

HAPPY
BLACK HISTORY
MONTH



The Bridge

Black History Month | Toolkit (UPDATED 2.24.22)

We support Black-led organizations and the tireless efforts of Black immigrant organizers, attorneys, and activists. This toolkit will be used throughout the month of February and will be updated WEEKLY with fresh content, news, tweetstorms, and graphics.

During this Black History Month, we want to highlight the ongoing mistreatment and expulsions of Haitians and other Black immigrants, refugees, and asylees who are coming to the U.S. seeking safety. Black immigrants asylum claims are less likely to be approved. Further, they are more likely to be detained than the immigrant population overall and their bonds are significantly higher. This is the main reason why Haitian Bridge Alliance and African Bureau of immigration and Social Affairs (ABISA) co-founded the [Black Immigrants Bail Fund](#) in 2020.

Black lives are often overlooked in immigration spaces due to the anti-Blackness and racism embedded in every system in society. We're asking for justice and an immigration system that respects Black lives. JOIN SOME OF THE CALLS TO ACTION THROUGHOUT THE MONTH:

- **TPS FOR CAMEROON ([PETITION](#))**
- **RESTORE ASYLUM! END TITLE 42 AND REMAIN IN MEXICO - [EMAIL BIDEN](#)**
- **DONATE TO THE [BLACK IMMIGRANT BAIL FUND](#)**
- **END TITLE 42 - [CONGRESSIONAL ACTION](#)**

ACCOUNTS TO UPLIFT:

- [@UndocuBlack](#)
- [@AfricansUS](#)
- [@BAJItweet](#)
- [@HaitianBridge](#)
- [@OfficialBLMP](#)
- [@CamAdvocacy](#)
- [@CamAmerCouncil](#)
- [@AfricanAdvocac1](#)
- [@african_bureau](#)

HASHTAG: #ImmigrationIsABlackIssue

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NEW! ARTICLES TO SHARE

- [Black immigrants are more likely to be denied US citizenship than White immigrants.](#)
- [Migrants Have Right to Truth Commission and Reparations for Abuses at US Border](#)
- [US-deported Cameroonians suffered serious rights violations: HRW](#)
- [Trump Sent Asylum Seekers Back Into “the Depths of Hell” – Mother Jones](#)
- [Report finds the US deported Cameroonian asylum seekers to torture back home](#)

SAMPLE COPY

- Almost 200 ICE Air flights to #Haiti since Sept 19 expelling nearly 20,000 people back to danger: Read latest report on ICE Air deportations: <https://witnessattheborder.org/posts/em4xm48ipcx8q9dqni0bvn5sl1n17>
- The continued deportation flights to Haiti are clear examples of the continued external violence & destabilization of a country in deep political turmoil, plagued by extreme violence & natural disasters. We can and must do better as we celebrate #BlackHistoryMonth. @HaitianBridge
- It's time to end racist policies like Title 42 and treat Black migrants with Dignity.
- Black Immigrant lives matter
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- Black immigrants face anti-Black racism while also having to navigate racist immigration policies . #FamiliesBelongTogether and that includes Black families.
- It's time to stop erasing Black immigrants, refugees, and asylees out of conversations around immigration. Immigrant justice IS racial justice. 🤝🤝🤝🤝🤝
- Our immigration system is a reflection of the anti-Blackness and racism that runs rampant in our criminal justice system. #ImmigrationisBlackIssue #BlackLivesMatter

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- The @blackimmigrantsbf was created by @haitianbridge & @africanbureau to combat the racism and unusual and cruel punishments faced by Black migrants in detention centers. During #BHM, please help support their work: bit.ly/3odbK4m
- The Black Immigrants Bail Fund was created to combat the racism and unusual and cruel punishments faced by Black migrants in detention centers. During #BHM show your support and donate to the fund. #BlackImmigrantLivesMatter bit.ly/3odbK4m
- Black migrants are most likely to be detained at significantly higher bonds than migrants of other groups. During #BHM we're calling for an immigration system that allows people to seek safety. DONATE HERE: bit.ly/3odbK4m
- On avg, Black migrants serve the longest length of time in detention & are 6X more likely to be placed into solitary confinement. During #BHM, donate to the Black Immigrants Bail Fund to fight back and free people: bit.ly/3odbK4m
- What our administration has done to Black families seeking safety is gut-wrenching and wrong. Our fight isn't over until we can welcome every family with dignity and compassion in the U.S. #WelcomeWithDignity #ImmigrationisaBlackIssue
- It is clear that there are issues in every aspect of the immigration system for all migrants - but those issues are only exacerbated for Black migrants. It's time the @POTUS end Title 42 and RMX and treat Black migrants with dignity.
- This #BHM, urge the Biden admin to grant TPS for the over 40K Cameroonians in urgent need of protection. Sign the petition here: cameroonadvocacynetwork.org/take-action/
- The human rights and humanitarian situation in Cameroon is dire:
 - 🚨 extrajudicial killings
 - 🚨 arbitrary detention
 - 🚨 torture
 - 🚨 targeted violence against women, LGBTQI+ people, and children

Join @camadvocacy in calling for #TPS4Cameroon now!

<https://cameroonadvocacynetwork.org/take-action>

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- Family separations STILL happen *every single day* DHS locks people up in ICE detention or deports them to danger. Join @camadvocacy in demanding they free people from ICE custody & ensure protections for immigrant communities, including #TPS4Cameroon: <https://cameroonadvocacynetwork.org/take-action>
- When we say Black Lives Matter we mean ALL Black lives. Racist and inhumane ICE detention must end. Deportations must stop. And Biden must designate #TPS4Cameroon <https://cameroonadvocacynetwork.org/take-action>
- [RT:](#) Daniel came to the US seeking protection from state violence in Cameroon. Today, he's a lawyer helping those seeking asylum and working to improve the same system that saved his life. This #BHM we honor his bravery & work.
- [RT:](#) Daniel from @HaitianBridge was an asylee seeking safety from Cameroonian state violence & is now a defender of ppl seeking asylum. Support the Black Immigrants Bail Fund this #BHM: bit.ly/3odbK4m
- [RT:](#) It is unconscionable to send back Black migrants to the dangers that they are fleeing. Tell the Biden admin it's time to #WelcomeWithDignity
- .@POTUS must do right by the Black immigrant community and end the mistreatment of migrants and this administration's racist policy of deporting refugees. It is long past time to fix our broken, anti-Black immigration system, and #welcomewithdignity.
- Investigations underway of @ICEgov abuse of "The Wrap" on deportations to Cameroon. African asylum seekers described being immobilized for hours in a "stress position." <https://undocublack.org/press-releases/2021/10/13/the-wrap-complaint>
- Since @POTUS took office, over 190 flights expelling over 19,000 people into danger in #Haiti: 1 of every 600 people there. It's time to end Title 42 and Remain in Mexico. #WelcomewithDignity
- [RT:](#) Over 150 ICE Air flights since Sept. 19 and over 190 since @POTUSinauguration expelling over 19,000 people; 1 of every 600 people in Haiti. Time to end Title 42 and Remain in MX. #ImmigrationisaBlackIssue

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- Since @POTUS inauguration the Biden administration has continued to use Title 42 to expel asylum seekers over 1 million times. End Title 42 NOW. #ImmigrationIsABlackIssue
- Today's racist immigration policies are part of a long tradition of anti-Blackness within the U.S. and beyond its shores. This #BHM we call on the Biden admin to change course.
- At a moment when America is honoring and reckoning with Black history, we cannot forget what's still a present-day reality. It's time for @POTUS to end Title 42 and end a racist immigration system that has demonized Black people for far too long.



CHALLENGING ANTI-BLACKNESS IN ASYLUM LAW & POLICY

18 FEB 2022

3 - 4 P M E T
12 - 1 P M P T

Dawn-Lyen Gardner
(Moderator)
Activist, Writer & "Queen Sugar" Actor

Guerline Jozef
Co-Founder & Executive Director, Haitian Bridge Alliance

Abongwa Roland
Cameroonian Asylum Seeker and Member of Cameroon Advocacy Network

Mirard Joseph
Haitian Asylum Seeker & Plaintiff in Haitian Bridge Alliance v. Biden

Mohamed
Ethiopian Asylum Seeker

Register: <https://bit.ly/AntiBlacknessInAsylum>

The Bridge, City Justice Action Center, WELCOME WITH DIGNITY, CAMEROON ADVOCACY NETWORK, INNOVATIVE LAW LINE, Interpretation provided from English to Haitian Creole, French & Spanish

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