

Fast for Families Across America: A Call for Immigration Reform and Citizenship

The Fast for Families campaign ended their fast on the National Mall on December 12, 2013 with a commissioning to the country to continue to Act. Fast. & Pray until immigration reform is achieved.

This year we have a real opportunity to pass immigration legislation that will bring justice and dignity to millions of immigrants. In order to continue to educate the public and focus America and Congress' attention on the moral crisis and suffering caused by our broken immigration system-people dying daily in their attempts to migrate for better opportunities, thousands of children separated daily from their families due to our broken immigration system, and an immigration policy that today does not comport with American values, the Fast for Families campaign will be traveling to 130+ Congressional Districts across the country to continue the conversation between Members of Congress and their constituents in their districts and to broaden support for reform from all sectors of society.

Goals of the Fast for Families Across America:

- To build on the momentum sparked by the Fast for Families;
- To educate the public in order to increase the level of urgency to act to end the moral crisis created by our broken immigration system;
- To be visible in the districts of key Members of Congress so they see that immigration reform is about real people and commit to take action in support of reform;
- To call to action in our communities we act, we fast, we pray.
- To go deeper and engage more communities than have previously been engaged-recommitment to action.

The Fast for Families campaign is a collaboration between diverse partners from the faith, immigrant, labor, and civil rights communities and individuals committed to fixing our broken immigration system.

The "Fast for Families Across America Tour" will kick off on January 27 (around MLK day) and end on April 9th (around Cesar Chavez day) in Washington DC as Congress is still in session and preparing to return to their districts for a two week recess and will progress in two phases.

Phase I will run from **January 27th - February 21st** and will consist of fasters participating in events, Congressional visits, and community meetings in 61 key Congressional districts to engage constituents in these districts to draw attention to the moral crisis caused by our broken immigration system and to organize community action beyond these visits to encourage Congress to act to fix our broken immigration system. In **Phase I**, 2-3 fasters will travel either by plane, train or driving to nearby districts.

Phase II will run from **February 24th through April 9th** (during the Lenten/Mardi Gras period) and will include a bus tour with the fasters stopping in 76 key Congressional districts for community events, Congressional visits, and community meetings to engage constituents in these districts to draw attention to the moral crisis caused by our broken immigration system and organize community action beyond these visits to encourage Congress to act to fix our broken immigration system. In **Phase II**, two buses will launch from California (one traveling along a Northern route from the West to the East and the other bus traveling along a Southern route from the West to the East to meet in Washington DC at the end of the tour on April 9th. The concluding event on April 9th in DC will also entail visits to the Congressional offices at the Capitol and continue to draw attention to the plight caused by our broken immigration system.

How you can support the Fast for Families Across America:

- Organize a Fast for Families event in your district either in Phase I or Phase II to continue the drumbeat and build support for reform
- Join us on the bus for a leg of the tour to help us draw attention to the moral crisis caused by our broken immigration system
- Engage your contacts and organizations to support the Fast for Families and bring attention to the need for

immigration reform

- Fast for a Day Starting on Wednesday March 5th, commit to fast one day a week from March 5th-April 9th
- Donate to support the Fast for Families Across America (donations are tax deductible)

The cities have been selected based on the following criteria:

- Key Congressional districts
- Cities where we have a vibrant and energized movement.

Fasters will be received by the community and participate in day long events including meetings with faith, labor, business and community leaders/organizations. There will be daily events and will finish with a large community meeting, modeled after the community meetings at the tent. Along the way we would ask local elected leaders, celebrities, and other high profile people to get on the bus (or join the caravan) to go to the next city or cities and be available to give statements, share their stories and add to the collective voice.

The Call to Action:

- Continue to call on Congress to support immigration reform and bring forward a vote on CIR by shining a light on the moral crisis caused by our broken immigration system
- Calls to MOC's
- Pledge to act
- Pledge to move 5 friends/family to act

Timeline:

Jan 27th: Announce the "F4F Across America" with press events in Speaker Boehner's District and in DC

Jan 29-Feb 21: Phase I launches in 61 districts

Feb 24th: Phase II Bus Tour launches from Los Angeles to travel to 76 districts (Bus 1 travels North to East,

Bus 2 travels South to East)

March 5th: Start of Lent/Mardi Gras. Weekly one day fasts launch on Wednesday March 5th & ending April 9

March 31: Cesar Chavez Day

April 9th: Conclusion of Fast 4 Families Across America with an event in DC/Week of

Witnessing @ Capitol. The two buses arrive and deliver letters, pictures and/or a quilt/banner collected in each city representing the fabric/mosaic of our communities. Rally would be in the same tone of the Fast (Act.Fast.Pray.) Send Members of Congress home to reflect on crisis and commit to action when

they return

April 20th: Easter sunrise services/or church services or events where immigration is messaged into

the day. Passover services where possible as well.

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Phase I January 27th – February 21st

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Date	Congressional District	City	Date	Congressional District	City
TBD	AR-2 Tim Griffin	Little Rock, AR	TBD	NJ-11 Rodney Frelinghuysen	Parsippany, NJ
TBD	AR-1 Rick Crawford	Lonoke, AR	TBD	NJ-7 Leonard Lance	Bridgewater, NJ
2/6/14	CA-21 David Valadao	Delano, CA	TBD	NJ-3 Jon Runyan	Mt. Laurel, NJ
1/29/14	CA-22 Devin Nunes	Visalia, CA	TBD	NY-19 Chris Gibson	Hudson, NY
2/5/14	CA-10 Jeff Denham	Modesto, CA (or other cities as appropriate)	TBD	NY-23 Tom Reed	Ithaca, NY
Pending Week of 2/2/14	CA - Jim Costa	Fresno, CA	TBD	NY-22 Richard Hanna	Utica, NY
2/5/14	CA-36 Raul Ruiz	Palm Springs, CA	Pending Week of 2/10 or 2/17	OH-10 Michael Turner	Dayton, OH
2/5/14	CO-4 Cory Gardner	Greeley, CO	Pending Week of 2/10 or 2/17	OH-12 Pat Tiberi	Westerville, OH
2/6/14	FL-15 Dennis Ross	Lakeland, FL	Pending Week of 2/10 or 2/17	OH-1 Steve Chabot	Lebanon, OH
2/5/14	FL-7 John Mica	Deltona, FL	1/31/14	OR-3 Earl Blumenauer	Portland, OR
Week of 2/10/14	GA-10 Paul Broun	Greensboro, GA	TBD	PA-3 Mike Kelly	Butler, PA
Week of 2/10/14	GA-7 Rob Woodall	Duluth, GA	TBD	PA-12 Keith Rothfus	Wexford, PA
Week of 2/10/14	GA-14 Tom Graves	Rome, GA	TBD	PA-18 Tim Murphy	Pittsburgh, PA
Week of 2/10/14	GA-9 Doug Collins	Gainsville, GA	TBD	PA-4 Scott Perry	Reading, PA
Week of 2/10/14	IA-4 Steve King	Fort Dodge, IA	TBD	PA-8 Mike Fitzpatrick	Doylestown, PA
Week of 2/10/14	IA-3 Tom Latham	Des Moines, IA	TBD	PA-16 Joe Pitts	Lancaster, PA
TBD	IL-16 Adam Kinzinger	Peru, IL	TBD	PA-5 Glenn Thompson	State College, PA
TBD	IL-7 Danny Davis & Congressman Gutierrez	Chicago, IL	TBD	PA-10 Tom Marino	Williamsport, PA
TBD	IL-15 John Shimkus	Olney, IL	TBD	SC-5 Mick Mulvaney	Camden, SC
TBD	IL-14 Randy Hultgren	Woodstock, IL	Week of 2/17/14	TN-8 Stephen Fincher	Jackson, TN
2/5/14	IL-3 Dan Lipinski	Burbank, IL	Week of	TN-6 Diane Black	Lebanon, TN
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TBD	IN-8 Larry Bucshon	Terre Haute, IN	2/5/14	TX-7 John Culberson	Houston, TX
TBD	IN-6 Luke Messer	Richmond, IN	Week of 2/17/14	TX- 10 Michael McCaul	LaGrange, TX
TBD	IN-3 Marlin Stutzman	Fort Wayne, IN	Week of 2/17/14	TX-8 Kevin Brady	Huntsville, TX
TBD	IN-9 Todd Young	Bloomington, IN	Week of 2/17/14	TX-1 Louis Gohmert	Longview, TX
TBD	MI-2 Bill Huizenga	Muskegon, MI	TBD	UT-3 Jason Chaffetz	Provo UT
TBD	MN-3 Erik Paulsen	Plymouth, MN	TBD	VA-2 Scott Rigell	Virgina Beach**
TBD	MO-2 Ann Wagner	Chesterfield MO	TBD	VA-1 Rob Wittman	Milford, VA
TBD	MS-1 Alan Nunnelee	Tupelo, MS	1/30/14	WA-7 Jim McDermott	Seattle, WA
TBD	NC-11 Mark Meadows	Franklin, NC	Week of 2/10/14	WA-8 Dave Reichert	Buckley, WA
Pending Week of 2/2/14	NC-12 VACANT SEAT	Charlotte, NC	TBD	WI-7 Sean Duffy	Wausau, WI
Pending Week of 2/2/14	NC-9 Robert Pittenger	Matthews, NC	TBD	WI-8 Reid Ribble	Green Bay, WI
Pending Week of 2/2/14	NC-8 Richard Hudson	Albemarle, NC	TBD	WI-2 Mark Pocan	Madison, WI
Pending Week of 2/17/14	NE-2 Lee Terry	Omaha, NE			

Phase II Bus Tour February 24th – April 9th

	Bus 1: Northern Route*			Bus 2: Southern Route	
Date	District/MOC	Proposed City	Date	District/MOC	Proposed City
2/24/2014	Bus Tour Launch	Los Angeles, CA	2/24/2014	Bus Tour Launch	Los Angeles, CA
2/24 & 2/25	CA-25 Buck McKeon	Santa Clarita, CA	2/24 & 2/25	CA-39 Ed Royce	Fullerton, CA
2/26/2014	CA-23 Kevin McCarthy	Bakersfield, CA	2/26/2014	CA-49 Darrel Issa	Carlsbad, CA
2/27/2014	CA-12 Nancy Pelosi	San Francisco, CA	2/27/2014	CA-31 Gary Miller	San Bernardino, CA
2/28/2014	NV-2 Mark Amodei	Reno, NV	2/28/2014	NV-3 Joe Heck	Las Vegas, NV
3/3/2014	OR-2 Greg Walden	Bend, OR	3/3/2014	AZ-8 Trent Franks	Sun City, AZ
3/4/2014	WA-3 Jamie Herrera Buetler	Vancouver, WA	3/3/2014	AZ-5 Matt Salmon	Gilbert, AZ

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3/5/2014	WA-4 Doc Hastings	Yakima, WA	3/4/2014	NM-2 Steve Pearce	Las Cruces, NM
3/6/2014	WA-5 Cathy McMorris Rodgers	Spokane, WA	3/5/2014	TX-27 Blake Farenthold	Corpus Christi, TX
3/7/2014	ID-1 Raul Labrador	Meridian, ID	3/6/2014	TX-14 Randy Weber	Galveston, TX
3/10/2014	UT-2 Chris Stewart	Salt Lake City, UT	3/7/2014	TX-2 Ted Poe	Houston, TX
3/11/2014	CO-3 Scott Tipton	Pueblo, CO	3/7/2014	TX-22 Pete Olson	Sugar Land, TX
3/12/2014	CO-6 Mike Coffman	Aurora, CO	3/10/2014	TX-31 John Carter	Temple, TX
3/14/2014	MN-2 John Kline	Burnsville, MN	3/10/2014	TX-17 Bill Flores	Waco, TX
3/17/2014	WI-5 James Sensenbrenner	Brookfield, WI	3/11/2014	TX-6 Joe Barton	Arlington, TX
3/18/2014	WI-1 Paul Ryan	Racine, WI	3/11/2014	TX-3 Sam Johnson	Plano, TX
3/19/2014	IL-6 Peter Roskam	Wheaton	3/12/2014	OK-4 Tom Cole	Norman,OK
3/20/2014	IL-18 Aaron Schock, IL-13 Rodney Davis	Springfield, IL	3/12/2014	OK-5 James Lankford	Oklahoma City, OK
3/21/2014	IN-4 Todd Rokita	Lafayette, IN	3/13/2014	AR- 3 Steve Womack	Fayetteville, AR
3/24/2014	IN-2 Jackie Walorski	South Bend, IN	3/14/2014	LA-1 Steve Scalise	New Orleans, LA
3/25/2014	MI-6 Fred Upton	Kalamazoo, MI	3/17/2014	AL-6 Spencer Bachus	Birmingham, AL
3/26/2014	MI-3 Justin Amash	Grand Rapids, MI	3/18/2014	FL-2 Steve Southerland	Tallahassee, FL
3/26/2014	MI-4 Dave Camp	Lansing, MI	3/19/2014	FL-16 Vern Buchanan	Sarasota, FL
3/28/2014	OH-8 John Boehner	Springfield, OH	3/20/2014	FL-17 Tom Rooney	Arcadia, FL
3/31/2014	OH-14 David Joyce	Solon, OH	3/21/2014	FL-26 Joe Garcia	Kendall Lakes, FL
4/1/2014	PA-15 Charlie Dent	Hershey, PA	3/21/2014	FL-25 Mario Diaz Balart	Miami, FL
4/2/2014	PA-7 Pat Meehan	Villanova, PA	3/24/2014	FL-23 Debbie Wasserman Shultz	Hollywood, FL
4/3/2014	NY-11 Michael Grimm	Staten Island, NY	3/25/2014	FL-10 Dan Webster	Orlando, FL
4/3/2014	NY-2 Peter King	Long Island City, NY	3/26/2014	GA-5 John Lewis	Atlanta, GA

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4/4/2014	MA-4 Joe Kennedy	Newton, MA	3/27/2014	SC-4 Trey Gowdy	Greenville, SC
4/7/2014	NJ-4 Chris Smith	Trenton, NJ	3/28/2014	NC-7 Mike McIntyre	Clinton, NC
4/8/2014	NJ-2 Frank LoBiondo	Atlantic City, NJ	3/31/2014	NC-2 Renee Ellmers	Sanford, NC
4/9/2014		Washington, DC	4/1/2014	NC-13 George Holding	Wake Forest, NC
			4/2/2014	NC-6 Howard Coble	Greensboro, NC
			4/3/2014	WV-3 Nick Rahall	Huntington, WV
			4/4/2014	VA-4 Randy Forbes	Chester, VA
			4/4/2014	VA-7 Eric Cantor	Richmond, VA
			4/7/2014	VA-6 Bob Goodlatte	Harrisonburg, VA
			4/8/2014	VA-10 Frank Wolf	Leesburg, VA
			4/9/2014		Washington DC

*Note: Districts subject to change