

# City of San Diego Weekly Immigrant Affairs Update

<u>Federal Updates</u>: (1) On July 16, a U.S. district court in Texas ruled that the <u>DACA</u> program is unlawful. The federal government is blocked from granting any new first-time DACA applications; however, current DACA recipients will not lose their protections, can submit renewals, and for now pending renewal applications will be adjudicated; (2) On July 6, the Biden administration announced an extension and re-designation of <u>Yemen</u> for TPS for 18 months, and of <u>Somalia</u> on July 19.

#### **CITY PROGRAMS & SERVICES**

- Requests for translation services to offer public comment during <u>City Council</u> <u>meetings</u> may be made by contacting the City Clerk at (619) 533-4000 or email to cityclerk@sandiego.gov in advance of the meeting. The City is committed to addressing language access needs more broadly and is currently undertaking efforts to expand translation and interpretation services. Stay tuned.
- The City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department is increasing hours at local recreation centers beginning this week. For details about programs and to register for a particular class or activity, visit the Parks and Recreation Department's registration platform at <u>SDRecConnect.com</u>.
- The <u>City of San Diego is hiring</u>! We value a diverse and inclusive workforce that is reflective of the diversity of our region—please share widely.

# **NEW DATA, REPORTS, & PODCASTS**

- <u>Engaging Immigrant Talent Toolkit</u> (The Welcoming Center) helps employers understand steps needed to recruit, retain, and promote immigrant talent.
- July is National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month. Throughout the
  month, the <u>HHS Office of Minority Health (OMH)</u> will focus on promoting tools
  and resources addressing the stigma about mental health among racial and
  ethnic minority populations, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. You
  can find e-learning programs, resources, and other information <a href="here">here</a>.
- <u>Fwd.us</u> shows that allowing Dreamers, TPS holders, farmworkers, and essential
  workers to access a pathway to citizenship would boost economic
  contributions and federal, state, and local tax revenue would expand state
  economies by billions of dollars. You can find <u>economic impact data here</u>.
- Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees 2020 Annual Report

### **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

City of San Diego <u>Community Development Block Grants</u> are available for two funding areas: (1) <u>Services to prevent, prepare for, or respond to the COVID-19 emergency</u>, and (2) <u>technical assistance and general business support to low-to-moderate income individuals wishing to establish a microenterprise</u> or expand an existing microenterprise they own. The deadline to apply for both is July 23.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES**

- UnidosUS Annual Conference will be held on July 26-27, 2021. Register here.
- The <u>Burnham Center for Community Advancement</u> is a new "think-and-do tank" that helps make the San Diego region a better place to live, work and play for all. Contact 619-329-8389 or together@burnhamcenter.org.
- Google's <u>Code Next</u> program works with high schoolers to cultivate the next generation of Black, Latinx and Native+ tech leaders. <u>Code Next Connect</u> is the virtual version of the program, free and available to students living anywhere in the country. See <u>here</u> for more. Applications for the 2021-22 program are open until July 28. No previous coding experience required.

If someone at your organization would like to receive this update, you have ideas for improvement, or you no longer wish to receive these updates, please email Farhat Popal, Immigrant Affairs Manager, at FPopal@sandiego.gov.