What is Immigration?

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Immigration: the process through which individuals become permanent residents or citizens of another country

Do you know how immigrants travel into the United States? Between 400,000 - 500,000 immigrants travel by “the beast” a train going from Central America to the USA, some are smuggled into trunks of cars or some pay smugglers to cross them over into the USA.

Here are some videos that show how immigrants travel into the United States risking their lives.

https://youtu.be/2Bkw9PNBYWY
https://youtu.be/OZQG-WELWZ8
https://youtu.be/f5ySDYu0zg0
What is immigration reform?

Immigration reform is the change to the current immigration policy of a country. In its strict definition, reform means "to change into an improved form or condition, by amending or removing faults or abuses".

Why is Immigration reform important?

- Families will not be separated by deportation
- To provide immigrants a right to work, study and live freely without fear of being deported
- To keep families safe and together
- Some immigrants are refugees that cannot be deported back to their countries because their lives are in danger
10 things you can do to help immigrants and refugees.

1. Get informed
2. Speak up and speak out
3. Write letters
4. Support organization that provides direct service
5. Call your representatives
6. Get immigrants out of detention
7. Join with others
8. Share on social media
9. Volunteer
10. Vote

Links used for research

Ten Things You Can Do to Support Immigrants and Refugees - Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota (ilcm.org)https://youtu.be/2Bkw9PNBYWY
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https://youtu.be/f5ySDYuOzq0
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/immigrants-rights/