

DO NOT SHUT UP!

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DO NOT SHUT UP (DNSU) is an E-newsletter created by the Corpus Christi chapter of ADAPT. We encourage you to stay informed, get engaged, and most importantly- DO NOT SHUT UP!



Join ADAPT as we celebrate:

National Disability Voter Registration Week July 15-19, 2019

Monday, July 15th : 9 am-12 pm, Voter Registration at Nueces County Courthouse, 901 Leopard St. Corpus Christi, TX 78401

Deputy Voter Registrar Training at CBCIL Main Office, 1537 Seventh St. Corpus Christi, TX 78404

Tuesday, July 16th : 11:00 am, City Hall Proclamation to be read in honor of National Disability Voter Registration Week

Wednesday, July 17th : 9 am-12 pm, Voter Registration at Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center with ADA voting machine available for demonstration, 5151 McArdle Rd, 78411

Thursday, July 18th : All Day Voter Registration at CBCIL Main Office, 1537 Seventh St., 78404

Friday, July 19th : All Day Voter Registration at CBCIL Main Office, 1537 Seventh St., 78404

For more information on events call 361.883.8461

Happy 29th Anniversary to the Americans with Disabilities Act!

On July 26th it will be 29 years since these civil rights protections were put into place to help people with disabilities. The primary focus of the act was to provide access and accommodations to disabled people. The road to achieve these protections has been long and is still ongoing! Being a part of this community makes me a proud citizen whom hopes for all to have the best of life.



That said, I hope you will join the Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living for their **ADA CELEBRATION on July 26th from 3:00 – 4:30PM at 1537 Seventh St.** For more details on the event, you can call 361-883-8461. Ask for Christie.
-Stephanie Hammett

STOP!

We are disabled. We are familiar with suffering. But we must stop and look at what goes on around us.

It really doesn't matter what your political thoughts are about what is going on, here in our neck of the woods, people are coming for our borders--men, women, and their kids. They are being claimed by the river. (See story on drowning at the border: https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2019/06/26/father-daughter-who-drowned-border-dove-into-river-desperation/?utm_term=.6b46e7612a84) Families are split up. They live with no toothpaste, no toothbrushes, no soap, no tampons. They live overcrowded in cages and in

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concentration camps. No one even turns off the lights. I thought that I must be able to do something about it. I went to Walmart and I bought a hundred toothbrushes, twelve family-size containers of toothpaste, four hundred and fifty maxi-pads, and twenty-four bars of Ivory soap.

It only cost \$77.

I am put it in a box and sent it to a McAllen camp. After I sent two boxes to a camp in McAllen, I learned that some goods are being discarded. Instead, I will now donate directly to Refugee Services of Texas.

To donate you can use this link: <https://www.rstx.org/donate-form>

List of groups accepting donations: <https://www.texastribune.org/2018/06/18/heres-list-organizations-are-mobilizing-help-separated-immigrant-child/>

-This is Life in Texas!-

-Joseph Huerta

Want to learn more about the issues in this edition and how you can help?

JOIN ADAPT!

Whether you're new to civic engagement or if you're a seasoned advocate, you're invited! We are happy to link you to resources and get you started on the path to effective engagement and advocacy! ADAPT meets at the CBCIL office located at 1537 Seventh Street, Corpus Christi, TX on the second Monday of each month at 2:00 pm.