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# 2017 Annual Report

**NEW YORK IMMIGRATION COALITION • OPPORTUNITY & JUSTICE FOR ALL** 

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### Letter from the Executive Director & Board Chair

### Dear Friend.

We would like to take a moment to reflect on this momentous occasion – the 30th anniversary of the New York Immigration Coalition! Right now there are so many immoral and destructive policies coming out of the White House, that at times it feels almost impossible to keep up. But it is up to us to continue to stand up and to fight back. We are so honored to fight alongside each and every one of you.

For 30 years, this has been our history – of the New York Immigration Coalition and our 200 member organizations. We were born out of crisis: the 1986 Immigration Reform & Control Act, which allowed millions to finally legalize their status – but also made it illegal to hire undocumented immigrants. Before the NYIC existed, there was no organization in New York that could coordinate a response to the needs of its growing, diverse immigrant population. Over the last three decades, our hard work together has resulted in amazing victories in education, housing, healthcare and civil rights for immigrant New Yorkers.

Now, in 2017, we face another crisis – in which the basic rights of immigrant New Yorkers are threatened every day. But in the face of this attack, we stand tall in our fight for immigrant New York, because of you. You know that our New York is compassionate, inclusive and welcoming, not a place of hatred and fear. You know that our New York, and our path forward. cannot be forged by us alone. Because we've learned these last 30 years that we are only successful when we work together; that New York is made stronger when all of us are welcome; and that we all benefit when everyone is given an equal opportunity to thrive.

We look forward to building that New York with you over the next year, the next decade, and the next 30 years. Are you ready to join us?

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### **Our Vision**

The New York Immigration Coalition envisions a New York State that is stronger because all people are welcome, treated fairly, and given the chance to pursue their dreams.

### **Our Mission**

Unite immigrants, members & allies so all New Yorkers can thrive.

### **Our Values**

- **1**. Inclusive & Representative
- 2. Fair & Just
- 3. Accountable & Trusted

# **30 Years of the NYIC A** Retrospective



In late 1986, Reagan signed the Immigration Reform and Control Act - making it illegal to hire undocumented immigrants and simultaneously allowing millions of immigrants to legalize their status. A coalition of legal service providers came together to coordinate advocacy and service provision: the NYIC was born.





### 1991-2000

Under the leadership of Margie McHugh - the NYIC's first fulltime director - we significantly expanded our focus. The NYIC held its first federal advocacy day, developed our first statewide policy agenda, and began working closely with New York City officials to ensure the government is responsive and accessible to immigrants.

In response to several anti-immigrant laws (for example, the Federal Welfare Reform Law and the Illegal Immigration Reform and Responsibility Act of 1996), the NYIC made a strategic decision to prioritize political action. Recognizing the need to show policymakers the political clout of immigrants, we launched our "200,000 in 2000" initiative to educate and turn out hundreds of thousands of immigrant voters for the 2000 election.





### 2001-2010

In the aftermath of September 11, 2001, the Bush administration targeted Muslims, Arabs, and South Asians through policies like the National Security Entry-Exit Registration System (NSEERS). In response, the NYIC coordinated legal and support services for affected communities and advocated to protect their rights. The NYIC's was the most comprehensive response in the nation to these selective enforcement measures.

The NYIC also played a central role in the historic rallies of 2006, when more than 400.000 New Yorkers took to the streets to protest a punitive immigration bill that would have made felons of social workers, doctors, and clergy who help undocumented immigrants. We continued to be an outspoken and effective voice in highlighting the need for workable and humane reforms in the ensuing immigration reform debate.



### 2011-2017

In 2012, President Obama provided nearly one million young people work authorization and protection from deportation through his Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). The NYIC coordinated legal services for thousands of eligible New Yorkers, supported Obama's actions that would expand DACA and give deferred action to the parents of Americans, and rallied in Washington, DC when this expansion was held up by an injunction. After the Supreme Court's ruling halted the programs from going into effect, we held a hotline and televised town hall to disseminate information to over 200,000 community members.



In recent years, the NYIC has pushed for federal immigration reform while also tackling the issues of immigrant health care, education, civic engagement, and more. We've created innovative models for providing legal services, won increased funding for crucial programs for immigrants, trained our membership to address the pressing needs facing communities, and much more.

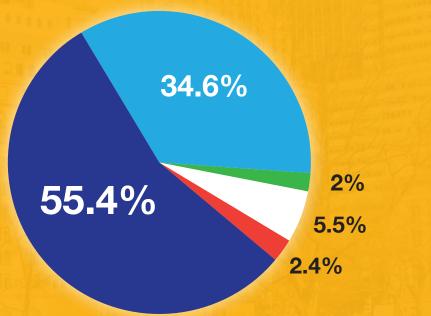
## Looking ahead

In 2017, our communities are once again being threatened – this time by the Trump administration and its attempts to undo the progress we have worked so hard to achieve. Taking the lessons learned over three decades, the NYIC launched our "This is Our New York" initiative to protect immigrant New Yorkers from federal threats, and developed a comprehensive "Blueprint for Immigrant New York" to transform New York into a state where immigrants can truly thrive.

In the years to come, we'll continue our tireless work to bring opportunity and justice to all New Yorkers.



### FY 2017 Financials



REVENUE SOURCE	<b>REVENUE SOURCE %</b>	AMOUNT
Foundation & Corporation	55.4%	\$2,348,572
Government	34.6%	\$1,467,344
Special Events	0.1%	\$1,724
Membership & Training	2.0%	\$85,620
Individual Contributions	5.5%	\$232,668
Other Income	2.4%	\$100,458
TOTAL	100%	\$4,236,386



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#### CASA

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#### In Kind

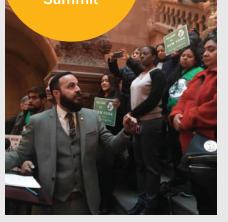
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# Major Events 2017

Jan 29 #NoBanNoWall Rally, Battery Park

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Jan 31 Albany Leaders







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Oct 17 30th Anniversary Gala

### Nov 9 "Blueprint for Immigrant New York" Launch

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### As the 2016 election results rolled in – and we learned that Donald

Trump would become the next President of the United States - the NYIC and millions of Americans went to bed shocked, disappointed, and fearful of what this new administration would mean for the country's most vulnerable communities. In the days following, we consulted with our Board, our members, and our partners to develop a plan to respond to the new political reality, and Trump's threats to the livelihood of New York's immigrants.

In January 2017, we launched "This is Our New York" - a new, comprehensive initiative that addresses the needs of immigrant New Yorkers through:

- Enhanced legal services;

This year, we've worked tirelessly to protect and strengthen immigrant communities who face an uncertain future - because our New York is diverse, compassionate, and welcoming, and no President or executive order can change that.

70.000

200

The NYIC and our members have held more than 200 presentations and workshops to educate immigrant communities about their rights - around health care. hate crimes, interacting with

federal immigration agencies, and more. Through these events and street outreach, we've reached 30,000 New Yorkers.

# This is Our New Yor

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Outreach and community education;

Combatting hate crimes and intimidation;

Advocacy and organizing against anti-immigrant policies;

Capacity building for our member organizations; and

Building bridges with non-traditional allies and communities.

The NYIC has organized tens of thousands of New Yorkers – mobilizing them to airports, parks, cities across the state, and DC to defend communities being victimized by the Trump administration.

We engaged government agencies and law enforcement in NYIC-led Protecting Immigrant New Yorkers (PINY) Taskforce meetings to discuss hate crimes against immigrants and their responses.



We distributed \$330.000 to member organizations, building their capacity to respond to emerging needs in their communities.

13,000

Through presentations, workshops, and street outreach, the NYIC has distributed thousands of "community safety toolkits" which we developed

immediately after the 2016 election and continue to update and translate.

1.000

In the nine days after the first travel ban executive order was announced. more than 1,000 New Yorkers volunteered with the NYIC's legal table at JFK Airport, tracking

nearly 1,200 international flights and assisting 267 families from more than 20 countries.

# Federal Advocacy & Policy

In 2017, the NYIC focused our efforts on defending immigrants against a new federal administration that promised to build a wall, increase enforcement, ban Muslims from entering the US, strip immigrant youth of deportation protections, and more – and began making good on those promises just days into the term. We developed a federal advocacy and organizing campaign to respond to these attacks, and pushed for policies that promote opportunity and justice for immigrants.

As a member of the Fair Immigration Reform Movement (FIRM) and a co-chair of the National Partnership for New Americans (NPNA), we supported national actions in Washington, DC as well as the National Immigrant Integration Conference in Phoenix, AZ. Working with our national partners, we are leading the charge to defend Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Temporary Protected Status (TPS), the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and the dignity of all immigrant groups.

### DACA & TPS

This year the NYIC worked to protect DACA and TPS. responded to the end of DACA and several TPS designations, held days of action and coordinated legal service provision for immigrants who now face losing these protections. We mobilized our allies to call on the administration and Congress to find permanent solutions for the more than 1 million DACA/TPS recipients residing in the US.

25

The NYIC created a steering committee of 25 individuals and organizations to ensure that directly impacted DREAMers led the advocacy battle around DACA. The steering committee has proven crucial for information sharing as well as strategizing around advocacy and policy initiatives.

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We mobilized thousands across the state — in New York City, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Kingston, and Long Island – and DC to defend both DACA and TPS.

### Affordable Care Act

We co-led and participated in multiple actions to protest threats to the Affordable Care Act, to inform NYIC members and community members about the complex proposed changes, and to call out members of the House of Representatives who supported replacements such as the American Health Care Act.

6 rallies

Working with Planned Parenthood, labor unions and many other partners, the NYIC supported and spoke in defense of the ACA at 6 rallies throughout the year.



### Muslim & Refugee Ban

38,000

New Yorkers

3

bans

In January, Trump signed an executive order banning all travelers from seven Muslim-majority countries from entering the US. The NYIC and our partners responded immediately – holding a series of successful rallies, press conferences, community education events and Jummah prayers – achieving a temporary stay on the ban, which was eventually struck down.

> In the 48 hours after the first ban was announced, the NYIC was the first on the ground at JFK Airport, drawing a crowd of 5.000 protesters to Terminal 4. The next day, 30,000 turned out to our rally at Battery Park to condemn the ban. In Buffalo and Rochester, we mobilized 3,000 individuals, the majority of whom were members of the Muslim and refugee community.

In January, March, and September, the administration announced versions of the Muslim ban. On October 18, the NYIC and supporters joined a 5.000-strong rally in Washington, DC on the day the third ban was set to go into effect. All three bans have been blocked by the courts.

### Looking ahead

The NYIC will continue to monitor policy changes on the federal level, and uphold and fight for immigrant rights, access to affordable health care and education, and more,

# NYIC member organizations

are nonprofit organizations committed to advancing the NYIC's mission. Our members are located throughout New York State and beyond, and engage in diverse advocacy campaigns and direct service programs that support immigrant justice and integration.

205 NYIC members

> **49** new members in 2017

\$790k distributed to members

*L* At a time where the rights of and protections for immigrants and refugees have been threatened, the NYIC has offered much needed guidance, advocacy, and support to our agency, clients, and community."

Sarah A. Bertozzi, Managing Attorney, Journey's End Refugee Services

**C** From the DOJ Accredited Representative training to facilitating a connection to Columbia University and NYU schools of social work... membership at the NYIC has been instrumental to our growth this year. To have these training and capacity building opportunities available has been invaluable to our growth as a new organization."

Lydia Boaz, Executive Director, Boaz Organization for Youth

**C** The NYIC has provided a vital central contact for The Legal Project and our immigration partners in the Capital Region... NYIC membership has allowed us to apply for additional resources and coordinate with state and national partners to improve services to local immigrant communities." Natalie Birch-Higgins, Immigration Program Coordinator, **The Legal Project** 

The NYIC has long been an indispensable institution in New York. Over the last year as immigrant and refugee communities have come under attack, the NYIC has emerged as a stronger and ever more essential voice of conscience for the nation." Kevin Douglas, Co-Director of Policy & Advocacy, United Neighborhood Houses

**C** Being a member at NYIC has empowered our small grassroots organization to go above and beyond, by getting access to grants, opportunities, and nationwide advocacy. Thanks to the NYIC we have been able to host an AmeriCorps VISTA, expand our community organizing efforts, take 30+ members to Washington, and so much more."

> Martha Maffei, Executive Director, **SEPA Mujer**



# Empowering New York's Diverse Communities

The New York Immigration Coalition leads several community-based initiatives that engage, empower and foster the integration of New York's immigrant communities. These initiatives are an effort to build an immigrant rights movement that is truly representative of New York's diverse communities and recognizes the experiences and contributions of all immigrant groups.

In fiscal year 2017, we awarded \$790,000 (more than double the amount in 2016!) to our members to build their capacity to participate in these and other NYIC initiatives.

### Black Immigrant Engagement Initiative

The BIEI supports black-led community-based organizations and service providers in New York City to engage African, Afro-Caribbean, and Afro-Latino communities through outreach and direct legal services, as well as advocacy campaigns that integrate the black immigrant experience into the greater immigrant rights movement. In partnership with the Black Alliance for Just Immigration (BAJI), African Services Committee, African Communities Together and other key partners, the initiative has reached 1,400 individuals and mobilized more than 500 around issues including language access, criminal justice and immigration, and TPS.

### Immigrants Vote! Campaign

Every year is an election year. Our annual Immigrants Vote! Campaign is a massive effort to civically engage and educate immigrants, voters, and traditionally marginalized communities in order to increase voter turnout and strengthen New York's political landscape. Working with 16 community-based organizations in 12 counties, we collectively contacted more than 200,000 voters and registered nearly 20,000 to vote.

### Your Money, Your Future

In an effort to equip immigrant communities with the skills to achieve greater financial inclusion and stability, we hosted focus groups with our members and worked with the Qualitas of Life Foundation to create a financial literacy guide on topics like budgeting, ITINs, taxes, and more. We've distributed 1,000 guides in English, Spanish, Urdu, Chinese, and Russian.

### AmeriCorps VISTA

Through our growing AmeriCorps VISTA program, we placed 15 full-time, paraprofessional volunteers at the NYIC and member organizations across New York State to build organizational capacity for immigrant-focused antipoverty programs and services. Our latest cohort, which began their service this fall, is comprised of 18 new VISTA volunteers.

### Immigrant Civic Leadership Program

A partnership with Coro New York, the ICLP is a cohort-based program that engages a diverse set of emerging immigrant leaders in an intensive, nine-month leadership development training. Nearly two dozen individuals - many of whom come from NYIC member organizations - participate in our current cohort and will graduate in January 2018.



The NYIC convened organizations from our core membership in January for our Albany Leaders Summit, launching our 2017 statewide priorities and speaking with key state elected officials and stakeholders including Assembly Speaker Heastie, State Senator Stewart-Cousins, State Senator Klein and Governor Cuomo's General Counsel, Alphonso David.

In 2017 we pushed for policies and resources that benefit immigrants across the state — including passage of the Child Health Plus Young Adult Expansion Bill in the New York State Assembly, and the Taxi Worker Protection Act in the Senate. We successfully advocated for the State Education Department and Attorney General Schneiderman to release guidance on preventing bullying, the right to attend school, handling requests from federal immigration agencies, and more. We also continued to lead and co-lead statewide coalitions around issues of health care and access to driver's licenses, played a leadership role on the state's think tank to implement the Every Student Succeeds Act, and worked to improve healthcare access for immigrants and young people.

11 towns & cities

The NYIC-led campaign to achieve driver's licenses for all New Yorkers - known as "Green Light NY" — has garnered the support of community members and elected officials across the state. In addition to the 400 individuals who mobilized to Albany to launch the campaign, the mayors of several cities and towns have signed onto the campaign, with Syracuse being the first major city to pledge support. Ithaca, Hudson, Ossining, Mamaroneck, Port Chester, and others have also passed resolutions in support of the campaign.





Due to our advocacy, New York State launched the Liberty Defense Project this year, allocating a landmark \$10 million to organizations to assist and represent New Yorkers in immigration proceedings.



The NYIC and our partners won \$40 million to fund critical care providers across the state, \$8 million for adult literacy education and \$6.5 for the New York State Office of New Americans.



Thanks to concerted advocacy efforts by the NYIC and our members, Governor Cuomo signed an executive order this year prohibiting law enforcement agencies that receive state funding from collaborating with federal immigration enforcement agencies making New York a safer place for all.

### Looking ahead

The NYIC spent 2017 developing the *Blueprint for Immigrant New York* – a strategic plan and long-term vision for immigrant communities in New York. The Blueprint outlines policy goals around access, equity, and integration success as well as the necessary steps to achieve these goals. We launched the Blueprint in early November and will undertake this ambitious effort beginning in 2018.

# Immigrant Services Support

In addition to our policy and advocacy work, the NYIC plays a key role in supporting service providers and promoting access to services across New York State. This includes convening and coordinating direct service providers; management of the NYIC's Immigrant Concerns Training Institute; the administration of service events and clinics like our monthly "Key to the City" events; and outreach programs designed to connect communities to services and resources, such as our new "Start By Asking" partnership.

The NYIC also leads several collaboratives and working groups including the Immigrant Advocates Response Collaborative (ARC), made up of 60 nonprofit organizations providing or supporting legal services to New York's immigrant communities. The Immigrant ARC meets bi-monthly to pool knowledge, resources, and expertise to ensure that immigration attorneys throughout the state are ready to defend our communities. 645 Navigators We trained 645 nonprofit staff and volunteers to become "Immigration Navigators" — who free up capacity for immigration lawyers by assisting with prescreening, case management, and more. The NYIC was at the forefront of developing this national model, and we have updated the curriculum this year to include pressing information on interactions with immigration agencies, what to do if a family member is detained or deported, and more.

230 hours

Our Immigrant Concerns Training Institute trained nearly 700 individuals on immigration law and other topics this year, more than double the number trained in 2016. We offered more than 230 hours of trainings, including four 40-hour trainings for Department of Justice (DOJ) Recognition & Accreditation, and assisted 18 organizations with applying for DOJ Recognition & Accreditation.

**4,400** served The NYIC's signature "Key to the City" initiative – a series of community-based events that provide immigrant families with consular IDs, legal screenings, financial literacy trainings and more – has reached more than 34,000 people since its launch in 2011. More than 4,400 individuals have attended 9 Key to the City events this year alone.

6,000 eligible In partnership with the Robin Hood Foundation and Single Stop, the NYIC and ten of our member organizations participated in the "Start by Asking" campaign — which works to connect immigrant families to underutilized benefits and programs by conducting outreach and providing education and referrals to trusted partners. Next year, we aim to identify 6,000 individuals eligible for public benefits in New York City.



### Looking ahead

In 2018 and beyond, the NYIC will continue to expand our Services Support team and initiatives that respond to the urgent needs of immigrant communities. Specifically, we will launch our LIFE Initiative – Linking Immigrant Families to Early Childhood Education – to boost immigrant families' access to pre-K programs.



In 2017, we significantly expanded our presence throughout New York State — which has boosted not only our federal and state advocacy efforts, but also our grassroots organizing around local policies. With staff now based in key regions around the state — in New York City, Long Island, the Hudson Valley, Western New York, and Central New York — the NYIC is now better able to engage member groups by coordinating advocacy efforts and providing trainings and resources for members.

The NYIC has continued to engage our 205 members across the state in decision-making around advocacy campaigns. We convened members, local leaders, and other service providers and advocates in nine locations throughout the state to discuss the unique needs of immigrants in each region, share best practices, and coordinate our advocacy efforts. This year, members across the state have also taken leading roles in local, state, and federal advocacy efforts like never before.

### Member-Led Campaigns

The NYIC supported member organizations' base building and advocacy around immigrant-friendly policies. We have seen our members be successful in passing sanctuary policies in areas such as Syracuse and Rochester, and make progress around bills such as the Immigration Protection Act — which was ultimately vetoed, but made Westchester the first county to pass legislation limiting collaboration with Immigration & Customs Enforcement. On May Day, we also worked with members on Long Island to lead several rallies calling for limited collaboration.



In the Lower Hudson Valley, the NYIC supported our members' efforts to push the Westchester District Attorney to open an office of immigrant affairs. The office promotes safety by allowing undocumented immigrants in the county to report crimes without fear of deportation.



We supported our members advocating to codify protections for construction workers and to fund worker centers in New York City where immigrant workers can receive safety training and life-saving information.

### NYIC-Led Campaigns

In New York City, where the NYIC has our largest member base, we led several successful campaigns, facilitating resources and protections to immigrant New Yorkers.

10 languages The NYIC led efforts to further expand the number of languages in which New York City resources are provided. New Yorkers can now receive information in Spanish, French, Chinese, Haitian Creole, Arabic, Russian, Korean, Urdu, Bengali, and Polish.

2 new protections

\$43.2

million

We worked with the Brooklyn District Attorney's office to create an immigration review unit to protect immigrant New Yorkers from fraud as well as a new policy for prosecuting immigrants that would avoid deportation for low-level offenses.

In New York City, we successfully advocated for \$12 million for adult literacy education, \$30 million for legal services for immigrants, and \$1.2 million for Access Health NYC, an initiative that funds community-based organizations to conduct outreach and education on health access, coverage and rights.



### Looking ahead

Under an administration that will likely continue to ramp up its deportation apparatus and strip immigrants of status and benefits, the NYIC will continue to coordinate, support, and fund our members to end collaboration between law enforcement and ICE and to push for other immigrantfriendly policies across the state.

# **NYIC** in the News

### The New York Times

### January 28, 2017 | Protest Grows 'Out of Nowhere' at Kennedy Airport After Iragis Are Detained

Word of the protest at Kennedy first filtered out on social media from the immigrant-advocacy groups Make the Road New York and the New York Immigration Coalition. It seemed like it might stay small. But the drama seemed to rise throughout the day.



### February 23, 2017 | Why Trump's Immigration Policy Is a Legal Mess

"The Supreme Court has held that you're entitled to a lawyer in your immigration court proceedings. ... How are you going to ensure that the due process protections of immigration proceedings are upheld if you're forcing somebody to be in a foreign country, appearing via video?" Mackler says. "Just as a practical matter, how is a lawyer supposed to represent somebody when they are that far away?"



### June 7, 2017 | The Muslim Millennial Leading the Anti-Trump Resistance

He hasn't been profiled in the New York Times or become a fixture on MSNBC, but Murad Awawdeh has been a critical figure in mobilizing New York City's Muslim and immigrant communities since Trump took office. The 30-year-old was born and raised in Brooklyn, and the events of 9/11 bifurcated his adolescence.



### October 4, 2017 | Kicking out 'Dreamers' is bad for America and for business

Thanks to DACA, those kids, who are known as Dreamers, are now on average 25 years old and either pursuing an advanced degree or earning a steady income, according to research from the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy. Some 91% of DACA permit holders are employed and earn an average annual salary of \$36,000, while 44% are earning a degree, 17% are pursuing a masters and 5% have started their own business.

Trump immigration ban loses first legal battle | The Guardian | January 29, 2017 New York to provide lawyers for immigrants facing deportation | CNN Money | Thursday, April 13, 2017 "Aquí estamos y no nos vamos": el grito de Nueva York en la marcha del 1 de Mayo | El Diario | May 1, 2017 NYC Rally Calls For Release of Westchester Student Facing Deportation | WAMC | June 13, 2017 Immigrant students fight barriers to succeed in New York schools | New York Daily News | June 16, 2017 Death in Detention, Student Loan Secrets, Musician Drew Holcomb | WNYC | Wednesday, June 28, 2017 'Wanted: Bona Fide President.' New Yorkers Protest President Trump's Travel Ban | Time | June 30, 2017 Troopers investigate protested incident | The Chronicle-Express | August 23, 2017 Cuomo Bans State Agencies From Asking About Immigration Status | Observer | September 15, 2017 Spirit Halloween Releases Border Patrol Halloween Costume | Teen Vogue | September 21, 2017 Young Immigrants Wait and Organize as Trump DACA Drama Drags On | Village Voice | September 22, 2017 Construction job sites: the silent killer of immigrant workers | ThinkProgress | September 28, 2017 Why using "Middle Eastern" as a descriptor for the NYC terror suspect is useless and... | Mic | November 2, 2017 PROTECTED IMMIGRATION STATUS ENDS FOR NICARAGUANS IN TPS PROGRAM | NY1 | November 6, 2017 Post Office Fails to Deliver on Time, and DACA Applications Get Rejected | New York Times | November 10, 2017

- Brooklyn DA Takes Action To Prevent New Yorkers From Being Deported For Low-Level Arrests | Village Voice | April 25, 2017
- SCARED, BUT EMPOWERED: NONPROFITS REFLECT ON TRUMP'S FIRST FOUR MONTHS | City and State | May 24, 2017
- Photos: Dozens Arrested In Lower Manhattan Protesting Trump's DACA Decision | Gothamist | September 6, 2017
- Immigrant Protection Act: Dozens at Yonkers rally urge Westchester lawmakers to override veto | LoHud | September 18, 2017
- New York's first open enrollment under Trump is a test of how much state can ignore D.C. | Politico Pro | October 12, 2017

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