



LULAC SUPPORTS THE BRIDGE ACT TO PROTECT DREAMERS FROM DEPORTATION

- ❖ LULAC supports the passage of legislation like the BRIDGE Act (S.128/H.R. 496) championed by Senators Lindsey Graham (R-SC) and Richard Durbin (D-IL) which would protect DACA-eligible DREAMERS from deportation. Companion legislation is spearheaded in the House by Representatives Mike Coffman (R-CO) and Luis Gutierrez (D-IL).

LULAC OPPOSES THE CONSTRUCTION OF ANY WALL ON THE U.S.-MEXICO BORDER

- ❖ LULAC expresses strong support for two legislative proposals to stop the construction of the wall on the U.S.-Mexico border – H.R. 837, *Build Bridges Not Walls Act* (Rep. Michelle Lujan-Grisham) and H.R. 739, the *This Land Is Our Land* (Rep. Adriano Espaillat).

LULAC OPPOSES EFFORTS TO REPEAL OR DEFUND DACA AND REPEAL BIRTHRIGHT CITIZENSHIP

- ❖ LULAC opposes any legislative or administrative change that would rescind President Obama's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.
- ❖ LULAC opposes any efforts to repeal birthright citizenship.

LULAC CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE HALT TO ANY DEPORTATION RAIDS OF CENTRAL AMERICANS

- ❖ LULAC calls for an immediate end to the deportation raids being executed by Immigration and Customs Enforcement targeting Central American migrants. Unaccompanied minors and any migrants fleeing violence, poverty, and instability in Latin America should be treated as refugees.
- ❖ LULAC opposes making changes to the Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 that would make it easier to deport refugee children.

LULAC SUPPORTS REPEAL OF DETENTION BED QUOTA IN DHS APPROPRIATION BILLS

- ❖ DHS appropriations bill include language funding over 34,000 ICE detention beds. Quota forces ICE to detain and lock up immigrants. Congress should strike that language from funding bills. LULAC supports legislation like the *Justice is Not For Sale Act of 2015* which would repeal the detention bed quota.

THE LULAC IMMIGRATION PLAN

IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION MUST INCLUDE:

- ❖ A reasonable, realistic and legal path to citizenship, which guarantees the same benefits and rights granted to native-born citizens, to avoid the creation of a 2nd class citizenry;
- ❖ Legislation that supports strong family reunification standards;
- ❖ Create an effective and practical process for enough future workers to come to the United States to meet the needs of the low and high skilled job sectors of the economy, while ensuring strong worker protections;
- ❖ Legislation that provides agricultural employers with a stable, legal labor force while protecting farmworkers from exploitative working conditions;
- ❖ Legislation that allows undocumented immigrant children who have completed high school and are of good moral character to serve in the military or be admitted to colleges and universities as residents and eligible for in-state tuition, leading to citizenship; and
- ❖ Legislation that addresses our enforcement needs in a manner that is just, and consistent with our existing due process and civil rights laws.