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Nebraska Appleseed to Attend Largest Convening of Immigration Advocates in Washington, Help Shape National Strategy to Win Immigration Reform This Year

Who:

Nebraska Appleseed, members of Congress and more than 700 advocates and allies representing immigration, labor, faith, civil rights and business groups, including: American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), America's Voice, Asian American Justice Center (AAJC), Center for American Progress, Center for Community Change, Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights in Los Angeles (CHIRLA), Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, National Council of La Raza (NCLR), National Immigration Forum, Pinos y Campesinos Unidos de Noroeste (PCUN), Service Employees International Union (SEIU), United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW) and United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

What:

The Reform Immigration for America Campaign Summit

When:

June 3-5, 2009

Events open to the press

Opening luncheon

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

Dinner: Civil rights, immigrant rights and worker rights

6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

National Town hall Meeting on Immigration Reform

10 a.m.

Thursday, June 4, 2009

* Church of the Reformation

212 East Capitol St., Washington, DC

Closing Dinner

6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 4, 2009

Where:

Ballroom (*except where otherwise noted)
Kellogg Conference Center
Gallaudet University
800 Florida Ave NE
Washington, D.C. 20002-3695

Why:

The national call for immigration reform begins June 3 when the Reform Immigration For America campaign hosts the largest convening of immigration reform advocates and allies of the year at Gallaudet University. More than 700 people have already registered to attend this Summit that will bring together leaders in the civil rights, immigrant rights, religious and labor movements. Members of Congress are also expected to participate in various portions of the Summit including the national town hall. At the Summit, participants will have the incredible opportunity to network, share stories, compare tactics and learn new skills in a variety of workshops. Hundreds will converge on Capitol Hill for congressional visits as part of the Summit activities. This Summit sets the stage for a White House meeting on immigration reform with members of Congress the following week.

Immigration groups are positioned to move the debate and win immigration reform this year. The Reform Immigration for America campaign, which will officially launch the first day of the Summit, will advocate for reform that offers a path to earned citizenship, protects workers, enhances our nation's security, promotes immigrant integration and keeps families together.

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Nebraska Appleseed, a nonprofit, nonpartisan public interest law project, is a national leader in addressing social problems facing vulnerable children without loving and permanent homes, low-income families working hard to make ends meet, and new immigrants seeking a better life. Nebraska Appleseed's current year action plan and description of its six program areas, significant litigation and policy reform successes, and broad-based accomplishments can be found at neappleseed.org.

Nebraska Appleseed is a part of the Appleseed network of independent state-based public interest law centers working to identify and address social injustices. The Appleseed network seeks to build a just society through education, legal advocacy, community activism and policy expertise by addressing root causes and producing practical, systemic solutions with broad implication. For more information visit appleseednetwork.org.

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The Campaign to Reform Immigration for America is a diverse coalition of advocates and organizations from faith, labor, law enforcement, business and immigrant communities committed to winning the votes needed to enact a just and comprehensive immigration reform bill in this session of Congress.