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Statement from Kathryn Freeman, director of CLC public policy, in response to President Trump's repeal of DACA

AUSTIN—"Our hearts are saddened today as almost 800,000 young people actively living in our communities have been told they can no longer live among us unless Congress takes action. This announcement throws the lives of these young people into chaos as they are now fearful about their future in this country. These young people have grown up in our neighborhoods, attended our schools and churches and are leaders in our communities. This program allowed them to have legal status, which allowed them to positively contribute to the communities and the country they love.

President Trump's plan to rescind Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals is part of a bigger problem. Current immigration law is broken and needs broad reform in order to better serve our nation's economic and humanitarian interests. The truth is that we are called to care for our neighbors—those with and without documentation.

Micah 6:8 tells us what God requires—to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. If we are to take this command seriously, we need to pray for and minister to Dreamers and their families in this time of fear and uncertainty. Finally, we should join together and call on our elected officials to work in a bipartisan manner to fix our broken immigration system and provide legal status to these young people."

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