

# DREAM ACT: TAKE ACTION BEFORE DECEMBER 6TH

## How do we take action?

Early December is a key time to advocate for the passage of Dream Act legislation which would provide protection and a path to citizenship for undocumented young people, including DACA recipients. Some members of Congress have expressed an interest in addressing the situation of these young people, possibly by December 6th. While not certain, it is important to send a message to Congress that we want these protections, we want them now, and we do not want them to be tied to detention or border enforcement legislation.

The Ignatian Solidarity Network and the Jesuit Conference's Office of Justice and Ecology have developed a letter to be utilized by partner schools, churches, and other groups. It is our hope that groups can commit to **hand-delivering signed letters to district/state offices of members of the U.S. House and Senate.**

### Congressional Directories:

U.S. Senate: <http://igsol.net/senate> || U.S. House: <http://igsol.net/find-rep>

## A few tips...

- **Print out copies of the letter ahead of time** and have the names of the local representative and U.S. Senators available on large signs to make it easy for signers to write the names at the top of the letter.
- **Utilize the letter signing as a way to also educate** people about the situation of undocumented young people. Use this recent testimony by Nelson Perez, a student at Brophy College Preparatory, the Jesuit high school in Phoenix to connect people more personally to the issue: <http://igsol.net/nelson-perez>.
- **Organize letter signing around already scheduled events:** in classrooms or at parish meetings, Donut Sundays, campus events, etc.
- If you know that you will have signatories from many different Congressional districts signing on to letters, **have a laptop available for people to look up their representative** at: <http://igsol.net/find-rep>.
- **For letters signed to U.S. Representatives or U.S. Senators outside of your geographical area,** you can send scanned copies to [info@ignatiansolidarity.net](mailto:info@ignatiansolidarity.net) and we will send them electronically to that member of Congress.
- **Find a way to raise awareness while you deliver the letters** — take a picture or video and post it to social media; share with your parish or campus community via web, blog, parish bulletin, or campus newspaper; etc.

**Need help or have questions? Contact the Ignatian Solidarity Network at [info@ignatiansolidarity.net](mailto:info@ignatiansolidarity.net)**