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Wednesday, Feb. 10 to Friday, Feb.12

Mark Black History Month by calling for action for Black immigrants!

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Schedule of events:

Wed., Feb. 10: DED/TPS for Cameroon and Mauritania now!

Event	Time	Details or Link to Join
Organizational sign on letter: TPS/DED for Mauritania Now!	10 am ET	Organizational letter: http://bit.ly/MauritaniaTPSletter
		Sign here: http://bit.ly/2Z3EJul

Individual petition: TPS/DED for Mauritania Now!	10 am ET	Petition: http://ohioimmigrant.org/2021/02/09/tell-b iden-tps-for-mauritania-today/
Congressional briefing: TPS for Cameroon	11 am ET	Briefing information (w/ RSVP link): https://docs.google.com/document/d/10-3i 70qJ9KZTpsN0GDFptSQUB3A6cajPdUPqDdP Ced0/edit?usp=sharing Join zoom meeting: https://zoom.us/j/92919590278?pwd=NmZ4 MFhsOFpoTDAzd3lTTTZlZlMyZz09
Rally for Black Immigrant Lives!	12 pm ET	Rally address: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial, 1964 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC Facebook Event Rally toolkit: https://docs.google.com/document/ d/1T_1uETLmzm1EXSOEDQYgkKexBleaZ4ZL6 yjMW-z7SoE/edit?ts=601da165#
ABA webinar featuring Houleye Thiam, President of Mauritanian Network for Human Rights: Prison to Deportation Pipeline: Crimmigration & Black Immigrants	12 pm ET	Register here: https://americanbar.zoom.us/webinar/regist er/WNBLhBtdhSuKUZINPJWs8mA
Social media action for Black immigrants!	1 pm ET	See sample tweets in this toolkit below!
HIAS and INF webinar focusing on Sudanese and Eritrean asylum seekers to Israel: Without Status: Asylum Seekers in Israel During the COVID-19 Crisis	2 pm ET	Register here: https://secure.nif.org/Ne3oU-iivkOKjfKKk8U Kpg2?ms=HIAS
Prayer vigil hosted by the Interfaith Immigration Coalition	5 pm ET	Streaming live from: https://www.facebook.com/interfaithimmigrationcoalition

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Thurs., Feb. 11: Action for Black asylum seekers and refugees!

Event	Time	Details or Link to Join
Social media action for Black immigrants!	1 pm ET	See sample tweets in this toolkit below!
Support Black immigrant-led immigrants rights organizations!	3 pm ET	Action: Give a like on Twitter, make a donation, or whatever else you can do to directly support Black immigrant-led organizations! See a list of organizations below in this toolkit in "Resources." Sample tweet: I just donated to [insert organization's handle] for their leadership and tireless work fighting for the rights of Black immigrants! Join me! #BlackHistoryMonth #Act4BlackImms
AFSC Livestream: Join Black Immigrant AFSC staff who advocate for the rights of Black immigrants as they reflect on immigration as a Black issue and the need to amplify the stories and experiences of Black immigrants. They will speak for about 20 minutes and then take questions.	4 pm ET	Click this link to join the livestream at 4pm ET.
Report launch: A Journey of Hope: Haitian Women's Migration to Tapachula, Mexico	5:30 pm ET	Click this link to join Sample tweet: Join @HaitianBridge on FB Feb. 11 at 5:30pm EST! Learn about the experiences of 30 Haitian migrant women interviewed in Tapachula, MX, the root causes of migration, and recommendations for

		policymakers and civil society orgs in a discussion of their new report "A Journey of Hope."
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Friday, Feb. 12: End the detention and deportation of Black immigrants!

Event	Time	Details or Link to Join
Call on the White House to establish a dedicated Task Force for Black Immigrants!	9 am ET	Click here to call on the White House!: https://p2a.co/K7K44Jr Sample tweet to share campaign widely!: To meaningfully address systemic racism in America - as the #Biden admin has pledged - immigration must be included. A dedicated Task Force and resources are needed. Call on @POTUS to establish a Task Force on Black immigrants now: https://p2a.co/K7K44Jr #Act4BlackImms
Organizational sign on: Call on Biden-Harris Administration to stop deportations to Haiti now HBA and UBN	11 am ET	Read the letter here . Sign-on here . The deadline is Monday, February 15, 2021, at noon EST.
Donate to the Black Immigrants Bail Fund! ABISA & HBA	12 pm ET	Donate here: https://www.blackimmigrantsbailfund.com/ Sample tweet: Join me today in donating to the Black Immigrants Bail Fund in their mission to eradicate the mass incarceration of Black immigrants! #FreeThemAll #Act4BlackImms DONATE HERE: https://www.blackimmigrantsbailfund.com/

Press Call: Black Immigration Justice Advocates Join Rep. Omar To Discuss Ongoing Deportations, Broken Immigration System & Particular Impact on Black People	12 pm ET	DIAL IN: 877-876-9174 ; PASSCODE: "DEPORTATIONS"
Speakers:		
 Rep. Ilhan Omar (MN-05) Oluchi Omeoga, Senior National Organizer, Black LGBTQ+ Migrant Project (BLMP) Nana Gyamfi, Executive Director, Black Alliance for Just Immigration (BAJI) Guerline Jozef, Co-Founder, Haitian Bridge Alliance Daniel Tse, Organizer Asylum Task Force Coordinator, Haitian Bridge Alliance Nekessa Opoti, Black Immigrant Collective and BAJI, moderator 		
Social media action for Black immigrants!	1 pm ET	See sample tweets in this toolkit below
Wrap up, commitment, and #Act4BlackImms Virtual Art Project	Starting 3 pm ET	As we wrap up these days of action, take a moment to commit to acting for Black immigrants in 2021 and beyond. Share your commitment in the #Act4BlackImms Virtual Art Project:

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https://jamboard.google.com/d/1MvGOivXf qtg9PL LHia6UXBAByKS GxVy9ksHcZv1r8/e dit?usp=sharing

Sample tweet:

What will YOU do to #Act4BlackImms in 2021 and beyond?

Join me as we close out Black Immigrant Advocacy Week of Action and share your commitment in this virtual art project for Black immigrant lives and rights!

Share here: http://bit.ly/3rL7aJK

Sample Social Media:

Call to action: Raise awareness of issues affecting Black immigrants by tweeting at **10 am Pacific/ 1 pm Eastern** every day during the week of action!

Hashtag: #Act4BlackImms

- <u>Flyer</u>
- Graphics
- Sample tweets:

Wednesday, Feb. 10: DED/TPS for Cameroon and Mauritania now!

- Today during Black Immigrant Advocacy Week of Action, we call on @POTUS and @DHS_Secretary to use their authority to designate #TPS and #DED now to protect Black lives! #Act4BlackImms #CameroonTPS
- 40,000 Cameroonians in the U.S. are at risk of deportation to multiple ongoing conflicts in Cameroon. #TPS would safeguard people and keep families united. @DHS_Secretary must designate #CameroonTPS Now! #Act4BlackImms

- At least 3.9 million people are in need of humanitarian aid in #Cameroon and half a million are displaced by conflict. @DHS_Secretary must designate #CameroonTPS now! Learn more here: http://bit.ly/39BFmRV. #Act4BlackImms
- At least 90,000 people in #Mauritania are enslaved and yet deportations from the U.S. continue. @DHS_Secretary must designate #TPSforMauritania now and make clear the U.S. condemns slavery. #Act4BlackImms
- Ongoing human rights violations, including slavery, in #Mauritania make safe return impossible. #TPS was created to protect people from deportation to countries where their lives or freedom would be at risk and @DHSgov must designate for 18 months now! #Act4BlackImms

Thursday, Feb. 11: Action for Black asylum seekers and refugees!

- Today during Black Immigrant Advocacy Week of Action, we call on the #Biden administration to recognize and address systemic anti-Black racism within the U.S. asylum and refugee systems. #Act4BlackImms
- Seeking asylum is an internationally-recognized human right, yet far too many Black asylum seekers are denied due process, locked in detention, and eventually deported.
 @DHS_Secretary must address racism in the asylum system and transform it towards justice! #Act4BlackImms
- After years of heightened discrimination in the asylum and refugee systems,
 @DHS_Secretary must restore justice and root out white supremacy so that Black
 immigrants fleeing harm may find peace. @DHSgov #Act4BlackImms #DefendAsylum
 #RefugeesWelcome #ImmigrationIsABlackIssue
- "I fled on foot with my mother and siblings... The kindness of strangers helped us survive: from the refugee camp volunteers who taught me English to the first neighbors who welcomed me to Lancaster." #BlackHistoryMonth #Act4BlackImms https://ctt.ec/eHdpu+ [click to tweet]
- Deborah Jane, a Ugandan mother of four children and an acid attack survivor, reminds us "America closing its doors on the most vulnerable refugees would be like pushing them to die." #BlackHistoryMonth #Act4BlackImms https://cwsglobal.org/stories/deborah/ [click to tweet]
- See Additional quotes and stories for Black Refugees Social Media Posts Here

Friday, Feb. 12: End the detention and deportation of Black immigrants!

- On the last day of Black Immigrant Advocacy Week of Action, we call on the #Biden administration to immediately end the detention & deportation of Black immigrants!
 @POTUS has promised to address systemic racism in the U.S. - immigration MUST be included. #Act4BlackImms
- From the moment someone is inhumanely put in immigration detention, their health, both mental and physical, begins to deteriorate. #Act4BlackImms
- Black immigrants are more likely to be detained and deported than any other immigrant group.

We must #Act4BlackImms and end mass incarceration now! @DHS_Secretary @DHSgov #DefendAsylum #BlackLivesMatter

White House Task Force on Black Immigrants tweets:

Black immigrants and Black immigrant families are often overlooked, undercounted, and sometimes altogether erased in the U.S. debate surrounding immigration and yet are often disproportionately impacted by anti-immigrant policy or failures to act. #Act4BlackImms

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To meaningfully address systemic racism in America - as the #Biden admin has pledged - immigration must be included. A dedicated Task Force and resources are needed. Call on @POTUS to establish a Task Force on Black immigrants now: https://p2a.co/K7K44Jr#Act4BlackImms

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Diversity Visa tweet:

 Thousands of Black and African immigrants will lose their diversity visas – FOREVER – if @JoeBiden does not immediately repeal Trump's visa bans. Tell #POTUS to end PP 10014 & 10052. #Act4BlackImms

Resources:

Black immigrant-led immigrant rights organizations to support and follow:

@AfricansUS

@FANMOrg

- @HaitianBridge
- @UndocuBlack
- @OfficialBLMP
- @BAJITweet

- @MauritanianFor
- @mnbictweets
- @africanbureau1
- @CamAmerCouncil
- @Dreamdefenders

Reports, backgrounders, and other resources:

- <u>Cameroon TPS backgrounder</u>
- Mauritania history and country conditions backgrounder: COMING SOON!
- Policy Proposal: White House Task Force on Black Immigrants