

Exciting Immigration Reform Opportunity!

While Congress continues to ignore calls by immigration advocates to end the anguish of the 11 million undocumented immigrants contributing to our society, we at UUSJ intend to act. Members of UUSJ have been meeting with members of Congress, have attended a briefing on Capitol Hill, and on May 8 worked with the UU Service Committee to deliver over 4,000 petitions to the White House.

Over 600,000 young people brought here without papers have been able to achieve deferral from deportation under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program announced by the President in June 2012. Tens of thousands more are eligible, and those granted deferral two years ago must have their applications renewed.

Many young immigrants need help in navigating the complex federal process for achieving or renewing deferral status (which also permits them to legally work and to obtain drivers' licenses). UUSJ believes assisting these youth is one of the best steps we can take to supplement our vigorous advocacy program during this time of federal neglect of this vital issue.

Come learn from experts from CASA de Maryland who have conducted dozens of clinics staffed by volunteers like you. CASA operates a well-run program that has a 95% + record of successful applications by DACA candidates. Materials as well as interactive training will be provided. You will also learn the essential elements of setting up a clinic at your own site to inform and assist young immigrants and their families.

Come and learn how to improve the lives of young immigrants!