



CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY
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EL CAMINO DEL INMIGRANTE

Spreading the word far and wide that Christians care about immigrants, refugees, and undocumented people in our communities.

Thank you for your willingness to host a CCDA El Camino del Inmigrante solidarity walk in your community.

We are eager to partner together with CCDA communities all across the country, expressing our solidarity with immigrants and raising awareness for the need for comprehensive immigration reform.

In this guide, you will find materials to guide you as you organize and implement your local El Camino (in the email you received with this guide, you will also find the El Camino logo and a sample flyer and social media image).

If you have any questions along the way, please contact our Advocacy and Strategic Engagement Director, Michelle Warren, at michelle@ccda.org



Three to six weeks before event:

Choose a date for your event (make sure to leave yourself enough time for recruitment and publicity).

Choose start and end points for your walk (it is helpful to choose points that are convenient to public transportation).

Choose water station locations for your event (a good guide is a water station every two to three miles and at the end of the route).

Contact police departments for any districts where your walk will take place (simply notify them of the date, time, and format of your event so they are aware).

Contact city government to find out whether you will need a permit for any portion of your walk (start point, end point, route). Often, permits are not necessary since you are simply walking on public property.

Reach out to area churches, ministries, and non-profits to invite their participation (offer to feature their logos on promotional materials for the event).

Recruit sponsors for water/snacks stations. Invite them to provide water bottles, snacks, and prayer to walkers.

Launch publicity for your event (next page).



CCDA will provide the following publicity assistance for your event:

- * Distribution of event info to regional CCDA members and supporters via our e-news.
- * Event listing on the events section of CCDA's website.
- * Creation of a Facebook event page to be featured on the national CCDA El Camino del Inmigrante FB page.
- * Creation of a customized social media graphic and printable flyer for your event.
- * El Camino logo for your use (attached in the email you received with this toolkit).
- * Writing and distribution of a press release to support your event.

In addition, it is helpful to also:

- * Ask your partner organizations to share the event with their members and supporters.
 - * Utilize your custom flyer for printing and social media.
 - * Share frequently on social media, utilizing the hashtags #CaminoCCDA and #Camino(insert city name here)
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Some tips for your event:

As you recruit walkers, consider creating a sign-up form or RSVP so that you can easily communicate with walkers as the event approaches.

Invite local immigrants to share their stories at the start and/or end of your event.

Invite musicians to participate in the start and/or end of event (El Camino song and lead sheet at the end of this guide).

Consider having shirts and/or bandanas printed with the Camino logo (bandanas can be safety-pinned to walker backpacks).

Consider creating informational handouts such as "immigration at a glance" or "refugees at a glance" to distribute at start, end, or water stations.

Make use of the devotionals found on the CCDA website in both English and Spanish (*click here to view*).

Consider inviting walkers to blog about their experience of El Camino (*click here to see blogs from past walkers*).

Share a "what next" handout at the end of your event.



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Resources

click to be directed to the following:

- * Camino song (lead sheet on next page)
- * Camino devotionals
- * Camino blog



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El Camino

music and lyrics by Phill Heifferon and Eliezer Lang

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intro : E blues vamp

Verse 1 G Am Em

Somos un solo cuerpo (we are one body)

Y a un solo espiritu (and with one spirit)

Levantamos nuestras voces (we raise our voices)

Y tomamos el camino (and take the path)

Chorus E (blues vamp)

Espiritu Santo escucho (I hear You or I'm listening to the Holy Spirit)

Dios en ti confio (God I trust in you)

Es hora de tomar-el camino (It's time to take the path)

Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh oh

Verse 2

Ya un somos extrangeros

(and we are still strangers)

Buscando la justicia de Dios

(seeking for God justice)

Por fe seguimos caminando

(by faith we keep on walking)

En amor y unidad

(in love and in unity)

Bridge

Though we come from different tribes

We're unified

This is our Story of Salvation

As God's people and proclamation

His justice we seek and joy we keep

By faith throughout history

Hallelujahs!!!!

Espiritu Santo escucho

Dios en ti confio

Es hora de tomar-el camino

Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh oh

De San Diego a Los Angeles

Caminando por Justicia

Para el inmigrante

Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh oh

Para el refugiado

Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh oh

Para el detenido

Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh oh



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Once again, thank you - we look forward with you
to a successful and impactful event!

Buen Camino!

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