Trans & Queer Migration
Uplifting UndocuQueer Youth Activism

Created by the Youth Organizing Team
Introductions

Type in the chat or share out loud:

❖ Name
❖ Pronouns
❖ School or grade
❖ Question of the Day: If you could have any cartoon character’s voice, whose would it be?

Source: Transgender Law Center
Agenda

- Welcome & Community Agreements
- Wellness Tip
- Jeopardy!
- UndocuQueer/Trans Movement Timeline
- Where Are We Now?
- Closing & Announcements

Source: AshlukaDraws
Today’s Goals

- Get wellness tips to practice self love during this time
- Build awareness of trans and queer youth leaders’ contributions to the immigrant rights movement in the U.S.

Source: Familia Trans Queer Liberation Movement
Sample Community Agreements

Be as present as you can.
1) Mute audio
2) Try on video
3) Use the chat box

“Vegas Rule”
What’s said here stays here; what’s learned here leaves here.

“Right to Pass”

Community Garden
→Chat it!

Intent vs. Impact

Use content warnings.

Understand informed consent.
Wellness: Journaling

Prompts:

1. How did your family come to the USA?
2. If you could migrate elsewhere, where would you go and why?
3. What comes to mind when you think of “immigration”?

Source: MainLine Today
UndocuQueer & Trans Jeopardy!
UndocuQueer & Trans Movement

Every person who immigrates to the U.S. has a unique story with many layers.

- They have intersecting identities: Gender (cis womxn, trans womxn, cis men, trans men, agender, etc.), sexual orientation, race, language, religion, and more

- People of color have very different immigration stories from people who come from Europe

Source: Forward Together
California DREAM Act: Provides *undocumented students* with financial aid and in-state tuition

Federal DREAM Act: Would provide *undocumented youth* with a pathway to citizenship. It passed in the U.S. House of Representatives but died in the Senate.

Clean Dream Act: What do you think this means?

Source: Immigrant Law Center of MN
June 15th, 2012

- After many years of activism and advocacy, undocumented youth can legally work and live in the USA (with restrictions).

- 13 states now provide driver licenses for undocumented people: California, Colorado, Delaware, Connecticut, New York, Utah, New Mexico, Maryland, Illinois, Vermont, Washington, and Hawaii.

Source: Power to the Poster
Onward

Trans and queer leaders continued to fight for undocumented immigrants rights

- Example: Jennicet Gutierrez, a trans immigrant, continues her fight for trans women held in detention centers by disrupting Obama

- The fight to protect undocumented immigrants continues, because DACA is not granted to everyone

Artist: @amir.khadar
Timeline: 2017

- September 2017: Trump announces he is ending DACA
- CA passes the TRUTH ACT (Transparent Review of Unjust Transfers and Holds): Local police can no longer work with ICE
- Children are being separated at the border

Source: AshlukaDraws
Current Movement

- LGBTQ+ Black and Latinx youth are continuing the fight to save DACA
- Young people in Kern County fight to free womxn from ICE prisons
- Youth continue to fight for a Clean DREAM Act
- People are coming together to create mutual aid for DACA application fees

Source: Power to the Poster
THANK YOU!