

THE END OF DACA

WHAT WORKING PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW

The Trump administration recently announced it will end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. If you or a family member, co-worker, neighbor or friend have or are eligible for DACA, here are some important questions to consider:

Do you currently have DACA?

If **NO**, it is too late to apply, even if you are eligible. Your union will continue to stand with you and fight to finally win a pathway to citizenship.

If **YES**, you will maintain your status until the expiration date listed on your paperwork. However, you no longer will be given permission to travel abroad. If you have been granted advance parole already, please consult a lawyer before leaving the country.

When does your DACA expire?

If it expires **AFTER March 5, 2018**, your work authorization will remain active until the date listed on your Employment Authorization Document.

If it expires **BEFORE March 5, 2018**, you can apply to renew your status for another two years. However, the deadline for renewal applications is **Oct. 5, 2017**, so it is essential that you begin the process right away.

Have you started your DACA renewal application?

If **YES**, nice work! Remember that the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services must *receive* your application by Oct. 5, 2017—a postmark on that date will be too late.

If **NO**, your union can help you find support to prepare your application, and may be able to lend assistance in raising funds to pay the application fee.

Is there any hope to preserve the protections of DACA?

YES! The DREAM Act of 2017 not only would preserve the work authorization of DACA recipients, but it also would afford these young people a long-overdue pathway to citizenship. This bipartisan legislation would allow young men and women who are part of our workforce, serving in the military or pursuing higher education to plan for the future and contribute more fully to our communities, our unions and our economy. When you contact your members of Congress to urge support for the DREAM Act, make sure you demand that they pass a **clean bill** with no punitive enforcement or anti-workers' rights provisions.

Your union will be with you in this fight until *all* working people have rights on the job and in the community!

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