

Official Statement from Year Up Board of Directors on Behalf of the DACA Program

September 20, 2017

- Our mission is to provide opportunity to underserved young adults.
- Denying that opportunity to our students, alumni, and staff who have DACA status is morally wrong, goes against our principles, and is an attack on everything that we believe.
- We cannot be silent or place the responsibility for advocacy and action solely on others. This is our fight, too.
- We stand strongly alongside our Year Up DREAMers. We support Year Up's decision to take a strong, bold, and active leadership position to address this injustice.
- We will provide resources and support to our DREAMers during this time of uncertainty and ensure our DREAMers know that we continue to welcome them as part of our community.
- We will fight for a permanent solution for DREAMers as a key step towards a sensible and longer term immigration reform solution.
- Such a solution is not only good for DREAMers, it is good for the country's workforce and for our economy.

We are "all in" and will bring the necessary resources.

We will be heard.

Opportunity will not be denied.

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