

# COLORADANS FOR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

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## Recommended Reading

### **General**

“Immigrants in the United States: A Profile,” American Friends Service Committee.

<http://www.afsc.org/immigrants-rights/learn/in-us.htm>

“The Framing of Immigration,” by George Lakoff and Sam Ferguson, May 20, 2006 on CommonDreams.org.

<http://www.commondreams.org/views06/0520-23.htm>

“The Roots of Migration,” American Friends Service Committee.

<http://www.afsc.org/immigrants-rights/learn/roots.htm>

“Bananas,” by Dr. Miguel De La Torre, Summer 2006 AFSC Colorado *Footsteps*.

[http://www.afsc.org/central/other/documents/afsc\\_2006\\_web.pdf](http://www.afsc.org/central/other/documents/afsc_2006_web.pdf)

### **Immigration History**

“Immigration in the U.S.—a history lesson,” by Tina Griego. Published May 11, 2006 in the Rocky Mountain News.

[http://www.rockymountainnews.com/drmn/news\\_columnists/article/0,1299,DRMN\\_86\\_4690168,00.html](http://www.rockymountainnews.com/drmn/news_columnists/article/0,1299,DRMN_86_4690168,00.html)

“Immigration Law and Policy,” American Friends Service Committee.

<http://www.afsc.org/immigrants-rights/learn/law-policy.htm>

### **NAFTA/Free Trade**

“South of the Border—The Impact of Mexico’s Economic Woes”, by Jeff Faux. Published on May 18, 2006 by the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/c/a/2006/05/18/EDGDOIJKQP1.DTL&type=printable>

“Trade Agreements Lead to Migration,” American Friends Service Committee.

<http://www.afsc.org/trade-matters/issues/trade-migration.htm>

“Exporting Cheap Corn and Ruin,” by Michael Pollan, on May 1, 2004, Independent Media Institute.

<http://www.alternet.org/story/18567/>

“US Helped Create Migrant Flow,” Erica Dahl-Bredine, September 22, 2006, National Catholic Reporter.

[http://ncronline.org/NCR\\_Online/archives2/2006c/092206/092206w.php](http://ncronline.org/NCR_Online/archives2/2006c/092206/092206w.php)

“Robin Hood in Reverse,” by Anuradha Mittal, June 22, 2006, the Oakland Institute.

[http://www.americas.org/item\\_28105](http://www.americas.org/item_28105)

### **Immigration and U.S. Jobs and Wages**

“Migration-US: Statistics Reveal More ‘Winners’ Than ‘Losers,’” by Peter Costantini in Inter Press Service News Agency, 2006.

<http://ipsnews.net/print.asp?idnews=33516>

“Migration-US: The Myth of Low-Wage Warfare,” by Peter Costantini in Inter Press Service News Agency, 2006.

<http://ipsnews.net/news.asp?idnews=33530>

“An Open Letter to Lou Dobbs,” by Andrea Batista Schlesinger, May 24, 2006, Drum Major Institute blog.

[http://www.dmiblog.net/archives/2006/05/an\\_open\\_letter\\_to\\_lou\\_dobbs\\_1.html](http://www.dmiblog.net/archives/2006/05/an_open_letter_to_lou_dobbs_1.html)

(We include this article because it makes many important points about the increasing economic insecurity of the U.S. middle class, the race to the bottom, the need for good jobs, and the need to raise workplace standards for all workers, including immigrants. However, we would prefer to frame the issue around what works for low-wage, as well as middle class, workers. We also would take issue with some of her comments about border security and terrorism.)

### **Immigration and Race**

“Exploitation Without Borders,” by Eisha Mason. Published May 11, 2006 in the *Black Commentator*.

[http://www.blackcommentator.com/183/183\\_exploitation\\_without\\_borders\\_mason.html](http://www.blackcommentator.com/183/183_exploitation_without_borders_mason.html)

“Immigrants and Racial/Ethnic Tensions,” American Friends Service Committee.

<http://www.afsc.org/immigrants-rights/learn/racial-ethnic.htm>

“They’re Taking Our Jobs,” by Roberto Rodriguez, May 30, 2005, Column of the Americas.

<http://www.voznuestra.com/Americas/2005/May/30>

“The New Culture War,” Rinku Sen, July 20, 2006, TomPaine.com.

[http://www.tompaine.com/articles/2006/07/20/the\\_new\\_culture\\_war.php](http://www.tompaine.com/articles/2006/07/20/the_new_culture_war.php)

“A Respectful Black-Hispanic Coalition,” by Ron Walters, May 25, The Washington Informer.

<http://www.washingtoninformer.com/OPEDronwalters2006May25.html>

“‘Sí Se Puede’ Means ‘We Shall Overcome,’” by Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, August 13, 2006, In Motion Magazine.

[http://www.inmotionmagazine.com/hrcr/jj\\_ssp.html](http://www.inmotionmagazine.com/hrcr/jj_ssp.html)

### **Anti-Immigrant Movements**

“Understanding Anti-Immigrant Movements,” American Friends Service Committee.

<http://www.afsc.org/immigrants-rights/learn/anti-immigrant.htm>

“Pulling Up the Ladder: The Anti-Immigrant Backlash,” by Doug Brugge, The Public Eye, 1995. (An updated version is in *Defending Immigrant Rights*, Political Research Associates, 2002.)

<http://www.publiceye.org/magazine/v09n2/immigran.html>

“Defend Colorado Now: Special Report,” Center for New Community, June 2006.

<http://www.buildingdemocracy.org/reports/defendcoloradonow.pdf>

(Defend Colorado Now was the group promoting Amendment 55, the ballot issue that, if passed, would have denied non-emergency services to undocumented immigrants. Amendment 55 was found unconstitutional by the Colorado Supreme Court, and a slightly different version was passed in the Special Session of the Colorado Legislature in June 2006. This report contains still-relevant information about anti-immigrant groups and individuals in Colorado.)

### **Process of Immigration**

“‘Painful’ Delays Leave Immigrants in Limbo,” by Tina Griego, May 15, 2006, Rocky Mountain News.

[http://www.rockymountainnews.com/drmn/news\\_columnists/article/0,1299,DRMN\\_86\\_4699526,00.html](http://www.rockymountainnews.com/drmn/news_columnists/article/0,1299,DRMN_86_4699526,00.html)

### **Immigrant Rights Organizing**

“Protests Turn the Tide on Immigration Debate,” by Laura Carlsen, April 13, 2006, International Relations Center.

<http://americas.irc-online.org/am/3207>

### **Comprehensive Immigration Reform**

“Principles for Comprehensive Immigration Reform in the United States,” American Friends Service Committee.

<http://www.afsc.org/immigrants-rights/documents/principles.pdf>

“Declaration of Monterrey,” March 21 and 22, 2002.

<http://www.afsc.org/immigrants-rights/news/monterrey-declaration.htm>

### **Population and the Environment**

“Population, Immigration & the Environment,” by Emanuel Sferios, June 1998, Z Magazine.

<http://www.zmag.org/ZMag/articles/sferiosjune98.htm>

### **Faith Resources**

“Scripture,” “Religious Groups’ Statements on immigrants and borders,” and “The Bible as the Ultimate Immigration Handbook,” on bordermatters.net.

<http://www.bordermatters.net/cross/index.htm#rgsib>

“Seeing That of God in Our Immigrant Neighbors,” by Danielle Short. American Friends Service Committee, Colorado Office. <http://www.friendsjournal.org/immigration-and-friends-testimonies>

### **LGBTQ and Immigration**

“For All the Ways They Say We Are, No One is Illegal,” The Audre Lorde Project, Inc., April 21, 2006.

<http://www.alp.org/statements/nooneisillegal.php>

“Immigration is a LGBT Issue,” by Christine Chavez, April 10, 2006, The Advocate.

[http://www.advocate.com/exclusive\\_detail\\_ektid29443.asp](http://www.advocate.com/exclusive_detail_ektid29443.asp)

### **White Privilege**

“Unlearning Racism,” by Ricky Sherover-Marcuse.

<http://www.unlearningracism.org/writings.htm>

“White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack,” by Peggy McIntosh, 1990 *Independent School*.

<http://www.case.edu/president/aaction/UnpackingTheKnapsack.pdf>

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