



2022 Action Plan

With your activism & support, we can advance towards a more just U.S. policy in the Americas!

Defend the Rights of Migrants & Refugees

- Pass permanent protections for the Dreamers & for the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) members of our communities.
- Ensure that the U.S. government fully rescinds the cruel anti-asylum policies and restores access to asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border.
- Call for an expansion of access to protection across the region, instead of militarized enforcement, so that migrants and refugees don't have to make the journey north to seek safety.
- Hold the Department of Homeland Security accountable for its treatments of migrants at the border and abuses by agents.

Uphold Justice, Defend the Defenders

- Insist that the U.S. government stand NOT with corrupt officials & security forces but with civil society activists working for change in the Americas. Advocate for the rollback of increasingly restrictive laws that make it difficult for human rights activists to defend rights, and that all too often land them in jail.
- Urge the Biden Administration to make a real transformation of U.S. policy towards Honduras, to stop supporting corrupt elites and start supporting the rights of its citizens.
- Ensure that U.S. aid supports LGBTQ+ rights & women's rights, indigenous & Afro-descendant rights, and efforts by civil society groups to hold their governments accountable throughout the Americas.

Promote Peace

- Convince the administration to ensure U.S. policy in Colombia focuses on implementing the peace accords, protecting human rights defenders, advancing the rights of Afro-Colombian and indigenous people, and confronting police brutality and racial injustice.
- Ensure that President Biden fulfills his pledge to reorient U.S. policy towards Cuba, fully reopening diplomatic relations with Cuba, restoring rights for U.S. citizens to travel to the island, lifting restrictions on humanitarian aid and remittances, and moving towards normalization of relations.
- Shift U.S. aid programs to Latin America from supporting militaries to meeting humanitarian needs, including a focus to help countries deal with & recover from the global pandemic & address climate change.

Support Communities' Land, Environmental, and Economic Rights

- Insist that the U.S. strategies to address & mitigate climate change include *the protection of indigenous, Afro-descendant, and community leaders*, who face threats for their work protecting the planet.
- Partner with environmental groups to ensure that the U.S. government adopts specific policies to promote the protection of environmental and land rights defenders.
- Urge the Colombian government to implement the Ethnic Chapter of the peace accords to protect Afro-descendant & indigenous communities & their collective land rights.

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