



Dear Students, Faculty and Staff,

We know some members of the San Diego State University community have both questions and concerns about planned immigration enforcement actions as U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials intend to pursue the arrest of thousands of individuals who are undocumented as early as this weekend.

SDSU will strongly support the success, safety, and well-being of all members of our community, no matter their immigration status. Also, with this message, we are sharing information intended to answer questions and help facilitate a process that will connect students, faculty and staff with academic, legal and other support, as they need assistance.

The California State University system also maintains a site with information and resources for members of our community who are undocumented. You can learn about campus support, legal support services, enrollment, employment and travel for students who are undocumented by visiting: <https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/student-services/resources-for-undocumented-students/Pages/default.aspx>

SDSU has not received any notice of immigration related concerns or pending action against any of its students, faculty or staff. The university is committed to the safety and belonging for all SDSU students and staff, including those who are undocumented and those from a mixed-immigration status family. We ask that you please share this information as you are able, or if you are approached by someone who needs support.

RESOURCES FOR BOTH STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES

The **Undocumented Resource Area (URA)** is a part of the Office of Educational Opportunity Programs (EOP). URA provides undocumented students guidance and support in navigating the campus and local community resources to support their well-being and enhance their educational achievement and timely progress toward a university degree. The URA is open to all undocumented students (including those with mixed-status families), faculty/staff and allies as well as the community at large. The URA is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Contact the office at 619-594-6298 or visit the website: http://studentaffairs.sdsu.edu/EOP/Modern/AB540_new.html.

The **San Diego Rapid Response Network (SDRRN)** is a coalition of human rights and service organizations, attorneys, and community leaders dedicated to

aiding immigrants and their families in the San Diego border region. The SDRRN was activated to respond to increased immigration enforcement activities within San Diego County and humanitarian issues arising at the border, including widespread family separation and unjust deportation of asylum seekers presenting at the Port-of-Entry. Call 619-536-0823 or visit <http://www.rapidresponsesd.org/> for more information, or call the 24-hour emergency hotline at 619-536-0823.

UndocuAlly training is offered during the academic year to both detail key resources and create a community of allies for undocumented students. To learn more, contact Undocumented Resource Area Coordinator Cynthia Torres by emailing atctorres@sdsu.edu.

ReadyNow San Diego has a list of Low-cost legal service agencies and a list of private bar immigration attorneys that can help you with your immigration case. See details online: <http://readynowsandiego.org/legal-assistance/>

Jewish Family Services of San Diego is a client-centered, impact-driven organization working to build a stronger, healthier, more resilient San Diego. The organization maintains a network of staff, volunteers, supporters, and community partners committed to the pursuit of helping individuals and families in San Diego. More information is available online: <https://jfssd.org/our-services/refugees-immigration/>

The **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)** advocates for individual rights and fundamental freedoms for all through education, litigation and public advocacy. More information is online: <https://www.aclusandiego.org/>.

RESOURCES FOR SDSU STUDENTS

Associated Students has arranged for free legal assistance to students through a partnership with a local legal services organization. Students concerned about their immigration status can find information on how to access legal services at: <https://as.sdsu.edu/azteclegal/>.

Students experiencing an emergency related to food or housing security should contact the **Economic Crisis Response Team (ECRT)**, a group of on- and off-campus members who connect SDSU students with resources when they have an immediate need. Email ecrt@mail.sdsu.edu or visit http://go.sdsu.edu/student_affairs/ecrt for more information. Also, Associated Students, which may be reached at 619-594-6555, operates a Food Pantry and sponsors other food insecurity initiatives for SDSU students. More information is available online: <https://as.sdsu.edu/foodinsecurity/>.

Counseling and Psychological Services supports students on a broad number of issues. The office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 619-594-5220, email psycserv@mail.sdsu.edu or visit http://go.sdsu.edu/student_affairs/cps.

Dean of Students Randy Timm is available to address any individual student concerns. His office may be reached at 619-594-5211 or by email via deanofstudents@mail.sdsu.edu. Students at SDSU's Imperial Valley Campus can contact Miguel Rahiotis, assistant dean of student affairs, at 760-768-5598 or by emailing mrahioti@sdsu.edu.

RESOURCES FOR SDSU EMPLOYEES

Faculty can contact the **Office of Faculty Advancement** at 619-594-6111 and staff can contact the **Center for Human Resources** at 619-594-6404 for support.

The **Employee Assistance Program** offers SDSU faculty and staff confidential support for a variety of concerns, including emotional, relationship, health, legal and workplace issues. Information, resources and tools are available by calling 1-800-342-8111 and visiting the website: <https://sdsuedu.sharepoint.com/sites/BFA/HR/benefits/Pages/eap.aspx>.

Our SDSU main campus and SDSU Imperial Valley communities are vibrant because they include students, staff, and faculty who live, work, and have family members on both sides of the U.S-Mexico border. We care deeply about their well-being and success, and offer year-round assistance and support. Both SDSU and the University Police Department strongly support the success, safety, and well-being of all members of our community, without regard for immigration status.

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