

National Legalization Campaign

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We need:

- a comprehensive legalization program which not only addresses the need to provide options for legalization for current immigrants, but which also takes into account future immigration flows.
- significant immigration reforms that impact legal status, including resolutions to address the backlog of pending applications for immigration visas and citizenship, access to adjustment of status and opportunities for family reunification, and unfair political asylum and deportation processes –along with other impediments to acquiring and maintaining permanent residency.
- to promote and enforce policies that defend and protect workers' rights, including the elimination of employer sanctions, adequate resources for the enforcement of labor law, freedom to form unions to improve wages and working conditions, whistleblower protections, and equal rights and protections under labor law
- to protect human rights in the enforcement of immigration laws, in particular at the U.S.-Mexico border and to end the militarization of border policing
- to eliminate criminal prosecution for unlawful entry and re-entry
- to oppose policies that undermine the rights of one group in favor of another
- to implement foreign policies that address the root causes of migration, taking into consideration free trade agreements and global economic realities.

National Legalization Campaign Coordinating Committee

American Friends Service Committee
Association for Residency and Citizenship in the Americas
CAAAY: Organizing Asian Communities (New York, NY)
Campaign for a Sustainable Milwaukee (Milwaukee, WI)
Caribbean Empowerment Program of New Jersey
CAUSA (Oregon state-wide coalition)
Center for Third World Organizing (Oakland, CA)
Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (Los Angeles, CA)
Comite del Valle San Joaquin Para la Amnestia (Fresno, CA)
Filipino Civil Rights Advocates
Haitian Women for Haitian Refugees (New York, NY)
Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
Immigration Law Enforcement Monitoring Project of the American Friends Service Committee
Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights (CA statewide)
Korean Immigrant Workers' Association (Los Angeles, CA)
Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition
National Campaign for Jobs and Income Support
National Immigration Law Center
National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers' Guild
National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights
Northern California Coalition for Immigrant Rights (CA)
Rights for All People (Denver, CO)
Salvadoran-American National Network
Service Employees International Union
Texas Coalition for Amnesty and Dignity (statewide)
Texas Immigrant and Refugee Coalition (statewide)
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