

DACA RESOURCES

SUPPORTING SAFE AND INSPIRING SCHOOLS

We believe that every Arizona school should be a safe, inspiring place for all children, regardless of their immigration status. National policy is changing, but we remain steadfast in our commitment to ensuring supportive schools where all students feel safe to pursue their dreams and contribute to the evolving Arizona that we all call home. We stand with all students – every aspiring architect, lawyer, doctor, and teacher – and we remain unwavering in helping them realize their dreams. We understand that many of our school community members have questions and fears about the recent rescission of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program and its serious implications for the DREAMers in our state. As a support organization for Arizona’s 556 public charter schools, we’ve compiled resources to support for our schools. Find them below or at <https://azcharters.org/daca-resources/>.

ARIZONA

Center for Neighborhood Leadership is comprised of community-driven projects led by organizers and community members, who identify priorities and solutions to social justice, community development, and public policy issues in their neighborhoods and schools. <http://azcnl.org/>

Living United for Change in Arizona (LUCHA) organizes Arizona’s low- and moderate-income and minority families to take action on the issues most important to them and advance the cause of social and economic justice for all. <http://www.lucaaz.org/>

In Aliento, creates community healing through art that leads to collective people power. Aliento creates art that reflects the humanity of undocumented immigrants who have been criminalized by the harsh and unjust U.S. detention and deportation system. <http://www.alientoaz.org/>

The Puente Human Rights Movement is a grassroots migrant justice organization based in Phoenix, Arizona. Puente develops, educates, and empowers migrant communities to protect and defend their families and themselves. <http://puenteaz.org/>

The Arizona Dream Act Coalition is an immigrant youth-led organization focusing on the fight for higher education and immigrant rights. <http://theadac.org/>

NATIONAL

Immigrant Legal Resource Center – Visit the Immigrant Legal Resource Center for practical resources and advice created by immigrant leaders for DACA recipients. https://www.ilrc.org/sites/default/files/resources/if_daca_ends.pdf

Visit the Informed Immigrant website, which has been set up by FWD.US to distribute information and resources as they become available. <https://www.informedimmigrant.com/resources/>

The Immigration Advocates Network provides a free, online platform in English and Spanish that confidentially screens for immigration options, know your rights and community education resources, and connects users to over 1,000 free and low-cost non-profit immigration legal service providers. <https://www.immi.org/>

Visit DefendDACA.com to learn about events in your community and other ways you can advocate for the immigrant community. <http://weareheretostay.org/>

Stand With Dreamers provides a platform to get involved and advocate for Dreamers at the federal level. <https://dreamers.fwd.us/action-center>

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Current DACA recipients will be permitted to retain both the period of deferred action and their employment authorization documents (EADs) until they expire, unless terminated or revoked, according to the Department of Homeland Security. DACA benefits are generally valid for two years from the date of issuance.

<https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/09/05/frequently-asked-questions-rescission-deferred-action-childhood-arrivals-daca>