

BORDER SECURITY BALLOT



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Dear _____,

You have been selected by The Heritage Foundation to represent your state in the official **Border Security Ballot**.

Now more than ever, the White House and conservatives in Congress must focus on securing America by controlling illegal immigration. Heritage will use the final results of the enclosed nationwide ballot to build a mandate for border security. Lawmakers are facing intense pressure to cut corners and compromise needlessly on immigration issues, so they need to hear from taxpayers like you who want elected representatives to keep their promises and protect our nation from broken borders.

As President Trump noted in an address to Congress, **“We’ve defended the borders of other nations, while leaving our own borders wide open, for anyone to cross.”** Lawmakers need to hear from you so they will finally get serious about correcting this injustice.

For the accuracy that is essential, if this project is to have the clout it needs in Washington, it’s important that each Ballot assigned to your state be submitted by an eligible recipient.

Therefore, if you do not wish to have your opinions considered in upcoming, urgent debates over immigration and border security, please return your Ballot unopened so we may select another taxpayer to represent your community.

But if you are frustrated by politicians who are all talk but do nothing to secure the borders, please don’t delay in marking your Ballot and returning it within 5 days for tabulation. I hope you will respond, and make your views known. There is plenty at stake for you ...

media elites and liberal politicians who are fighting against conservative solutions, are doing everything they can to silence our calls for secure borders. They spread outright misinformation about efforts to ensure America’s immigration policy is implemented, and they stand against anyone who supports border security and the rule of law.

The Heritage Foundation is on your side, fighting for secure borders and America’s sovereignty. We present the FACTS, giving unbiased analysis of how illegal immigration has spiraled out of control and what must be done to protect our nation. We are sharing this analysis with the public, the Administration and responsible members of Congress so they’ll have the information they need to stand firm for secure borders. When politicians from EITHER party try to impose “immigration reforms” that are just amnesties in disguise, we tell the truth about how illegal immigration and amnesty hurt our nation.

This Ballot is designed to let you weigh in on the need to protect America and to ensure Washington listens to what you have to say. As you give your opinions, consider these facts ...

- It is estimated that at least 14.3 million illegal immigrants now reside in the United States, with an estimated 70,000 living in Louisiana — but many experts believe these numbers could be even higher. *Do you feel that illegal immigration has negatively impacted the Tickfaw area and your entire state?*

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- Liberals in Washington have pushed plans to give amnesty to illegal aliens that would cost taxpayers in your state and across the nation trillions of dollars. In fact, Heritage analysis shows that the government would have to immediately raise taxes by \$1.29 trillion to cover the cost of amnesty for illegal immigrants. *Should Congress oppose amnesty?*
- There are more than 500 “sanctuary cities” in the U.S. that refuse to help enforce immigration laws, and seven states including California and Illinois are now “sanctuary states.” This lawlessness has victimized innocent Americans by enabling illegal immigrants to commit crimes including rape and murder. *Would you like to see federal funding withheld from “sanctuaries” that refuse to follow the law?*
- In 2016, the floodgates were opened for refugees from unstable countries, with what many warn is inadequate vetting of those who want to enter our nation. *Do you feel it makes sense to put the brakes on open entry for refugees until it can be determined exactly what is best for the country?*
- Seven Middle Eastern nations were identified during the Obama Administration as conduits for terrorists who seek to infiltrate America and execute their attacks. *Do you agree that access from these at-risk nations should be strictly limited?*

With America’s safety and sovereignty at stake, there is no excuse for not securing our borders. Heritage is the conscience of conservatives on this key issue — reminding them that they campaigned on promises to fight illegal immigration and enforce our immigration laws, and that they now MUST follow through on their promises to you and all U.S. taxpayers. And we are your voice against the media/liberal forces that will use phony research and misinformation in an effort to thwart the defense of our borders, rob us of any opportunity to end the illegal immigration crisis and sneak through costly amnesty.

We must restore integrity and the rule of law to our borders. Your Ballot response today will help us prove to the public and elected leaders that you and your fellow citizens agree with The Heritage Foundation that reclaiming America’s borders means ...

- Building a border wall to secure the most heavily-trafficked areas;
- Enforcing our laws and cracking down on illegal immigration;
- Ending the scourge of “sanctuary” cities and states that allow lawlessness to flourish;
- Establishing rigorous vetting for refugees seeking to enter the country; and
- Controlling immigration from countries that harbor terrorists.

Accuracy is critical to giving our **Border Security Ballot** the clout it must have. We must use this **Ballot** as a tool to capture lawmakers’ attention and educate them on the need to adopt Heritage’s responsible policies to secure our nation’s borders, just as they’ve adopted our policies on many other issues. And we need a representative response from every congressional district in the country.

If you don’t wish to have your opinions counted, please return your unopened Ballot today so another taxpayer can be selected to represent your area. But I do hope you will

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participate and return your Ballot so we can make lawmakers understand that there is no excuse for failing to control illegal immigration and protect our nation from forces that seek to destroy us.

We know where liberal lawmakers, the left-wing special interests and the D.C. establishment stand on this issue. They are leading an ongoing, endless crusade to undermine secure borders and America's sovereignty.

Special interests and establishment powerbrokers want "business as usual" in Washington — even if it's not in the best interest of the American people. Do these interest groups see our country as nothing special and not worth protecting from illegal immigration? Are they following the lead of large corporations that want cheap labor at any cost? Is it Big Labor calling the shots with demands for amnesty (so they can unionize and take money from more workers)? Whatever their motivation, the D.C. political insiders are lashing out at sensible security measures, and describing those who want to protect the country as "heartless" and "un-American."

What do you think about the current immigration debate? The enclosed **Border Security Ballot** is your chance to vote.

The Heritage Foundation has a proven track record of fighting for citizens like you and *winning* even the most intimidating battles.

Our friends and enemies agree: No one is more effective than Heritage at getting elected officials to listen to folks like you and put the reforms YOU support into action.

Heritage facts and figures helped make the case FOR President Reagan's tax cuts in the 1980s despite fierce liberal opposition ... AGAINST the tax hikes of the 1990s ... and FOR the sweeping tax cuts of 2017. President Trump's winning message of ending illegal immigration and securing the borders reflects Heritage's research on this topic.

Heritage has made life better for the American people, and we are working to create an undeniable mandate for border security and the rule of law this year. But our success depends on the guidance and support we receive from patriots like you who share our dedication to protecting America. That's why I'm counting on you to send in your **Border Security Ballot**. We also need your financial support to fund this massive grassroots effort. We must seize every opportunity to defend our nation and get our borders under control.

Your tax-deductible gift will help Heritage keep building momentum for sensible reforms like the border wall and educate elected leaders on the need to oppose amnesty and crack down on sanctuary cities. Your contribution will fund targeted operations to:

1. Use the results of this **Ballot** to determine how much public support exists for our efforts to give Americans the secure borders they voted for.
2. Expand the in-depth research of our Heritage experts, led by Senior Research Fellow Robert Rector, that illustrates the fiscal impact of amnesty — so American taxpayers will know the costs associated with illegal immigration.
3. Educate the public and lawmakers in Washington on why this **MUST** be a top-priority for 2020, and on the best messages they should use to build support for secure borders.

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4. Shape the news without liberal censorship. Our *Daily Signal* news site, which now reaches 4 million visitors a month, breaks stories about the costly impact and constant dangers of illegal immigration that would otherwise go unreported by mainstream news outlets. Plus, Heritage experts appear on TV news and debate shows and meet one-on-one with journalists and columnists to discuss border security. We make sure national news coverage reflects the FACTS about the need to protect our nation.

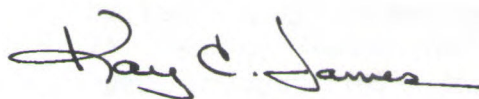
THIS IS IMPORTANT: Heritage exists because of the voluntary gifts of individuals all across this country. Without citizens like you giving whatever they can, whenever they are able, we cannot lead the fight to make sure lawmakers follow through on their promises to finally get control of our nation's borders and end the epidemic of illegal immigration.

It is a testament to Heritage's effectiveness that we now have 500,000 supporters from across the nation — and more are joining forces with us every single day. I hope that you will join us today in fighting for what's right for America.

your tax-deductible gift of \$20, \$25, \$50, or even \$100 or \$250, if you can be so generous, will sustain Heritage Foundation efforts to protect you and families in the Tickfaw area from the high costs and painful impact of illegal immigration and give lawmakers the facts about why getting control of America's borders is essential to safeguarding the country.

Please don't delay in returning your **Border Security Ballot**. It is only through your support that Heritage can work on your behalf to protect you and your family from the liberals who want to undermine border security and the rule of law. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Kay C. James
President

P.S. Your **Border Security Ballot** will represent taxpayer opinion in Louisiana on immigration reform measures that will secure the borders, stop amnesty, end lawless sanctuary cities and defend America's sovereignty and security. This is one of the hottest issues right now and for accurate results that Heritage can use to make the public and our elected leaders understand and listen, all ballots issued must be returned. **So if you do not wish to have your opinions counted, please return your Ballot unopened so another taxpayer may be selected to represent your area.**

But if you agree with The Heritage Foundation that lawmakers must follow through on efforts to repair our broken borders, please complete your Ballot and return it within 5 days with your tax-deductible gift. Heritage will use your Ballot response and your contribution to hold lawmakers to their campaign promises and show every member of the U.S. House and Senate that Americans like you want border security. With liberals in Washington determined to sabotage the White House — and with media elites reporting liberal spin instead of actual news on the immigration issue — the threat of “business as usual” in Washington is great. As we have with every other key issue, Heritage will provide the hard data proving the high costs and true impact of uncontrolled immigration — and we'll provide the best policies for protecting the country. Thank you!

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DEADLINE DATE:

Within 5 Days

<p>1. President Trump has spelled out the immigration crisis America faces: “We’ve defended the borders of other nations, while leaving our own borders wide open, for anyone to cross.” <i>Do you think America’s border security has been neglected for too long?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/No Opinion</p>	<p>6. There are more than 500 “sanctuary cities” that refuse to help enforce immigration laws, and places like California and Illinois are now “sanctuary states.” This lawlessness has victimized innocent Americans by enabling illegal immigrants to commit thousands of crimes, including rape and murder. <i>Would you like to see federal funding withheld from communities that declare themselves sanctuary cities?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/No Opinion</p>
<p>2. The U.S. illegal immigrant population has officially reached 14.3 million, with an estimated 70,000 living in Louisiana — and many experts fear that the actual number of illegal immigrants is much higher. <i>Do you believe illegal immigration has negatively impacted your state?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/No Opinion</p>	<p>7. In 2016, liberals opened a floodgate of refugees from unstable countries. <i>Do you think the U.S. should put the brakes on open entry for refugees until it can be determined exactly what is best for America?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/No Opinion</p>
<p>3. <i>What are your biggest concerns about current high levels of illegal immigration? (Please check all that apply.)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Illegal immigration means fewer jobs for U.S. citizens.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unsecured borders threaten America’s sovereignty.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Allowing illegal immigration undermines the rule of law.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Open borders allow illegal drugs into our nation and poison our communities.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> When illegal immigrants receive federal benefits, it costs taxpayers money.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Illegal immigrants don’t embrace the principles that make America great.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Terrorists can exploit illegal immigration to infiltrate our country.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/No Opinion</p>	<p>8. There are seven Middle Eastern nations that, before President Trump took office, were identified as conduits for terrorists to infiltrate America and plan their attacks. <i>Do you agree that access from at-risk nations should be restricted?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/No Opinion</p>
<p>4. Washington special interests and establishment politicians are continuing to push amnesty for illegal aliens, even though Americans consistently speak out strongly for border security. <i>Are national and local news outlets that you watch reporting on this constant push for amnesty?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/Don’t Know</p>	<p>9. With our borders increasingly being compromised, and with liberal politicians standing in solidarity with those who enter our country illegally, now is the time for conservatives to fight like never before to secure America and restore the rule of law. Establishment lawmakers and the news media liberals who oppose the White House are doing whatever it takes to block border security and open America up to more illegal immigration, which is why The Heritage Foundation is unleashing a bold effort to get the truth out about the need for border security and the costs of amnesty and high levels of illegal immigration. This effort to finally secure our borders depends entirely on the backing of citizens like you. <i>Will you support this effort with a tax-deductible contribution?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES. I want to help Heritage fight for my interests as a U.S. citizen and get the truth out that NOW is the time to secure our borders! I’m enclosing:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$20 <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____</p>
<p>5. Heritage analysis shows that the government would have to immediately raise taxes by \$1.29 trillion to cover the cost of amnesty for illegal immigrants. <i>Should Congress oppose amnesty?</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure/No Opinion</p>	<p>Please make your tax-deductible check payable to The Heritage Foundation and mail with your <i>Ballot</i> in the enclosed postage-paid envelope to: PO Box 97057, Washington, DC 20077-7315. To contribute via credit card, see reverse. <i>Thank you!</i></p>

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