

## **HOW TO STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS**

### **PIONEER VALLEY WORKERS CENTER UNDOCU-WORKER SOLIDARITY FUND**

Undocumented workers are the backbone of our food system and our economy. The 413 Undocu-Worker Solidarity Fund assists undocumented workers in Western Massachusetts who have lost their jobs due to the COVID-19 pandemic but are excluded from unemployment insurance and other federally-funded safety net programs. Our goal is to raise \$50,000 to distribute in small grants to many undocumented workers across sectors in Western Massachusetts, including restaurants, farming, and construction. <https://pvworkerscenter.org/undocu-fund/>

### **JOBS WITH JUSTICE WORKER SOLIDARITY FUND**

In as little as three weeks, millions of Americans who have been working full-time or otherwise getting paid will receive stimulus payments for financial hardship experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

While many people actually do need this cash relief, many others recognize how much more important the money would be for someone who *urgently needs to pay their rent or put food on the table*.

*Together, we are making the commitment to donate our stimulus payments directly to people who need it more, showing them that we will stand with them now and for however long it takes to recover from this crisis.*

<https://www.jwj.org/solidarityfund>

### **WESTERN MASS ASYLUM SUPPORT NETWORK**

<https://www.westernmassasylumsupport.com/partner-organizations.html>

### **TRANS ASYLUM SEEKERS SUPPORT NETWORK**

A border-abolitionist mutual aid network support trans and genderqueer asylum seekers. Contact Johnny for more details at [joaw1495@gmail.com](mailto:joaw1495@gmail.com)

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/transasylumsupport/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/transasylumsupport/about/?ref=page_internal)

## **Programs Below On Hold Due to Novel Coronavirus**

### **ACCOMPANIMENT**

As Lucio has been in sanctuary for over a year now, volunteers are very much needed to provide accompaniment. In addition to Mt. Toby Tuesdays, there are shifts that need to be filled the other 6 days of the week. Training available. Contact Pat De'Angelis [deangelispatricia473@gmail.com](mailto:deangelispatricia473@gmail.com)

### **SPANISH LESSONS**

Lucio helps to support his family by giving Spanish lessons, private and group, to both beginners and intermediate students. Contact Kathleen Winkworth, [kmw@crocker.com](mailto:kmw@crocker.com), and she will send you the link to sign up.

### **FRANKLIN COUNTY RIDESHARE**

The Rideshare program in Franklin County provides local immigrant families with rides to places such as Hartford, Springfield, Holyoke and Greenfield. Training required. Contact Alyssa Bauer [fcridesvolunteer@protonmail.com](mailto:fcridesvolunteer@protonmail.com)

### **HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RIDESHARE**

Primarily provides rides to Lucio's family from Springfield to Amherst and back to visit him several times a week. Needs for other rides sometimes arise. Training required which is done through the Pioneer Valley Workers Center. Contact [pvworkerscenter.org](http://pvworkerscenter.org)

### **SAFE COMMUNITIES ACT**

Work to build an interfaith effort in the Valley in connection with efforts elsewhere in the state to move this important initiative forward. Contact David Grodsky, [grod4bid@gmail.com](mailto:grod4bid@gmail.com)

### **COOPERATIVE FOR IMMIGRANT WOMEN IN TURNERS FALLS**

Partnering with other community leaders in Turners Falls to start a cooperative where women can both produce and sell their products. Individuals with cooperative/marketing experience especially welcomed. Contact Kathleen Winkworth, [kmw@crocker.com](mailto:kmw@crocker.com)

## EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

**Here's What A White Savior Is (And Why It's the Opposite of Helpful)**

<https://everydayfeminism.com/2016/06/white-savior-problem/>

**Calls to #AbolishIce are Unproductive Unless They Are Also A Call to Abolish Police**

<http://blackyouthproject.com/calls-to-abolishice-are-counterproductive-unless-they-are-also-a-call-to-abolishpolice/>

**Harvest of Empire Documentary** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FFgW1C5AeLk>

A documentary from Juan Gonzales of DemocracyNow! The documentary examines the root causes of mass migration to the United States from Latin America and the role that U.S. foreign policy has played from NAFTA defunding the economies of Latin American countries to the U.S. staging illegal coups to install far right dictators as our allies.

**Immigrants in Adelanto ICE Jail Continue Hunger Strike Demanding Release**

**During Pandemic** <https://www.democracynow.org/2020/5/1/headlines/>

[immigrants in adelanto ice jail continue hunger strike demanding release during pandemic](#)