

#RiseUpDACA #HomelsHere #WalkoutForDACA #RiseUpDACA

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<u>Topic:</u> We will be discussing the latest on the DHS DACA Memo and strategizing next steps for DACA folks from now-November.

DRC Coalition Meeting Summary

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

- Current DACA Update
 - "DACA is on the ballot in 2020" in that voting in the presidential election will be a referendum on the current administration's treatment of the DACA program
 - HS Students part of Wise Up are running an informational campaign to educate voters on DACA and register voters (Saturday. August 15th, Day of Action, "Rise for DACA" banner drops)
 - o Rosa Barrientos, <u>rbarrientos@chirla.org</u>; available for presentations
- Sacramento Update: Chris Sanchez (<u>csanchez@chirla.org</u>)
 - o Grant money coming for AB540 students; CHIRLA to send guidance to IHEs
 - Eligibility requirements unclear as of now
 - Recommendation that students make sure their contact information, including mailing address is current, in case funds are distributed via mailed checks

- Economic relief likely not moving forward for undocumented immigrants generally (\$100 million was proposed, but unlikely to be considered based on state congressional schedule and their 8/31 adjournment); proposed legislation: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB
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- Annual Retreat (virtual, to be scheduled after election)
 - Open to suggestions for content and activities; contact Melody
 - Virtual event provides the opportunity to expand and get creative
 - "Students at UC Davis are really interested in mental health and connecting to practices that can help them connect to self and explore their ancestral history and current land that they live on. This could be a workshop."
 - "I am also hearing more students ask about identity spectrum and their comfort level with being open about sharing their identity and status and exploring that power and agency and also navigating spaces where they don't feel safe to do so. The fluidity of undocumented and unafraid."
 - Session related to election debrief and what next steps are based on election results
 - Session related to activism fatigue/burnout, how to sustain self-care and prevent fatigue
 - Theme for retreat will be set in September; will be shared out with group
 - "Unraveling the Undocumented Identity" workshop offered by CHIRLA available to anyone interested; student leaders, allies, etc.
 - Workshop suggestions: "Organizing 101", reenergize the activism for new leaders; creating spaces for professionals to offer and receive support; leadership and empowerment development for students
- Civic Engagement
 - Save a Date: August 29, 10-1; civic engagement training (RSVP: https://www.mobilize.us/millionvotersproject/event/296635/), Immigrant Political Power; understanding ballot measures, prepare for general elections; non-partisan; open to all; bilingual Spanish
- Open Discussion
 - Undocu Professionals is holding a virtual conference on 9/14,
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