

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

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We believe governments are obligated to protect and not violate inalienable human rights, including life, liberty, due process, and equal protection under the law.

- › *Special care should be taken to protect the rights of the minority from undue infringement by the majority and to protect the well-being of the vulnerable, particularly women and children.*

We respect and support the rule of law.

- › *Government officials and institutions have a duty to respect the rule of law, including accepted processes for how the law is to be established, executed, and interpreted.*
- › *Governments have an ethical obligation to abide by international agreements and honor signed treaties.*

We are mutually accountable to all humans in our communities, country, and world.

- › *We have a moral responsibility to provide succor and relief to those fleeing war, violence, persecution, and natural disasters, regardless of race, nationality, or religion.*

OUR ADVOCACY PRIORITIES

Advocate for broad, non-discriminatory and compassionate immigration reform that adheres to the rule of law and prioritizes legitimate national interests.

- › *Congress can help secure our borders by legislating timely, legal pathways for economically essential workers while addressing surges in refugees caused by unforeseen events.*
- › *We can use language that reinforces each individual's humanity and the value they add to our society.*

Support immigration policies that strengthen our nation by capturing the benefits of immigration for communities, the economy, and national security.

- › *Dreamers are deeply integrated at all levels of American society and are well prepared for full civic and economic participation. A pathway to legal status would benefit the nation.*
- › *Overly restrictive immigration policy reduces access to necessary workers and highly educated contributors.*
- › *Immigration laws should accommodate individuals who have supported U.S. military interests abroad. Appropriate safe-haven resettlement can further foreign policy objectives.*

Honor our commitments and respond to humanitarian crises.

- › *Humane refugee policies demonstrate our trustworthy national character and foster global cooperation.*
- › *Refugees and asylum seekers granted entry should be offered the legal status necessary to rebuild lives and contribute to society.*