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Advocacy: V Encuentro Participants in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Give a Voice to the Nation's Dreamers

On Tuesday, January 6th, leaders from the nation's largest Archdiocese visited Washington, D.C., to give a voice to the more than 800,000 dreamers whose fates rest in the hands of the country's lawmakers. The visit took place during the annual Catholic Social Ministry Gathering, which brings hundreds of Catholics representing dioceses and Catholic social agencies from around the United States to the nation's capital for a week of prayer, learning, reflection, and action. At the end of the California delegation's meetings with Senator Feinstein's and Senator Harris' offices, representatives from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles delivered nearly 800 letters signed by Catholics leaders who participated in the Archdiocesan V Encuentro event on Saturday, January 27th. "People are anxious about the realities facing our sisters and brothers on the peripheries and are hungry for practical ways to help them," says Ernesto Vega, Chair of the V Encuentro Process for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The letter signing campaign, which also asked lawmakers to address the root causes of migration by preserving funding for humanitarian international assistance, was part of the "Missionary Action" that took place during the Archdiocese's Encuentro and was organized in collaboration with Catholic Relief Services, the Office of Religious Education, the Office of Immigration Affairs, and the Office of Life, Justice, and Peace of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

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