

HOW TO HELP IMMIGRANT FAMILIES BEING DETAINED

Suggested resources to support financially (in no particular order): Note several companies match employee donation. If your employer does this, you need to provide the tax ID of the charity you have given to, which is listed on these organizations' websites.

- Support the Julio Barahona Exodus Fund at **CLUE**, helping to free more of our siblings from the Adelanto Detention Center.

https://www.cluejustice.org/julio_barahona_exodus_fund

- Check out website for **Casa Cornelia Law Center**. They are providing pro bono assistance in this matter.

www.casacornelia.org

- **RAICES** is the largest immigration nonprofit in Texas offering free and low-cost legal services to immigrant children and families.

<https://www.raicestexas.org>

- **The Center for Gender & Refugee Studies** does excellent work.

<https://cgrs.uchastings.edu>

- The **ACLU** is litigating this policy in California.

<https://www.aclu.org>

- **Al Otro Lado** is a binational organization that works to offer legal services to deportees and migrants in Tijuana, Mexico, including deportee parents whose children remain in the U.S.

<https://alotrolado.org>

- **CARA** is a consortium of the Catholic Legal Immigration Network (**<https://cliniclegal.org>**), the **American Immigration Council** (**<http://americanimmigrationcouncil.org>**), and the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** (**<http://aila.org>**)—provide legal services at family detention centers.

- **The Florence Project** is an Arizona project offering free legal services to men, women, and unaccompanied children in immigration custody.

<https://firrp.org>

- **Human Rights First** is a national organization with roots in Houston that needs help from lawyers too.

<https://twitter.com/humanrights1st>

- **Kids in Need of Defense (KIND)** works to ensure that kids do not appear in immigration court without representation, and to lobby for policies that advocate for children’s legal interests. Donations would be appreciated. (www.supportkind.org/about). Here is a link to KIND’s publication on the broader horrible things Sessions is doing. Believe it or not, the kid separation matter is not the worst. It has just captured the public eye:

<https://supportkind.org/resources/death-by-a-thousand-cuts>

- The **Legal Aid Justice Center** is a Virginia-based center providing unaccompanied minors legal services and representation.

www.justice4all.org

- **Pueblo Sin Fronteras** is an organization that provides humanitarian aid and shelter to migrants on their way to the U.S.

www.Pueblosinfronteras.org

- The **Texas Civil Rights Project** is seeking “volunteers who speak Spanish, Mam, Q’eqchi’ or K’iche’ and have paralegal or legal assistant experience.”

<https://texascivilrightsproject.org>

- **Together Rising** is another Virginia-based organization that’s helping provide legal assistance for 60 migrant children who were separated from their parents and are currently detained in Arizona.

www.togetherrising.org

- **The Urban Justice Center’s Asylum Seeker Advocacy Project** is working to keep families together.

www.asylumadvocacy.org

- **Women’s Refugee Commission** advocates for the rights and protection of women, children, and youth fleeing violence and persecution. www.womensrefugeecommission.org. They have aggregated five actions everyone can take that go beyond donating funds.

<https://www.womensrefugeecommission.org/rights/resources/1648-five-actions-you-can-take-to-help-end-family-separation-and-support-families>

- **ActBlue** has aggregated many of these groups under a single button.

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/kidsattheborder>

- **CLINIC’s** Defending Vulnerable Populations project offers case assistance to hundreds of smaller organizations all over the country that do direct services for migrant families and children.

<https://cliniclegal.org/defending-vulnerable-populations>

- **American Immigrant Representation Project** (AIRP) works to secure legal representation for immigrants.

<https://www.immigrationjustice.us/about/airp>

- **CASA** in Maryland, D.C., Virginia, and Pennsylvania. They litigate, advocate, and help with representation of minors needing legal services.

<https://wearecasa.org>

- **Freedom for Immigrants** (Formerly CIVIC) has been a leading voice opposing immigrant detention.

<https://www.freedomeforimmigrants.org>

- **The Michigan Immigrant Rights Center** represents all of the immigrant kids placed by the government in foster care in Michigan (one of the biggest foster care placement states). About two-thirds are their current clients are separation cases, and they work to find parents and figure out next steps.

<https://michiganimmigrant.org>

- **The Northwest Immigrant Rights Project** is doing work defending and advancing the rights of immigrants through direct legal services, systemic advocacy, and community education.

<https://www.nwirp.org/about-nwirp>

- **Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights** works for the rights of children in immigration proceedings.

<https://theyoungcenter.org>

- **The International Refugee Assistance Project** (IRAP)—which organizes law students and lawyers to develop and enforce a set of legal and human rights for refugees and displaced persons—just filed suit challenging the cancellation of the Central American Minors program.

www.refugeerights.org

- **Houston Immigration Legal Services Collaborative** has a guide to organizations throughout Texas that provide direct legal services to separated children. Also listed within the guide are resources for local advocates, lawyers, and volunteers.

<https://houstonimmigration.org/how-to-help-family-separation-edition>

- **Immigrant Justice Corps** is the nation's only fellowship program dedicated to expanding access to immigration representation. Some IJC fellows work at the border, and others work in New York, providing direct representation in immigration court to parents and children resettled in New York City and surrounding counties.

<https://justicecorps.org>

• **The Kino Border Initiative** provides humanitarian aid to refugees and migrants on both sides of the border. They have a wish-list of supplies they can use to help migrants and families staying in the communities they serve.

<https://kinoborderinitiative.org/give>

• **The Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network** supports undocumented immigrants detained in Aurora, Colorado.

<https://www.rmian.org>

• **The National Immigrant Justice Center** represents and advocates for detained adults and children facing removal, supports efforts at the border, and represents parents in the interior who have been separated from their families as a result of aggressive enforcement.

<https://immigrantjustice.org>

Other Suggested Actions:

- File a complaint against ICE with Office for Civil Rights & Civil Liberties, within Dept. of Homeland Security. Call 202-401-1474.
- Call the White House Comment line. Speak your mind as you choose. Call 202-456-6213.
- Call the Department of Justice (DOJ) Comment Line. Tell them how you feel about separating children from parents at our border. Call 202-353-1555.
- Call the United Nations and tell them they must intervene in any way they can. Call 212-963-1234.