

How you can SUPPORT IMMIGRANT FAMILIES IN CRISIS

Contact your Senators and Representatives at 202.224.3121 (Congressional Switchboard) and request their support to keep immigrant families together and out of prison, to ensure that the federal government is acting in the best interest of children and vulnerable adults.

Email your Senators and Congressional Representative.

Look up **Elizabeth Warren** and **Ed Markey** at www.senate.gov.

Click on “Find Your Representative” at www.house.gov, and enter your zip code. This should take you to a screen that identifies who your Representative is and how to get in touch with him or her.

Request their support for legislation to **keep families together and out of prison.**

Ask your senators and representative to **arrive unannounced at local detention centers** and demand access to detainees so conditions can be documented.

Remind your senators and representative **not to forget about the 2,300 children** already separated from their families so that they can be reunited as quickly as possible.

Attend a Jericho Walk at the Burlington ICE facility.

NEXT WALK: Tue., June 26, 8:00 AM at 10 District Ave in Burlington

This walk is organized by Na'aseh, social justice group of Congregation Beth Elohim in Acton (socialaction@bethelohim.org).

The Jericho Walk is a silent interfaith prayer and act of solidarity that draws inspiration from the Battle of Jericho, in which the community marched around the city of Jericho seven times, causing the city walls to fall. The Jericho Walk of today is a silent, peaceful, and prayerful walk to bring down the walls of our unjust immigration system and is open to people of all or no faiths. The messages for the walk are “Let Our Neighbors Stay” and “Keep Families Together.”

We encourage you to bring signs consistent with these messages but your participation is the most important message. By showing up, you commit to: follow the instructions of our marshals during the walk, remain peaceful, and refrain from carrying signs with any political party, candidate or elected official's name on them.

March in a #FamiliesBelongTogether march being planned on June 30th in Washington, DC, Boston, and multiple other cities.

Even with the President's Executive Order signed on June 20, many questions remain as to the fate of Central American immigrants and asylum seekers.

Support the people around you who are distressed, despairing, afraid, and/or numb.

Encourage those who can to take action.

Get the word out on your social media accounts to raise awareness of the atrocities that are currently happening.

ORGANIZATIONS YOU CAN SUPPORT

that are assisting immigrant families in crisis (in alphabetical order)

Al Otro Lado (www.alotrolado.org)

a binational organization that works to offer legal services to deportees and migrants in Tijuana, Mexico, including deportee parents whose children remain in the U.S.

CARA (www.caraprobono.org)

a consortium of the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, the American Immigration Council, the Refugee and Immigrant Center for Education and Legal Services, and the American Immigration Lawyers Association that provides legal services at family detention centers.

Circle of Health International (www.cohintl.org)

staffs a clinic caring for refugees and asylum seekers immediately upon their release.

The Florence Project (www.firrp.org)

an Arizona project offering free legal services to men, women, and unaccompanied children in immigration custody.

Kids in Need of Defense (www.supportkind.org)

works to ensure that kids do not appear in immigration court without representation and lobbies for policies that advocate for children's legal interests.

The Legal Aid Justice Center (www.justice4all.org)

a Virginia-based center providing unaccompanied minors legal services and representation.

Pueblo Sin Fronteras (www.pueblosinfronteras.org)

an organization that provides humanitarian aid and shelter to migrants on their way to the U.S.

RAICES

(www.raicestexas.org)

the largest immigration nonprofit in Texas offering free and low-cost legal services to immigrant children and families.

Together Rising

(www.togetherrising.org)

a Virginia-based organization helping to provide legal assistance for migrant children who were separated from their parents

Women's Refugee Commission

(www.womensrefugeecommission.org)

advocates for the rights and protection of women, children, and youth fleeing violence and persecution.

LEGAL AID FOR IMMIGRANT FAMILIES IN CRISIS IN NEW ENGLAND

Community Legal Services and Counseling Center (www.clsacc.org)

Greater Boston Legal Services (www.gbls.org)

Massachusetts Law Reform Institute (www.mlri.org)