

#WeAreAllAmerica

Solidarity Actions with Muslim Communities

National Toolkit

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On Friday January 27, President Trump signed an executive order blocking entry to the US for refugees from seven majority Muslim nations, barring Syrian refugees indefinitely, and effectively gutting our refugee program for 120 days.

We stand with our refugee and Muslim brothers and sisters, those who are seeking protection, and those who are here and desperately waiting to be reunited with their family members overseas.

Trump's announcement dishonors our best values. Protecting communities in need is one of our country's longest and proudest traditions. Our nation's aspirations are enshrined on our monuments and written into our founding documents: Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free.

We Are America is a coalition of organizations formed to build power with Muslim and refugee communities and to organize in defense of America's refugee resettlement program and express solidarity with Muslim communities. #WeAreAllAmerica is a set of actions and campaigns that we will pursue together.

Solidarity Actions with Muslim Communities

WHAT: Jummah Prayer, vigils, human chains, and other activities in solidarity with Muslim communities around the noontime prayer, the biggest prayer of the week

WHEN: Friday, February 3, 2017

WHO: Faith leaders, immigrant and refugee rights organizers, local community allies

WHERE: Mosques, city centers, airports across America

How To: Host a Solidarity Action

Follow our step-by-step guide (after this slide). Here's the overview!

- **Organize** a group of neighbors or local congregations, and reach out to Muslim community. Explain what you would like to do, and arrive at an agreement about the most appropriate way to show solidarity on Friday
- **Invite** your friends, fellow worshipers, neighbors, and family to join you. Invite your elected officials and members of the local media. Designate spokespeople—we recommend one from the mosque and one from your group—and prepare them with talking points
- **Register** your event with us so we can track this work across the country.
<http://bit.ly/2kojMXT>
- **Amplify** the event on social media. Create a Facebook event. We will help you this week with downloadable materials, fact sheets, media and social media support materials. Share pictures and videos of your event on social media using #WeAreAllAmerica

*Our sincere thanks to our friends at **Church World Service** for their contributions to this How To guide

1. Contact your local interfaith coalitions, immigrant organizations, and faith leaders



2. Reach out to the local mosque, masjid, Islamic Center or Muslim organization



3. Reference tools on the Executive Orders to gather talking points and write a media advisory

Find tools at

www.partnershipfornewamericans.org/america

4. Gather local leaders for a meeting or call ASAP

Create a plan about what you want the action to look like. A human chain? A vigil? A public Jummah prayer? A press event?

Divide roles for outreach, media coordination, spokespeople, follow up, etc.

5. Make a Facebook event and spread the word on social media



JAN 27 Interfaith Action & Jummah Prayer for Immigrant Communities

Public · Neighborhood · Hosted by The New York Immigration Coalition

Friday, January 27 at 1 PM - 2 PM EST
3 days ago

Foley Square
111 Worth St, New York, New York 10013 [Show Map](#)



Details

Please join [The New York Immigration Coalition](#), [Majlis Al Shura: The Islamic Leadership Council of Greater NY](#), and the [Inter-Faith Clergy of New York City](#) on Friday January 27th, to stand with our Muslim and immigrant brothers and sisters. Together, we will push back against any attacks from the Trump Administration. Muslims are our neighbors, our fellow New Yorkers, our fellow Americans and we vow to support them.

WHAT: Jummah Prayer and Rally for New York's Immigrants & Muslims

WHERE: Foley Square

WHEN: Friday, January 27th at 1:00 PM

The action will begin with hosting a Jummah Prayer at Foley Square. (Jummah prayer is a congregational prayer (ṣalāt) that Muslims hold every Friday).

We will hear from Imam Khalid Latif, and other interfaith leaders. Allies not participating in Jummah Prayer will link arms, standing silently in solidarity. If we have a large number of attendees, post prayer we will form a human chain in front of or around 26 Federal Plaza.

For more information please contact cpinto@nyic.org.

6. Register your event so we can help amplify!

Enter event details in this form <http://bit.ly/2kojMXT> to register your event on the full list.

The list of events will exist on www.partnershipfornewamericans.org/america

7. Invite the local media and get attention for the event before and after

Send out a media advisory at least a day ahead of time and follow up with a press release after the event

Consider having faith leaders write an Op-Ed for the local paper

*templates will soon be available on

www.partnershipfornewamericans.org/america

8. Share your beautiful work with the world!

Take pictures and share on social media
#WeAreAllAmerica #NoBanNoWall

We will be retweeting, sharing, and compiling all info shared via #WeAreAllAmerica

Resources

Find media guides, social media tools and graphics, talking points, and more on:
partnershipfornewamericans.org/america

Email info@partnershipfornewamericans.org
with any questions/suggestions

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