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DACA Decision Month

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- Causa Oregon
- Home Is Here Oregon
- Oregon Department of Education



Presentation Overview

Today's Agenda

- Message from Director Colt Gill – ODE
- Causa Oregon
- Home Is Here Oregon
- Q&A Session
- Oregon Department of Education





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Home is Here Oregon Coalition



- The purpose of the Home is Here Oregon Coalition is to respond and coordinate around a SCOTUS decision on DACA.
- The Home is Here Oregon Coalition is led by directly impacted individuals and supported by community organizations, educators, legal service providers, labor unions, members of congress and other groups united to protect and empower our Undocumented/DACAmented/TPS community.

Community Organizations & Groups



Home is Here Oregon Goals



1. Spotlight what's at stake for over 700,000 DACA recipients
2. Expand & strengthen community educational and wellness efforts with student leaders, community organizations, and allies in support of Dreamers, TPS Holders and the immigrant community.
3. Address potential negative Supreme Court decision on the Dreamers, TPS Holders and the immigrant community.

Home is Here Oregon Workgroups

01	Wellness/Emotional	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creation of spaces to process emotions & healing• Compile resources for wellness
02	Legal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family plans/ KYRs• Deportation Defense• Encourage DACA renewals
03	Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analysis of state laws around education• School policies and practices
04	Labor/ Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employment laws protecting TPSianos/DACAistas• LLC & Contracting workshops
05	Communications/ Narrative	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prepare spokespeople• 24- hour response plan
06	Organizing/Coalition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coordination and mobilizing• Prepare actions



Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)

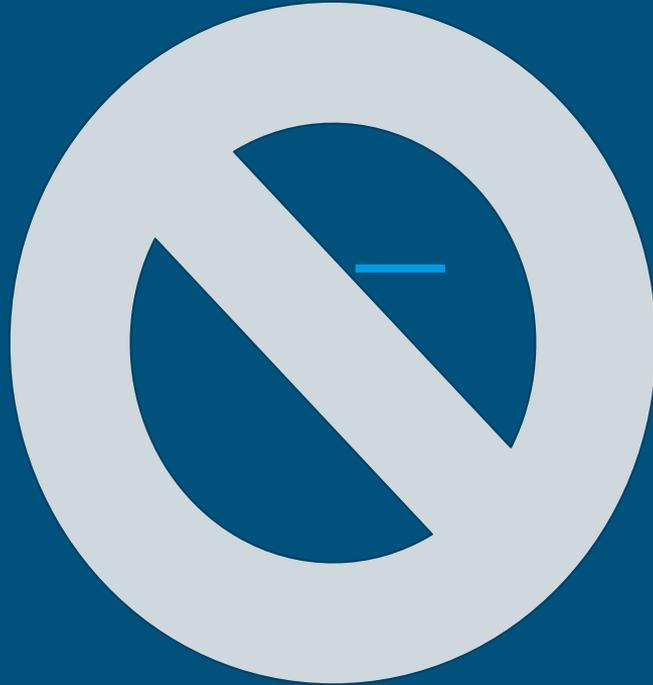


What is DACA?

- The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) is a policy in which the U.S. Department of ~~Homeland Security~~ (DHS) would no longer be able to deport certain undocumented young people. Under DACA, these individuals would:
 - Become eligible for a work permit, which is valid for two years;
 - Gain temporary permission to remain in the United States;
 - Have the opportunity to renew their work permit.
- In consequence, DACA:
 - Has been incredibly successful in terms of temporarily protecting individuals from deportation;
 - Has allowed the opportunity to 700,000 young people to work legally in the USA.



What is DACA NOT ?



What is not DACA?

- DACA is NOT a pathway to citizenship. DACA is only a temporary fix.
- Advocates argue that this temporary fix is NOT enough .
- DACA was not meant to be a permanent policy.
- DACA does not provide a path to Permanent Residency.



DACA SCOTUS DECISION



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DACA SCOTUS DECISION: Best Case Scenario, Victory!

SCOTUS ruled DACA is lawful and the administration did not provide sufficient reason to rescind it, making the rescission “arbitrary and capricious.”

- This means DACA is reinstated and possibly new applications have to be accepted again.
- The Trump administration still has authority to rescind DACA again and will likely do so as soon as possible, just more carefully with reasons in keeping with the Court’s ruling.
 - Waiting for USCIS to release process for new applications.
 - **People who already have DACA may apply to renew it.**
 - **RENEW, RENEW, RENEW!**

Facts on DACA -

- In Oregon, DACA has allowed nearly 11,300 young people to come forward, pass background checks, and live and work legally in the country.
- Nearly \$2 billion is contributed by Dreamers to Social Security annually
- Nearly \$470 million is paid into Medicare by Dreamers every year
- Up to \$1 trillion added to the U.S. GDP over a decade if permanent protections for Dreamers are passed
- 96% of Dreamers are either working or in school
- 60% of Dreamers have purchased a vehicle.
- 14% of Dreamers have purchased their own home, and they pay an estimated \$380 million in property taxes every year.

SOURCE: <https://www.fwd.us/news/daca-facts/>

What Is still at Stake?

- It is estimated that DACA recipients are:
 - 43,500 healthcare workers.
 - 21,100 operate in transportation and warehousing.
 - 32,800 are employed in retail trade.
 - 14,500 work in the manufacturing sector.
 - 13,300 work in support and waste management services.

<https://cmsny.org/daca-essential-workers-covid/>

Elected members who have vocalized Support



Representative
Earl
Blumenauer



Representative
Peter DeFazio



Senator Ron
Wyden



Representative
Suzanne
Bonamici



Senator Jeff
Merkley



Governor
Kate Brown



Rep. Teresa
Alonso Leon

Members of Congress who Vocalized Support



Statement from U.S. Representative Earl Blumenauer:

“Today’s Supreme Court decision on DACA stated that Trump and his administration acted in bad faith, which is not much of a surprise. While this verdict is a good thing, we must stay focused on what is important - true and comprehensive immigration reform that respects human dignity and allows for a pathway to citizenship.”



Statement from U.S. Representative Kurt Schrader:

“Today’s Supreme Court decision is a huge win for our Dreamers. These young folks contribute so much to our economy and communities and now they have certainty in their lives for the first time in years. I am celebrating alongside Dreamers and their families today. However, there is more to be done. I urge the Senate to take up the bipartisan American Dream and Promise Act that has already passed the House to permanently solidify their status.”

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES ASK

Request Support for Undocumented Students and their Families such as:

1. Increase community supports and have culturally relevant curriculum and training for educators and staff to address and aid undocumented students in K-post secondary education.
2. Change your school or campus to be a sanctuary of safety.
3. Reallocate the school resource officer program funding to create a task force to develop appropriate trauma informed and culturally-sensitive restorative practices
4. Demand and support local campaigns demanding that city, county or state officials create sanctuary policies to keep residents safe.
5. Join the Home is Here Oregon Coalition for the support and advocacy of Dreamers, TPS Recipients and the immigrant community after a scotus decision.

Educational Institutions Resources

- [United We Dream #HereToStay K12 & Higher Education Educators & Schools](#)
- [Pathways to Scholarship Dreamer's Program 9 -- Post Secondary Education](#)
- [Oregon immigration resource page](#)

Resources:



[Causa's 24 Hour Response Plan](#) regarding a SCOTUS Decision on DACA



[Causa Immigration Resources](#)



[Oregon DACA Coalition](#)



[PCC DREAMers Resource Center](#)
[PCC #Support DREAMers Student](#)



[Dreaming Beyond Borders Resource Center](#)



[Pacific University Office of Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion](#)



[SOAR Immigration Legal Services](#)



[Centro Cultural of Washington County](#)



[The Immigrant Solidarity Project](#)



[Immigration Counseling Services](#)



[Mexican Consulate Protection Department](#)



[PECUN](#)



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Not a complete list. Several organizations around the state are actively engaging in actions and plans to support DACA recipients and the undocumented community.

OR Founders Collaborative, Latino Policy Council, Hillsboro School District, Forest Grove School District, Bienestar, Community Action, PCC Office of Grants Writing, PCC Office of Equity and Inclusion, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, Equity Corps of Oregon, IMrJ, etc.

COVID-19: Impact on our Communities

COVID-19 has had an impact on all of us, but especially immigrants and refugees. The HEROES Act take these individuals into account and includes

- Provide free COVID-19 testing, treatment, and services for ALL, regardless of immigration status.
- Cash payments and expanded Unemployment Insurance must go to all people, including immigrants who pay taxes using an ITIN (Individual Tax Identification Number).
- Automatically extend work permits for DACA recipients & TPS holders to ensure people have stability and the ability to stay safe.
- End policies and practices that increase fear among immigrants and prevent them from accessing treatment or services, including the **public charge rule** and enforcement.
- Invest more funds in emergency child care relief for families and care workers

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DACAmented/Undocumented Toolkit Updates

DACAmented/Undocumented Toolkit

- Background on DACA
- Action Guide
- Communication Samples
- Best Practice Considerations for Policy and Practice
- Civil Rights/First Amendment Educator Guidance and Lesson Plans
- Additional Supporting Resources

Here to Help

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Q&A Session



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