

IDEAS FOR ACTION ON IMMIGRATION: WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IMMIGRATION?

In May 2025, LWVUS announced its **Unite and Rise 8.5** initiative in response to the constitutional crisis our country is facing. One of the initiative's focus areas is **Immigration and Due Process**—the inspiration for this resource list, which will be continually updated with new resources.

Unite and Rise Playbook 1 (May - July): Legal and Policy Advocacy

Unite and Rise Playbook 2 (August - October): Legal & Policy Advocacy

Every person has their own way of engaging and their own values. We hope this gives you some ideas from which to choose, as well as useful background information.

WHAT CAN YOU DO IN SAN DIEGO?

- Be a witness in immigration court: Detention Resistance: dententionresistance@gmail.com
- Help provide support to immigrant communities & families give rides, deliver food.
- See list of groups to volunteer at this link.

WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT ICE RAIDS?

- Go where raids are happening record them, protest them.
- Join others in efforts to keep ICE away from hospitals, schools, and shelters.
- Support the ACLU and its litigation to limit ICE tactics such as mask use, racial profiling.
- Post on social media about the truth and horror of ICE raids.

DONATE TO LOCAL & NATIONAL GROUPS WORKING ON LITIGATION

- ACLU of Imperial and San Diego Counties
- Organizations offering pro bono legal services
- Major national immigrant organizations

See list of SAN DIEGO IMMIGRATION NON-PROFITS at this link to our IMMIGRATION RESOURCE LIST..

GET POLITICAL

- Write emails to Senators and Congressmen in support of bipartisan policy proposals and in opposition to ICE funding and tactics.
- Thank an Attorney General or Federal judge for their work in restricting mass deportation
- Attend town halls & ask tough questions

- Participate in marches, make signs
- Join the LWVSD Immigration & Deportation Committee
- Work on or donate to key campaigns for the November 2026 election. Ask candidates tough questions about their stance on immigration.

SPEAK OUT & CHANGE THE PUBLIC NARRATIVE

- Attend public meetings. Talk with local officials or the Sheriff.
- Talk with friends & family.
- Post items on social media that express your values.

TALKING POINTS FOR THE PUBLIC NARRATIVE ON IMMIGRATION

- Immigrants have economic value and make many contributions to our country.
- Due process (the right to a fair hearing) is a right for non-citizens.

Key myths & misinformation:

- Non-citizens vote
- Immigrants are criminals
- Immigrants hurt the economy
- There is a "mandate" to deport non-criminal undocumented residents
- Bipartisan work on immigration is hopeless.

See list of MYTHS, FACTS AND SOURCES at this link.

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