

DEFEND DACA

Dreamers Deserve a Pathway to Citizenship

BACKGROUND

The DACA program was created in 2012 by President Obama. In late June 2017, Texas' Attorney General along with Attorneys General from eight other states (AL, AR, KS, LA, NE, SC, TN, WV) and the Governor of Idaho sent a letter to U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions threatening to sue and requested that the DACA program be declared illegal unless the government phases out the program by September 5th.

Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced on September 5, 2017 that the Trump administration will end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. DACA has protected approximately 800,000 undocumented youth from deportation, and has allowed them to attend school, work, and contribute more fully to our nation.

No new applications for DACA will be accepted. The administration will accept renewal applications before October 5, 2017 for DACA recipients whose deferred action expires before March 5, 2018.

RAISE YOUR VOICE

Now, more than ever, Congress must pass the DREAM Act to provide relief for DACA recipients who trusted our government, and now will be at risk of being deported once the program has ended. **We need your help to make sure Congress acts to protect immigrant youth:**

1. [Call your Senators and Members of Congress](#). Tell them to support the DREAM Act
2. Call Speaker of the House Paul Ryan (202) 225-0600 and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (202) 224-2541 and ask them to bring the DREAM Act up for a vote.

Follow this short script to make the call today:

Hi, my name is _____. I am a constituent of _____. I want Senator/Representative _____ to pass a clean DREAM Act now!

DACA was a good common sense policy and now that the administration has ended DACA, you need to fulfill the government's promise to these immigrant youth.