THE USA: A NATION OF NATIONS

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Growing Up in America

- Children of immigrants (both native born and foreign born) increased from 6% to 20%.

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US Foreign Born Population

Unauthorized immigrants 11.2 million (26.3%)

Legal immigrants 31.4 million (73.7%)

Naturalized citizens 17.8 million (41.8%)

Legal permanent residents 11.7 million (27.5%)

Temporary legal residents 1.9 million (4.5% of foreign-born residents)

Total U.S. foreign-born population: 42.5 million

Note: All numbers are rounded independently and are not adjusted to sum to the total U.S. figure or other totals.

Source: Pew Research Center estimates for 2012 based on augmented American Community Survey data from Integrated Public Use Microdata Series (IPUMS)

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Languages Spoken

% of immigrants ages 5 and older who speak ... at home

34 All others
44% Spanish
6 Chinese
16 English only
English language learners are virtually in every city and impacting 27 states significantly.
Young Latinos / Aging Whites

Hispanics are the nation's youngest major racial/ethnic group

Median age

- White 43
- Asian 36
- Black 33
- Hispanic 28

Note: Whites, blacks and Asians include only those who are single race and not Hispanic. Hispanics are of any race.
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Young Latinos

Nearly three-quarters of U.S.-born Hispanics are Millennials or younger

% among Hispanics

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In 2014, about two-thirds of Hispanic Millennials are U.S. born

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Millennials are born ‘81-’96
NEW DAY for US Catholicism

- Parishes needed in the West.
- Mission investment needed.
- Vocations need priority.

Approximately 55% of all U.S. Catholics under the age of 30 are Hispanic. 25 percent of all Catholic parishes in the country have Hispanic ministry (only 15 percent did in the 1980s). This percentage is expected to increase.
“These are kids who were brought here by their parents. They did nothing wrong. They've gone to school. They have pledged allegiance to the flag. Some of them have joined the military…By definition, if they're part of this program, they are solid, wonderful young people of good character. And it is my strong belief that the majority of the American people would not want to see suddenly those kids have to start hiding again.”
DACA

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals is a policy ordered by President Obama as an executive action that allows certain undocumented immigrants to the United States who entered the country before their 16th birthday and before June 2007 to receive a renewable two-year work permit and exemption from deportation. 1.7 million ‘eligible’

$465 fee, more than 600,000 granted status
- DACA works
- 60% - new job
- 50% - bank account
- 30% - credit card
DACA

- NIJC: We do not recommend applying for DACA at this time.

- If you have DACA, do not apply for advance parole. If you already have approved advance parole, return to the United States before January 20, 2017.

- Make an appointment for a legal consultation with a qualified legal service provider like NIJC as soon as possible to see if you are eligible for a permanent form of relief.

- If you have been a permanent resident for three or more years, consult with a legal service provider about preparing to apply for U.S. citizenship. If you have ever had an encounter with the police, do not apply unless you have consulted with an attorney.

- BEWARE OF SCAMS

RENEW in the next 3 weeks if already registered. More than 20% of undocumented youth may be eligible. Seek out legal counsel.
Pastoral Challenges...

1. Ethnic inclusion
   - A welcoming parish
2. Engagement
   - Providing Alternatives
     - DUI / Drugs = deportation
3. Sustained Education
4. Parental Support
5. Immigration Services
6. Meaning / Salvation / Hope
7. Advocacy: Be an active voice
Developing Leadership

Catholic K-12
Public education engagement
Faith based higher education
Specialized programs:

- Latino Leadership Initiative
- Immigrant Integration Lab

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Thank you

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