



Message Guide on Immigration for Town Hall Events

Context

In February, Trump signed executive orders to bar Muslims from entering the country, enable his mass deportation plans, build a wall and defund sanctuary cities.

By the end of the month, Trump asked Congress for \$3 billion to begin funding his executive orders up through September 30, 2017. His budget request would fund:

- \$1.5 billion for the construction of new immigration detention jails
- \$1.4 billion to go toward building a disastrous border wall
- \$314 million for the hiring of 500 additional border patrol agents and 1,000 ICE official to break down doors, racially profile, fabricate charges and deport immigrants
- Deporting undocumented people who are currently detained
- Housing 45,000 people in detention camps every day

You may be speaking members of Congress from both parties. Some of them are more friendly to Trump and others are opposed but they ALL need to hear loud and clear that they should oppose spending ANY resources on Trump's border wall, on immigrant detention camps or on Trump's deportation force.

Questions to ask your Member of Congress (make sure to record their answers on paper and video if possible)

- Will you make sure that our tax dollars are not going to jails, deportation force, and the Trump wall? How will you make sure that this money comes back to our children in schools?
- Will you make sure that mothers are not torn apart from their kids by Trump's mass deportation agenda?
- Deportation hurts our communities - they leave children behind, it hurts our economy, will you ensure that we are not funding Donald Trump's wishes for a deportation force?