

Dear Legislator:

We, the undersigned organizations, would like to express our support for the **DREAM Act of 2009** (H.R. 1751/S.729). We hope that Congress acts quickly to enact this piece of legislation.

Each year, approximately 65,000 undocumented students graduate from U.S. high schools. These students, raised as Americans, deserve a chance to become legal residents of the country where they grew up.

The DREAM Act will provide a path to legal status for individuals brought to the U.S. as children. Under the DREAM Act, most students with good moral character who came to the U.S. at age 15 or younger and have lived in the U.S. for at least five years before the date of the bill's enactment would qualify for conditional permanent resident status upon acceptance to college, graduation from a U.S. high school, or being awarded a GED in the U.S. The conditional status will be lifted if the student completes at least two years of college or serve in the military.

We urge your support for this important legislation.

**NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

AFL-CIO

American Association of Community Colleges

American Federation of Teachers

American Jewish Committee

America's Voice

Anti-Defamation League

Asian American Justice Center

Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, AFL-CIO

B'nai B'rith International

Boat People SOS

Center for Law and Social Policy

Children's Defense Fund

Christians for Comprehensive Immigration Reform (CCIR)

Church World Service

Coalition on Human Needs

Disciples Justice Action Network (Disciples of Christ)

Episcopal Church

First Focus Campaign for Children

First Star

Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center

Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society

Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities

Hispanic Coalition for Comprehensive Immigration Reform

Hmong National Development, Inc.

Immigrant Legal Resource Center

Interfaith Worker Justice  
Irish Apostolate USA  
Japanese American Citizens League  
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement  
LatinoJustice PRLDEF  
Leadership Conference on Civil Rights (LCCR)  
Legal Momentum  
Lutheran Immigrant and Refugee Service  
Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF)  
Multicultural Education, Training & Advocacy (META)  
National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE)  
National Association for College Admission Counseling  
National Association for the Education and Advancement of Cambodian, Laotian and  
Vietnamese Americans (NAFEA)  
National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth  
National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development  
National Collaboration for Youth  
National Council of Jewish Women  
National Council of La Raza (NCLR)  
National Day Laborers Organizing Network  
National Education Association  
National Foster Care Coalition  
National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference  
National Immigration Forum  
National Immigration Law Center (NILC)  
National Korean American Service & Education Consortium (NAKASEC)  
National PTA  
Nationalities Service Center  
OCA – Embracing the hopes and aspirations of Asian Pacific Americans  
Progressive Jewish Alliance  
Public Affairs Alliance of Iranians Americans  
Public Education Network  
Service Employees International Union (SEIU)  
Southeast Asia Resource Action Center (SEARAC)  
Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)  
The College Board  
The Hispanic Association of Evangelicals  
The National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd  
The United Church of Christ, Justice and Witness Ministries  
Union for Reform Judaism  
Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations  
United Methodist Church, General Board of Church and Society  
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops  
United States Students Association  
United We Dream Network  
Voices for America's Children

Western Association of College Admission Counseling  
Wider Church Ministries  
WIN - the Welcoming Immigrants Network

**ARKANSAS**

Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families  
Arkansas Justice for Our Neighbors  
Catholic Diocese of Little Rock

**ARIZONA**

Kino Border Initiative  
AZ LULAC Youth

**CALIFORNIA**

Asian American Christians of Southern California for Social Justice  
Asian Law Alliance  
Asian Law Caucus  
Aubain & Guevara ALC  
California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, Inc.  
Central American Resource Center of Los Angeles CARECEN-LA  
Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles  
East Bay Community Law Center  
Greater Valley Immigration, Citizenship & Education Services  
Khmer Humanitarian Organization  
Korean Resource Center, Los Angeles, CA  
Latino Civil Rights Committee  
Methodist Federation for Social Action, California-Pacific Chapter  
Opening Doors, Inc.  
Public Counsel  
Services, Immigrant Rights & Education Network, San Jose

**COLORADO**

Colorado Children's Campaign  
Metro Organizations for People

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Family Voices  
Mensah & Dzubow, PLLC

**FLORIDA**

Hispanic Coalition

**GEORGIA**

CLILA - Coalition of Latino Leaders  
The Edwards Law Firm, P.C

**ILLINOIS**

Sargent Shriver National Center on Law and Policy  
SEIU Local 1  
Korean American Resource & Cultural Center (KRCC)

**INDIANA**

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Refugee and Immigration Ministries  
Central Indiana Jobs with Justice  
Central Indiana Jobs with Justice  
La Casa, Indiana University-Bloomington  
La Plaza, Inc.  
Latino Youth Collective  
Indiana Latino Democratic Caucus

**IOWA**

Child and Family Policy Center

**KANSAS**

Catholic Agency for Migration and Refugee Services

**LOUISIANA**

Agenda for Children  
Louisiana Association for Bilingual Education

**MAINE**

Maine Children's Alliance

**MARYLAND**

Latin American Youth Center

**MASSACHUSETTS**

Catholic Social

**MICHIGAN**

Michigan's Children  
Office of Social Justice, Christian Reformed Church

**MINNESOTA**

Jewish Community Action in St. Paul, MN  
Interfaith Coalition on Immigration (MN)  
Immigration Task Force of the MN UCC Conference

**MISSISSIPPI**

Family Resource Center of Northeast Mississippi  
El Pueblo - Immigration Legal Services  
Mississippi Center for Justice

**MISSOURI**

Latin America/Caribbean Committee of Loretto Community

**NEBRASKA**

Center for Survivors  
Parent-Child Center, Lexington, NE

**NEVADA**

Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Children's Alliance of New Hampshire

**NEW JERSEY**

Association for Children of New Jersey  
Statewide Parent Advocacy Network

**NEW MEXICO**

New Mexico Voices for Children

**NEW YORK**

NY Conference Board of Church and Society (United Methodist Church)  
Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy  
Women's City Club of NY  
Empire Justice Center

**NORTH CAROLINA**

Action for Children North Carolina  
FaithAction International House  
Latin American Coalition

**OHIO**

Voices for Ohio's Children

**OKLAHOMA**

Immigrant Rights Project, University of Tulsa College of Law

**PENNSYLVANIA**

JUNTOS  
Public Citizens for Children and Youth

**RHODE ISLAND**

Rhode Island KIDS COUNT

**SOUTH CAROLINA**

SC Appleseed Center Legal Justice Center

**TEXAS**

American Gateways

BARCA, Inc.

Center for Public Policy Priorities

Dominican Sisters of Houston

Hispanic American Association of East Texas

Human Rights Initiative of North Texas, Inc.

La Union del Pueblo Entero (LUPE)

Standing for Truth Foundation

**UTAH**

Law Office of Francisco J. Roman, PLLC

Utah Health and Human Rights Project

Voices for Utah's Children

**VERMONT**

Voices for Vermont's Children

**VIRGINIA**

Foster Care Alumni of America

Voices for Virginia's Children

**WISCONSIN**

The School Sisters of Notre Dame Global Justice & Peace Commission