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SC Interfaith Immigration Initiatives

Dear Faith Leader,

In recent months, increased negativity towards immigrants in the United States has led to increased fear and anxiety among this community. We have received reports of bullying of immigrant students in schools, and we have heard stories of fear and discrimination. Due to these increased concerns, many of our partner organizations have taken the initiative to seek out resources and strategies to increase support to the immigrant families they serve.

We ask that, in your work, you consider the need for Sunday School teachers, youth leaders, parents and congregants to recognize signs that a child is being bullied and provide guidance for them to advocate for children if an incident occurs.

We invite you to explore the resources available on our SC United with Immigrants coalition website: www.sc-united.org. Some of the resources available to schools, may also be helpful to you in your work with immigrant families in your churches.

Additionally, SC Interfaith Immigration Initiatives (SCIII) plans to organize interfaith partners to support the legislative advocacy efforts of some of our partner organizations. Please visit our webpage at www.sciii.weebly.com for more information and to connect with us.

Thank you for your commitment to welcoming and valuing immigrant families.

Sincerely,

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