



IMMIGRANT LEGAL ADVOCACY PROJECT

ILAP Condemns DACA Rescission
Will Provide Free Legal Consultations to DACA Recipients

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The Immigrant Legal Advocacy Program (ILAP) condemns in the strongest terms the rescission today by the Trump Administration of the DACA Program - Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. DACA recipients, or Dreamers, are the almost 800,000 hardworking determined young people who came to the U.S. before 2008 as children and who now work, go to school, serve in our armed forces, and have deep roots in our communities and in the United States. Although the vast majority of Americans from all parties, support providing legal status for Dreamers, today's announcement starts a clock ticking toward the end of that status for all of ILAP's DACA clients and for every other Dreamer.

ILAP stands with our Dreamers-our Maine DACA recipients and nationwide. We will provide free legal consultations to DACA recipients in Maine, and we will conduct outreach to affected communities. We will do all we can to help our DACA clients and their families to understand and act in the new "countdown" environment. We will do all we can to push back against today's abandonment of DACA young people by working with legislators, colleagues and communities to enact legislation that preserves and supports the status of Dreamers.