

## **An Open Invitation to Candidates and Elected Officials from America's Voice**

Please Join Us for a DAPA Dinner Between April 7 and April 18

March 14, 2016

**On behalf of America's Voice, we are inviting all candidates running for office and current elected officials to join a DAPA-eligible family for dinner between April 7 and April 18 before the Supreme Court hears oral arguments on April 18 in Texas v. US.**

On November 20, 2014 President Obama announced the Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents (DAPA) policy and the expansion of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). DAPA would protect parents of US Citizen children from deportation and allow them to apply for a work permit. DACA applies to people who came to this country as children (commonly referred to as DREAMers) . However, after a lawsuit (Texas v. US) filed by the Texas governor and 25 other states, both DAPA and the expansion of DACA have been blocked by a federal court and the case will be heard by the US Supreme Court on April 18.

Regardless of your position on DAPA and DACA or your political affiliation, we invite you to break bread with some of these families to learn about the families most impacted by the Supreme Court case. See for yourself how they are just like other American families so you to learn about their lives and what they have at stake in this Supreme Court case.

According to Latino Decisions, 63% of Latino voters across the country say they personally know someone who is an undocumented immigrant, and immigration reform is already a critical issue for the 2016 elections. These voters, many of whom have US citizen family members and deep ties to their communities, want to know what each candidate proposes to do with the 11 million undocumented immigrants that currently reside in the United States and whether they support executive action to protect undocumented immigrants.

America's Voice and/or our partners have already hosted DAPA Dinners with presidential candidates [Martin O'Malley](#), [Hillary Clinton](#), and [Bernie Sanders](#) as well as [Senator Harry Reid](#), [Senator Dick Durbin](#), [Representative Bill Foster](#) and [Representative Ruben Gallego](#). By sitting down with DAPA-eligible individuals, you can learn more about their experiences and take the opportunity to lay out your own campaign's vision and goals on immigration.

Please [contact America's Voice](#) to set up a DAPA Dinner for your candidate.

Respectfully,

America's Voice