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RISE UP! AN ANTIRACIST DAY OF ACTION

FIGHT VOTER SUPPRESSION, ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM, AND MASS INCARCERATION / IMMIGRANT DETENTION



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Voter Suppression

Endangers our democracy

Thanks for taking action against voter suppression

Action #1 Contact Senate Leaders (5 mins)

Everyone call or email Senator Majority Leader **Charles Schumer** and Minority Leader **Mitch McConnell** to pass federal bills:

The John Lewis Voting Rights Act

- restores preclearance, the federal oversight in states that try to pass laws limiting voting rights.

The For the People Act (S1)

- bold and comprehensive voter protection bill that regulates elections in states



Source: pngwing.com

To the Schumer call add this language on the filibuster: *“Please bring measures to reform or completely eliminate the filibuster to the Senate floor. You have the power to do this as the Majority leader of the Senate.”*

Contact Schumer:

Telephone: 202-224-6542

Email: <https://www.schumer.senate.gov/contact/email-chuck>

Contact McConnell: Best reached by email

Email: <https://www.mcconnell.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=contact>

Telephone: 202-224-2541 weekdays office hours only

Action #2 Call Your US Senators (5 mins)

Everyone call both of your State Senators to ask them to pass both federal bills:

- John Lewis Voting Rights Act
- For the People Act

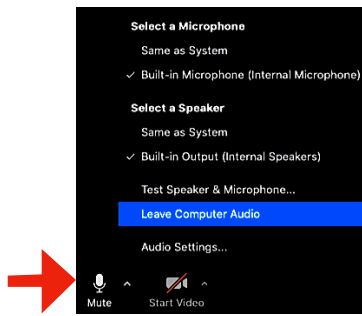
New Yorkers you already called Schumer, now contact Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand

Telephone: 202-224-4451

Email: <https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/contact/email-me>

Residents of other states call your two Senators. Find them through the link to USA.gov

<https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials>



Avoid audio overload while you are making calls:

- Select “Leave Computer Audio” through the Microphone icon in the lower left of your screen.
- Remember to put it back on when you come back in 10 minutes!

Action #3 Volunteer with Reclaim Our Vote

ROV is a non-partisan 501(c)(3) organization engaging people of color and other underrepresented voters in the fight against voter suppression and ensuring voting access.

Join a Reclaim Our Vote Postcard Campaign

Contact Lissa Dodington lundod@gmail.com for more information.

Arizona Campaign deadline June 15th

urges voters of color to pressure Senator **Kyrsten Sinema** to

- reform the filibuster so that
- both voting rights bills pass in the Senate.

The Senate is scheduled to act on these bills by July 1, or later.

Georgia Campaign deadline June 20th

- engage disenfranchised people in voting by organizing against high utility bills from oppressive municipal utilities



Join Riversiders in ROV Phonebanking every Tuesday, 5-7pm, or join other ROV phonebanks.

Contact: Sumati Devadutt devadutt.s@gmail.com for more information.

Arizona Campaign

- same goals as postcard campaign
- Virginia Campaign
- engages people of color to vote in primaries coming up

Future critical phone banking and postcarding campaigns for Georgia Senate seat

Starting this fall, ROV campaigns will ramp up to re-elect Raphael Warnock. His term is only for 2 years, and the seat will be open for election in November 2022.

In the Chat: Add your name, email & phone number **and** indicate if you want to “**phone bank**”, “**postcard**” or “**both.**”

MORAL MONDAY

THE THIRD RECONSTRUCTION RESOLUTION

JUNE 7th

WE MUST RESOLVE TO FULLY ADDRESS POVERTY AND LOW-WEALTH IN AMERICA!

WATCH LIVE 8p 10c
3pmET/2pmCT/12pmPT

#MoralMonday #3rdReconstruction [POORPEOPLESCAMPAIGN.ORG/LIVESTREAM](https://www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/livestream) #PoorPeoplesCampaign

Source: <https://kairoscenter.org/a-third-reconstruction>

ACTION 4: Join June 7th and 21st PPC National Actions Online.

[CLICK HERE FOR FULL INFORMATION.](#)

The [Poor People's Campaign](#) is another engagement opportunity that pulls together all today's theme of voter suppression, environmental racism, mass incarceration/immigrant detention, and poverty.

The [PPC](#) created federal and state level actions supporting a congressional resolution entitled, "[Third Reconstruction: Fully Addressing Poverty and Low Wages From the Bottom Up.](#)"

ACTION 5: Call U.S. Representatives and press them to sign on to this PPC resolution!

How to contact your rep: <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials>

ACTION 6: Join the rally on June 7th with the NYC PPC:

- Stand united with thousands of people across the country
- Call on our representatives to sign-on to the Third Reconstruction Resolution

Start: Monday, June 07, 2021•11:30 AM

End: Monday, June 07, 2021• 1:00 PM

Location: Carolyn Maloney's Office•1651 3rd Avenue, New York City, NY 10128-3679

Host Contact Info: nysppcards@gmail.com

[Click here to RSVP for this and/or other events in New York State.](#)
[On Facebook](#)

BACKGROUND ON THE THIRD RECONSTRUCTION RESOLUTION

As the moral agents of our time, and drawing on the transformational history of the First Reconstruction following the Civil War and the Second Reconstruction of the civil rights struggles of the 20th century, we need a Third Reconstruction to revive our moral and political commitments to democracy and the founding principles of the country.

With this resolution, we

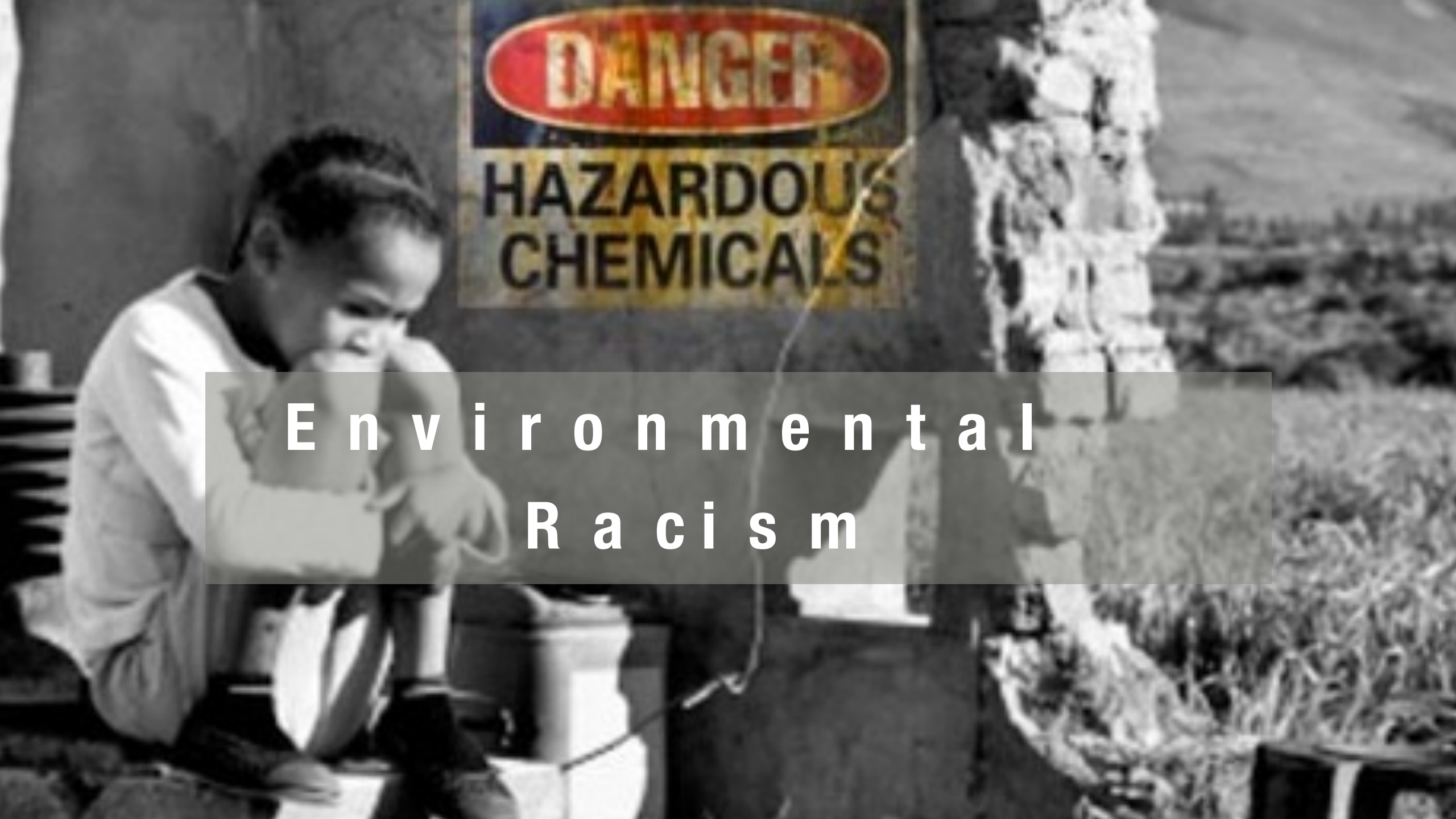
- (1) acknowledge the deep harms we have suffered from systemic racism, poverty, ecological devastation and the denial of health care, militarism and the false narrative of white supremacist nationalist extremism and
- (2) commit to heal and transform the nation by addressing these interlocking injustices, beginning with those most impacted, with moral and just laws and policies.
- There are 8.6 million poor and low-income people in New York State — we can't wait another 50 years for change to come! The time to act is now.
- Get on the phones with the NYS Poor People's Campaign at our next phone bank party, held every month on the first Thursday of the month from 6:30-8:30PM ET.

For more information go to: <https://www.3dreconstruction.org>

DANGER

**HAZARDOUS
CHEMICALS**

**E n v i r o n m e n t a l
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ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM

Pollution, industrial development, dirty air and water, and isolation from viable employment disproportionately affect communities of color and marginalized people, creating high rates of disease and unhealthy living conditions.

ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM

FEDERAL ACTIONS TO TAKE

Email, write a letter, or call your senators and representatives in Congress and ask them to vote for the THRIVE Agenda. You can also write to President Biden and ask him to support it. Specifically, you may write to President Biden and urge him to support a rapid phase-in of electric vehicles.

In NEW YORK

Contact Senator Kristin Gillibrand at

<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/contact/email-me>

Contact Senator Chuck Schumer at

<https://www.schumer.senate.gov/contact/email-chuck>

In NEW JERSEY

Contact Senator Corey Booker at

<https://www.booker.senate.gov/contact/write-to-cory>

Contact Senator Robert Menendez at

<https://www.menendez.senate.gov/contact/email>

Find your U.S. representative:

<https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative>

Call (202) 224-3121 for the U.S. House switchboard operator to be directly connected or visit your member's website.

ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM

DETAILS on CCIA

For more details go to:

- <https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2021/S4264>

Email Your New York State Assembly member:

- <https://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/email/>
- Do so directly from here:
https://www.nyrenews.org/encon-ccia?link_id=5&can_id=e6e751dd3f180613aad356ef4de0d512&source=email-week-of-actions-lays-foundation-for-the-work-ahead-2&email_referrer=email_1176892&email_subject=two-weeks-left-to-make-polluters-pay

OR call your Assembly Member and Senator

- Monday – Friday
- after 9 am
- [518-455-2800](tel:518-455-2800)

Take Action at Home on Social Media! Albany Funeral for New Yorkers Harmed by Climate Crisis



NY RENEWS

Contact: Arielle, arielle@nyrenews.org

Today, dozens of our colleagues are in Albany to demand that we #PassTheCCIA this year! You can support them from home by helping us flood social media with messages about the need for climate, jobs, and justice — and by calling out the lies told by our opposition. Grab a tweet, Instagram, or Facebook post below and let's let Albany know: we won't stand for climate inaction! It's time to #PassTheCCIA!

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Instagram Captions

We're out in Albany right now demanding our legislators #PassTheCCIA and mourning the deaths of people from climate inaction. How many more people will die before we take action? @AndreaStewartCousins, @CHeastie, @NYGovCuomo will fail New Yorkers this year if they don't pass meaningful climate funding. They need to act now for our future and lives.

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Next week, the legislative session is over and Albany will have done nothing for the to fund the CLCPA, NY's landmark climate law. It's time to #PassTheCCIA and reclaim our future by giving back money to our communities.

We're in Albany right now for our last push of the session to let our legislators and the Governor know it's time to fund climate, jobs, and justice!

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@BusinessNYS we're outside right now demanding the lies stop and to #PassTheCCIA. Your lies and climate denial are costing thousands of lives, how many more need to be lost before we take action? #BizCouncilLiesKill

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We're outside the office of @BusinessNYS, whose lies and climate denialism have led to inaction on climate in Albany. It's time to fight back and #PassTheCCIA! #BizCouncilLiesKill

Instagram Tags

Tag @BusinessNYS, @AndreaStewartCousins, @CHeastie, @NYGovCuomo!

Hashtag: #PassTheCCIA, #ClimateJobsAndJustice, #BizCouncilLiesKill

Tweets

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Twitter Tags

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Facebook Posts

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We're outside the Business Council right now demanding the lies stop and to #PassTheCCIA. Your lies and climate denial are costing thousands of lives, how many more need to be lost before we take action?

Sample letter to Your U.S. Senators and Representatives*

Dear Senator (or Representative) X,

I'm writing to ask you to support President Biden's American Jobs Plan and the THRIVE Agenda. President Biden's American Jobs Plan is a vital first step toward long-overdue investments in our aging infrastructure that will help our nation recover from economic devastation and build a more just, clean energy economy.

We need Congress to build on the American Jobs Plan and go bolder! Please deliver a recovery package that is even bigger, to meet the multiple challenges we face. This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to invest at scale to address the interlocking crises of climate change, mass unemployment, economic inequality, and racial injustice.

The THRIVE Act provides a roadmap to a just recovery on all these fronts. The THRIVE Act calls for \$1 trillion in economy-wide investments each year for the next decade, bound by strong labor, equity, and environmental standards. New economic modeling shows that this is the scale of investment needed to create 15 million good jobs and end the unemployment crisis, cut climate pollution in half by 2030, and curb racial, economic, gender, and environmental injustice.

I urge you, as you develop our infrastructure package, go big and bold and align it with the THRIVE Act to better address climate change, support workers, and tackle racial injustice.

Sincerely,

*This sample letter closely follows suggested language from the Sierra Club.



**Mass Incarceration
and
Immigrant Detention**

FOR "CLEAN
SLATE" TAKE
THIS LOCAL
AND NATIONAL
ACTION



URGE YOUR LEGISLATORS
TO SUPPORT CLEAN SLATE-S1553A/A6399

Clean Slate legislation is crucial to ensure that the **2.3 million New Yorkers with conviction histories**—who are disproportionately Black and Brown—can fully and fairly participate in our shared communities and be a vibrant part of our state's economy.

We all need access to jobs, housing, and education in order to live safely and securely, but people with convictions are repeatedly blocked from these life essentials, sometimes for life.

Send a letter today by going to: <https://www.cleanslateny.org/take-action!>
For more information on both pending bills, go to <https://www.brennancenter.org/our-work/research-reports/parole-reform-and-clean-slate-new-york>

IMMIGRANT DETENTION



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IMMIGRANT DETENTION

For a comprehensive study of this issue, go to the Riverside Church program on "Welcoming the Stranger: The Racial Impact of US Immigrant Policy and the Call of the Church" at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uh38dRwOEns>



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- Multi-million-dollar business
- Began 40 years ago, ICE and CBP have a 25B budget
- Detained more than 52,000 a DAY in 2020
- Immigrants have committed no crime but are locked up in prison-type centers, often for-profit facilities, as they wait for a decision on their asylum case or legal status.
- Kept from 4 weeks to 2 year
- Guaranteed no legal representation,
- No accountability, widespread violations with improper sanitation, poor health care, frequent verbal, physical and sexual abuse.

Protest: Bills and Acts



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WHAT DOES IT DO

- 1. The Dignity Not Detention Act prohibits the NY state government from entering into immigration detention contracts & receiving any payments related to immigration detention.**
- 2. It prohibits NY state from renewing any existing immigration detention contracts.**
- 3. It requires any NY governmental entities, like counties, with existing immigration detention contracts to terminate the contract.**

#DignityNotDetention

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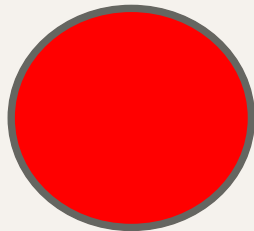
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NJ Contacts for The Detention Bill

Write or call:

Governor Murphy (NJ)

<https://www.nj.gov/governor/contact/all/>

Or

Legislators from area with
Current detention contracts:
Hudson, Essex, Bergen
and Counties:

To send a message to your
State legislator(s), please take a
moment to complete this form.

<https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/SelectMun.asp>

NY Contacts for Ending ICE Detention

WHAT NOW



**Call on your State Senator
and Assembly Member to
Co-Sponsor the bill
to end ICE detention in NY!**

[#DignityNotDetention](#)

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd8fyFK-Xk2wgK83KuFP18Ghy4PHzFbkbMcDp-H4ETphiCpJQ/viewform>

IMMIGRANT DETENTION

Action to stop immigrant detention **NATIONALLY**



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WRITE	or CALL
The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas Secretary of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20528	Operator: 202-282-8000 Comment Line: 202-282-8495

Tell Secretary Mayorkas to defund ICE and stop the use of for-profit detention centers and seek humanitarian release with monitoring (bracelets) for those currently held who seek asylum and have only civil violation relative to their immigration status.