

Student Fast San José California for Immigration Reform and passage of the DREAM Act

Through this effort, students urge US Senators and the US Representatives to support the **Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act**. This act would enable and motivate more than 60,000 students who graduate each year to attend an institution of higher education and utilize their degrees once graduate. If the DREAM Act becomes enacted, undocumented students who entered the US as minors will have the opportunity to a documented status upon maintaining good moral character and completing a college degree or service in the US military. "The DREAM Act would open the doors to have an equal and fair treatment at the university I am currently attending. It would also make it possible to reach my Dream of becoming a high school teacher and be able to help my community," says an undocumented AB540 student enrolled at San José State University. This is an effort initiated by CHIRLA in Los Angeles with the kick-off event in Santa Ana, California on July 2. From Santa Ana fasters will travel to Pasadena on July 3, Bakersfield on July 4th, and San Jose on July 5th. The caravan will continue on to San Francisco on July 6 and end on July 9th. Please join us in our effort.

Demands:

1. Legalization with a path to citizenship.
2. Family reunification and no point system.
3. Full rights and protections for current and future workers
4. Restoration and protection of due process and civil rights.
5. A stop to deportations and ICE raids.
6. Enactment of the DREAM Act.

SJSU Contact: Student Advocates for Higher Education (SAHE) at SJSU

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Donations: The Northern California Foco of the National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies is serving as our fiscal agent. Please make checks out to **NCAL FOCO** and on the memo write donation to **SAHE**. If you require a tax donation receipt, please provide your contact information (name, complete address) with your donation and we will send you a receipt. Cash and in-kind donations will also be acknowledged with a receipt letter, so please include your name, address and amount of donation.

You can write Letters of support and give them to us during the fast or you can mail them directly to:

Nancy Pelosi
450 Golden Gate Avenue, 14th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94102

Zoe Lofgren
635 N. First Street, Suite B
San Jose, CA 95112

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA)
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Letters should indicate that you support the students and the demands outlined above. A hand-written letter counts for more...so please make letter writing events in your family, at work, among your friends. The more letters we can deliver the greater our show of support.

For information on the Dream Act or immigration reform legislation: Please visit the following WebPages, or let us know we will provide you with references. Contact SAHE or Prof. Curry Rodriguez and we will help you locate sources and/or references. Soon we will upload data to our own website where you can find materials of interest and useful links as well.

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA) www.chirla.org
Immigrant Legal Resource Center www.ilrc.org
National Network for Immigrant and Refugee Rights www.nnirr.org
SIREN: Services, Immigrant Rights, and Education Network www.siren-bayarea.org
National Immigration Forum www.immigrationforum.org
Central American Refugee Center (CARECEN) www.icomm.ca/carecen
Mexican American Legal Defense Fund (MALDEF) www.maldef.org
National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies www.nacccs.org