



June 15, 2022

**President Joseph R. Biden**  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20510

**The Honorable Nancy Pelosi**  
Speaker of the House United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20510

**The Honorable Chuck Schumer**  
Majority Leader United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

**The Honorable Mitch McConnell**  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

**The Honorable Kevin McCarthy**  
Minority Leader  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear President Biden, Leader Schumer, Leader McConnell, Speaker Pelosi and Leader McCarthy:

As the nation marks the 10th anniversary of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)—a policy that has provided advancement in education and career opportunities for many—we, as leaders of businesses, higher education organizations, colleges and universities, civil liberty groups, and nonprofits that advocate for DACA recipients—urge you to immediately pass legislation that offers a pathway to citizenship for our nation's 2 million Dreamers.

On July 6, The Fifth Circuit Court will hear oral arguments on a case that will determine DACA's future. While we remain uncertain on how the Court will rule, immigrant youth and DACA recipients are forced once again to grapple with the instability, uncertainty and anxiety inherent in a temporary program like DACA. Only Congress can avert the devastation that this Court decision and a subsequent U.S. Supreme Court ruling striking DACA would undoubtedly cause.

DACA's success has unleashed the economic potential of almost 800,000 people, allowing them to contribute to our economy, start families, buy homes, access healthcare, build businesses and bring their talents to the industry sectors where they're most needed. Three-quarters of DACA participants in the workforce—[343,000 people](#)—are essential workers. Of those, [34,000](#) provide healthcare services and [11,000](#) work tirelessly to keep our hospital and clinic facilities up and running. As our nation faces a teacher shortage, there are [20,000 educators](#) who are DACA recipients working with kids in classrooms

across the country. About [100,000](#) DACA recipients work in the nation's food supply chain, in roles that are more important than ever.

But for too long, DACA participants have been vulnerable to government indecision, sparking anxiety, instability and legal limbo in their lives. And DACA's strict timeframes omit thousands of individuals who need it. More than [427,000](#) undocumented students are currently enrolled in postsecondary institutions, and of these, [fewer than half \(181,000\)](#) are DACA-eligible. Similarly, every year, approximately [100,000](#) undocumented students graduate U.S. high schools, but only [one quarter](#) are DACA-eligible.

DACA has been a transformative program for both its recipients and the country, demonstrating why expanding opportunities for immigrants is good for all of America—but it's not enough. Now is the time to build on the successes of DACA and pass bipartisan legislation that provides a path to citizenship to DACA recipients, undocumented immigrant youth, and other Dreamers. The future of our country depends on it.

Sincerely,

American Business Immigration Coalition  
FWD.us  
National Immigration Law Center  
Pre-Health Dreamers  
Presidents' Alliance on Higher Education and Immigration  
TheDream.US  
United We Dream

10,000 Degrees  
Access College Foundation  
Advancing Latinas into Leadership  
African Public Affairs Committee  
Alabama Possible  
ALL In Education  
America's Voice  
American Federation of Teachers (AFT)  
Antioch College  
Arizona Technology Council  
Asian American Christian Collaborative  
Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities  
Border Angels  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Dane County

Breakthrough Central Texas  
Casa de Venezuela-Orlando  
CASA/ CASA in Action  
Catalyst Miami  
Catalyst Miami  
Catholic Coalition for Migrant Justice  
Center for Houston's Future  
Charleston Hispanic Association  
Church World Service  
Cleveland Jobs with Justice  
ClimbNY  
Coalition on Human Needs  
College Bound St. Louis  
College Now Greater Cleveland  
College Track  
CollegeTracks  
Disciples Refugee & Immigration Ministries  
Edu-Futuro  
Employer Name  
Families Rights Network  
Family Action Network Movement  
FANM In Action  
Farmworker Association of Florida  
Fellowship Southwest  
First Focus Campaign for Children  
Florida Immigrant Coalition Inc.  
Foothill-De Anza Community College District  
Frontera de Cristo  
Globe Products Co., Inc.  
Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce  
Greenwich Country Day School  
Higher Heights Youth Empowerment Programs, Inc.  
Hispanic Federation  
Hispanic League  
Hispanic Unity of Florida  
HospitalityMaine  
Ibarra Strategy Group  
Idaho Dairywomen's Association, Inc.  
Immigrant Alliance for Justice and equity  
ImmSchools

Improve The Dream  
Insure America Project  
Irving Hispanic Chamber of Commerce  
Jewish Community Relations Council of Phoenix  
KIPP Public Schools  
Latino Leaders Network  
Latino U College Access  
Los Angeles United Methodist Urban Foundation  
Luke's Lobster  
Mi Familia Vota  
MomsRising / MamásConPoder  
Mormon Women for Ethical Government  
Mota Enterprises LLC  
National Association of Colleges And Employers  
National College Attainment Network  
National Council of Jewish Women  
National Latino Evangelical Coalition  
Neighbors Link  
New York Immigration Coalition  
NM Comunidades en Accion y de Fe (NM CAFe)  
North Texas Commission  
Notorious Flooring  
OneGoal  
Our Children Oregon  
RAICES  
Refugee Aid  
Retail Association of Maine  
Scale LLP  
SoCal CAN  
Social Work Consultants  
South Carolina Small Business Chamber of Commerce  
South East Dairy Farmers Association  
Southern Border Communities Coalition  
Southern College Attainment Network  
St.Germain  
State Business Executives  
Sundt Construction  
Teach For America  
TechNexus Venture Collaborative  
The Borderplex Alliance

The Brand Building Shop  
The Opportunity Network  
The Resurrection Project  
Their Story Is Our Story  
True Ridge  
Uncage and Reunite Families Coalition  
UnidosUS  
University of New England  
University of Pennsylvania  
Up2Us To Act, Inc.  
Venezuelan American Alliance, Inc  
Virginia Coalition for Immigrant Rights  
Voices For Utah Children  
Walker Wilson Consulting  
Westchester Jewish Coalition for Immigration  
Wind of the Spirit Immigrant Resource Center  
Wisconsin Restaurant Association  
Women with Broken Heals  
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