
Road to SCOTUS: We Still Declare #NoMuslimBanEver

The #NoMuslimBanEver campaign is a grassroots awareness and mobilization campaign that will happen in the weeks leading up to and on October 10, 2017, when the United States Supreme Court will hear legal challenges to the executive order from the Trump Administration that temporarily bans travel from six Muslim-majority countries and suspends the refugee admissions program. The Muslim and refugee bans violate the Establishment Clause and Equal Protection Clause of the United States Constitution. We ask you to join us to declare #NoMuslimBanEver between September 5 and October 10.

The campaign is being organized and led by the following organizations, MPower Change, the MASA Organizing team, Asian Americans Advancing Justice –Asian Law Caucus, and Council of American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)'s San Francisco-Bay Area chapter, in partnership with allies including refugee rights groups, Indivisible, and others. Register your event below and review our toolkit at www.nomuslimbanever.com for general information, downloadable graphics, and more.

About the Campaign

Within one week of his inauguration, Donald Trump issued an executive order that singled out Muslim-majority countries and refugees (roughly 50% of whom are Muslim). Protests began at airports while lawyers and organizations challenged the executive order in court. On June 26, after months of protracted litigation across the country, the Supreme Court reinstated the Muslim Ban in part. Effective June 29, nationals from Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen were banned from entering the U.S. for a period of 90 days unless they have a bona fide relationship with a person or entity in the U.S. Similarly, refugees could not be admitted to the U.S. for 120 days unless they demonstrate a bona fide relationship with a person or entity in the U.S. On October 10, the Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in two cases, *Trump v. Int'l Refugee Assistance Project* and *Trump v. Hawaii*.

The Muslim and refugee bans are discriminatory, unconstitutional and inhumane in the same vein as the Chinese Exclusion Act, the Japanese American incarceration, and special registration after 9/11. We must remember history and raise our voices, both in the critical weeks before the SCOTUS hearing and in the months ahead. Join us in declaring No. Muslim. Ban. Ever.



Campaign Principles

- **End Criminalization:** End policies, like bans, walls and raids, that treat our communities as inherently suspect and foster bigotry and hate.
- **Expand Sanctuary:** Create safe spaces for people under threat by advocating for sanctuary policies, supporting sanctuary communities, and offering physical sanctuary.
- **Center Directly Impacted People:** Center communities directly affected by the Muslim and refugee bans, namely Muslims, refugees, and nationals from Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen.
- **Build Solidarity:** The Muslim and refugee bans are on a continuum of exclusionary policies, White supremacy, xenophobia and racism. We are stronger when we understand these connections and work together.
- **Raise Your Voice:** Share your values and stories to help shift public narratives and consciousness.

Campaign Messages

- The Muslim Ban is the culmination of a long assault on Muslim communities.
- Refugees are ordinary people fleeing extraordinary adversity, and denying them safety is to deny our common humanity.
- Our communities want what everyone wants: freedom to proudly express our identities, including our faith, without fear of discrimination.
- The Muslim and refugee bans are just one prong of Trump's white nationalist agenda.
- This ban has a real impact on families and community members.
- The ban opens the door to other policies that discriminate on the basis of faith, immigration status, and national origin. That is why we stand in solidarity with other communities of color, Native communities, immigrants and refugees.

How You Can Get Involved

Join an event in your area that the #NoMuslimBanEver campaign's regional anchors are hosting.

Atlanta/South: [Project South](#), [CAIR - Atlanta](#), [Advancing Justice - Atlanta](#), [Women Watch Afrika](#)

Detroit: [National Network for Arab American Communities](#), [ACCESS](#), [One Michigan](#), [Engage Michigan](#)

Los Angeles: [CAIR - Los Angeles](#), [Vigilant Love Coalition](#), [National Lawyers Guild - Los Angeles](#), [ACLU - Southern California](#) and [Advancing Justice - Los Angeles](#)

New York: [Yemeni Merchants Association](#)

San Diego: [Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans](#)

San Francisco: [Advancing Justice-Asian Law Caucus](#), [CAIR San Francisco Bay Area](#), [National Iranian American Council](#), [Arab Resource & Organizing Center](#), [Black Alliance for Just Immigration](#)

Seattle: [Oxfam](#), [One America](#), [Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network](#), [Americans for Refugees and Immigrants](#), [ACLU-WA](#)

Put together your own event, discussion, forum or dialogue on your campus, place of worship, community center or workplace.

When? You may want to plan your events to fall on a significant date between September 5 and October 10.

For example, we suggest holding events during **Welcoming Week** to send messages of inclusion and justice, which takes place Sept. 15-24, 2017. During this annual series of events, communities bring together immigrants, refugees, and native-born residents to raise awareness of the benefits of welcoming everyone. Check out [Welcome America's Welcoming Week Toolkit](#) and [Webinar: What you need to host a successful event](#).

Where? Hold peaceful and supportive gatherings, including vigils, in front of [federal courthouses](#) on or before October 10 across the country. Make sure to learn about any applicable regulations regarding permits and civic actions. Or, hold a discussion at your local place of worship, campus, or community center.

How? Invite those directly impacted, local community activists, organizations, and interfaith leaders to speak about the impact of the Muslim and refugee bans.

In addition, we suggest reaching out to allies who can bolster your message. Allies include refugee rights organizations such as [HIAS](#), [Church World Service](#), and [resettlement agencies](#); immigrant rights groups in your community, and civil rights and racial justice groups including local chapters of the [ACLU](#), [Black Lives Matter](#), [PICO National Network](#), and [SEIU](#).

When doing events, please develop a safety plan for organizers and community members.

Let Us Know

- Tell us about your event by [completing our submission form](#) and learn of others by checking the Resistance Calendar at www.nomuslimbanever.com
- Host a call-a-thon and ask community members and allies to call local and national legislators and demand that they denounce the Muslim and refugee bans. [Find your elected official here.](#)
- Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper or an [opinion editorial](#). Describe how the bans negatively impact your communities, the many contributions that Muslims and refugees make to your communities, and how the bans foster misunderstanding and hate.
- Join our Twitter Town Halls on September 14 and September 27 at 1 pm EST. Follow along with #NoMuslimBanEver. We will be holding a Facebook Live Stream between October 10th and 13th with more details soon.
- Join the national march and rally on October 10 in front of the Supreme Court in Washington D.C. More details over at www.nomuslimbanever.com.

Calendar

- September 1: Eid al-Adha
- September 1: Immigration groups planning National Day of Action in conjunction with Texas' law SB4 going into effect
- September 11: The 16th anniversary of 9/11 and IRAP and Hawaii briefs due.
- September 15-24: [National Welcoming Week](#)
- September 17: [“Constitution Day”, also known as “Citizenship Day”](#)
- September 18: Amicus briefs in support of IRAP and Hawaii due
- September 21: [Islamic New Year](#)
- September 21: [International Day of Peace](#)
- September 23-25: ADC Convention (DC)
- September 27: Marks 90 days of the Muslim Ban
- September 30: End of the 2017 fiscal year, which is the deadline for Congress to pass a funding bill and for the administration to announce the annual refugee cap
- October 2: Deadline to provide comments opposing the Back Door Muslim Ban extreme visa vetting questions
- October 10: Oral arguments before the Supreme Court
- October 13: Judges go into conference

Downloadable Graphics

To download, click on the graphics below. Additional graphics will be available at www.nomuslimbanever.com.



Resources

Organizing & Direct Action

- Defending Rights and Dissent manual for [grassroots organizing](#)
- Washington Peace Center [training materials on direct actions, social media engagement and legal support](#)
- Center for American Progress [ResistanceNearMe.org](#) containing local resistance actions plus information you need to contact your members of congress.
- The American Civil Liberties Union [event map](#) to find a public event or action in your area
- [The Indivisible Guide](#) outlines best practices for making Congress listen and offers toolkits for [starting your own group](#), [explainers](#), and [scripts](#).
- [#NoBanNoWallNoRaids](#) maintains an updated [clearinghouse of events happening across the country](#)

Ally Solidarity:

- Church World Service's resources on [how to get your congregation involved in supporting refugees](#) and [volunteer opportunities in your local community](#)
- Islamic Networks Group leads the [Know Your Neighbor: Multifaith Encounters program](#)
- Sign the [Revolutionary Love Project](#) pledge and participate in their events across the country

Storytelling

- Amnesty International is [collecting personal narratives](#) to remind people and legislators of the human cost of the Muslim and refugee Ban
- [CAIR-SFBA](#) and [ALC](#), as well as trusted partners such as [CLEAR](#), [ADC](#), and others are collecting stories of those who have been subject to discriminatory border searches. They are particularly interested in questioning or searches based on religion, race, or national origin; questioning about religious affiliation or opinions; and electronic device and social media password requests.

About the Muslim and Refugee Bans

- [“The Muslim and Refugee Bans” Solidarity Is This Podcast](#), July 24, 2017
- [Department of State cable implementing travel ban ruling: Highlights](#), Penn State Law's Center for Immigrants' Rights Clinic, June 29, 2017.
- [Practice Alert: DHS and DOS Implementation of Executive Order Imposing Travel and Refugee Ban](#), American Immigration Lawyers Association, June 26, 2017

Partner Organizations

