

INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES: VOTE NO ON RECONCILIATION BILL THAT WILL DECIMATE CRITICAL SOCIAL PROGRAMS TO SEND BILLIONS TO CRUEL BORDER POLICIES AND MASS DEPORTATION

Senators must stand against the attacks on immigrants and people seeking safety and defend critical funding that helps all of our communities to thrive.

Every day, billions of taxpayer dollars fuel a system that keeps tens of thousands of immigrants and people seeking safety locked up by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in a sprawling network of over 200 immigration detention facilities while they navigate complicated court proceedings behind bars. Billions more taxpayer dollars have fueled militarization and crackdowns at the border that have left thousands of people seeking safety stranded in Mexico under great threat of violence, denied their human right to seek safety in the United States, all while border communities are left without the resources they need to thrive.

In just the first six months in office, President Trump has already put the mass detention and deportation machine in overdrive. Americans across the country are watching masked, plain-clothes ICE officers conduct raids that terrorize communities, arrest students for exercising their right to protest, disappear people to cruel

prisons in other countries, and make our immigrant friends and neighbors live in fear. The Trump Administration is eroding the rule of law and unlawfully, ignoring court orders, arresting U.S. legal residents and citizens, detaining children and families well beyond the legal limit, and overcrowding and expanding cruel and abusive detention centers. Private prison companies are reaping profits as the detention of children, families, and adults skyrockets. Taxpayer dollars are being used for cruel and costly spectacles like sending people to Guantanamo Bay, diverting agents from other law enforcement agencies to engage in immigration enforcement, spreading fear in armored trucks and tactical gear in our neighborhoods, and beleaguering the already backlogged immigration courts. The Trump Administration is further revoking protections like Temporary Protected Status and humanitarian parole, leaving thousands more people without any type of status or ability to work, pay taxes, and provide for their families. ICE is arresting people showing up to court and

their check-ins, making people afraid to comply with immigration laws. The right to seek asylum no longer exists at the U.S./Mexico border, and border communities see increased militarization and surveillance in their daily lives.

Now, Congress is moving forward with a reconciliation bill that will direct **over \$150 billion dollars** to further expand the reach of President Trump's mass deportation, mass detention, and border militarization plans. The Trump Administration wants to fund these policies that disrupt families, communities, and our local and national economy by cutting lifesaving federal programs like Medicaid, food stamps, nutrition assistance for children, and student loans.

Communities across the country are struggling to make ends meet, while their leaders invest billions of their hard-earned tax dollars on expensive and cruel mass deportation and deterrence efforts rather than policies and programs that will help all our communities thrive.

Members of Congress must strongly oppose President Trump's "One Big Beautiful Bill" that gives over \$150 billion of unchecked taxpayer dollars to:

- **massively expand mass detention and mass deportation:**
- **threaten unaccompanied children's rights**
- **penalize seeking asylum with a new \$1,000 fine:**
- **significantly change immigration law,**
- **and allow for more human rights violations**

All at the expense of programs that help all of our communities. This bill will result in

- **14 million people losing access to their health insurance;**
- **Nearly 11 million people, including 4 million children, would be at risk of losing food assistance**
- **About 14 million children who rely on both Medicaid and SNAP will be put at risk of poverty and hunger;**
- **Cuts to Medicaid funding for some states by 10% just to punish states that decided to extend coverage to some immigrant communities. billionaires.**

This reconciliation package will add trillions to the national debt while giving tax breaks to billionaires, in order to fuel attacks against immigrants and working people. Experts have said that the cuts to healthcare and poverty programs would inflict harm with a **"serious and generational in scope,"** including shrinking lifespans and worse educational and career outcomes for young people

CONGRESS MUST LISTEN AND INVEST IN COMMUNITIES:

Members of Congress should use their power of the purse to vote NO on this absurd and cruel reconciliation package. Cutting critical social programs like Medicaid, food assistance, and student loans in order to fuel policies that disrupt communities and the economy makes no sense. Instead, our taxpayer dollars should be used to keep families together and give our communities the resources they need to thrive.

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