

**Catholics Say: Stop the Inhumanity Now!**  
**Call the White House and Congress**

On September 4, 2019, Catholic leaders are continuing a campaign to end the inhumane treatment of immigrant and refugee children and families at the border, in detention centers, and in communities across the country. Catholics are gathering in Newark NJ; many are planning to risk arrest. They have come to stand with immigrant communities threatened by our broken immigration system and the inhumane policies of the Trump administration. The time to take a prophetic stand and say NO MORE is now.

The Trump administration has announced it will use a new immigration rule that would allow it to detain some immigrant children and families indefinitely, replacing the 1997 Flores settlement, which had limited the length of time children could be held in detention, because detention is so harmful to children. They are also considering re-opening the child detention centers, i.e. “influx facilities” in late October. Border Patrol is refusing to give flu vaccines to migrant children, which was part of why some of them died.

**Act NOW by Calling the White House and Congress to say NO to President Trump’s Inhumane Policies that Harm Children and Threaten to Detain Some Families and Children Indefinitely**

**Call the White House (202) 456-1111**  
**Call Congress 202-224-3121 (Ask for your reps)**

**Suggested Script**

*As a person of faith, I am calling today to strongly oppose the Trump Administration’s efforts to hold children and families in dangerous detention centers, or separate immigrant families at the border and in communities around the country. Family is sacred—it is the cornerstone of our church and our community and must be protected. The Administration’s policies have led to the tragic deaths of seven children and are traumatizing a whole generation of children.*

*Guided by our Catholic faith and our national values, we affirm the dignity of all people and our call to love our neighbors. Every person, every family deserves stability and security.*

*We call on the Trump Administration and Congress to immediately end the unjust and immoral practice of jailing children and families.*

Thank you!