCH: <u>UndocuJoy</u>, <u>published by Define American</u>
 - c. READ: "Why We Need To Recognize Undocumented Peoples' Power" by Yosimar Reyes
 - d. NYTimes Wall of Dreamer Stories
- 5. Process one of these stories asking the questions:
 - a. Why haven't I had the eyes to see this person until now?
 - b. What is my responsibility now that I have seen?
- 6. Look up your legislators here and read your legislators' stance on DACA.
- 7. Call your legislators and either thank them for supporting Dreamers or urge them to support Dreamers.
- 8. Call, email or tweet Paul Ryan and Mitch McConnell asking them to allow a resolution for DACA to be brought to the floor.
- 9. Pray for your legislators to support just laws that reflect restorative practices like a clean Dream Act for DACA recipients.
- 10. Begin to tell the stories you've learned as a way to humanize DACA recipients among your family, friends and community.
- 11. Post one of the stories you've learned on social media; use: #wevaluedreamers.
- 12. Ask the leaders of your faith community if they understand DACA and what your community is doing to care for those impacted.
- 13. Connect with an Immigrant Rights coalition in your city.
- 14. Identify an action taking place in your city (ex: rally, march, meeting) in support of Dreamers. Attend the event.
- 15. Educate yourself on the economic impact of DACA recipients <u>here.</u>
- 16. Host a prayer gathering with some of your friends or church and spend time praying for DACA recipients in your community & for the elected officials deciding their fate.
- 17. Find an organization working with DACA recipients in your city and invest in their work financially.
- 18. Understand how Dreamers in the border region are currently impacted and what a wall and additional border enforcement would mean for them and their families here.
- 19. Make a short video of yourself explaining why you support Dreamers and a path to legal status and share it on social media.
- 20. If you live close to a university, research the on-campus Dreamer's group and ask how you can learn/help. Offer to provide a meal for their next meeting.

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