



Amnesty International Sacramento Group ✦ 2020 Activities

- January 2020
- We held a Write for Rights event at Urban Roots Restaurant, generating 140 letters to advocate for human rights defenders around the world.
 - We held a paper crane making workshop for the Tsuru for Solidarity rally
 - A contingent from our group attended a rally at the Yuba County Jail to protest the detaining of immigrants there who are waiting for deportation hearings.
 - A contingent from our group attended the #MarchForHumanRights Women's March
- February 2020
- We co-sponsored the Japanese American community's "Standing Up For the Voiceless".
 - We joined with a Sacramento Regional Coalition and signed a letter asking legislators to support legislation to protect children from military abuses in other countries.
 - We wrote letters on behalf of Eren Keskin, human rights defender in Turkey.
 - We asked community members to write to US Rep. Ami Bera, asking him to advocate for human rights during his upcoming trip to India.
 - We tweeted, posted and wrote to support Eren Keskin before a February sham hearing in Turkey
- March 2020
- We paid DACA renewal fees for three young people from farmworker families near Sacramento
 - We planned an Earth Day table and advocacy (this event was cancelled due to COVID-19)
 - A representative from our group attended Lobby Day for Ending Racial Disparity in Sentencing
 - Representatives from our group attended the Car Rally (Honk for Justice) to demand that immigrant detainees are released from Yuba County Jail.
- April 2020
- We promoted Climate Justice: organized members to participate in the national Climate Chalk-out; provided information on climate justice in our monthly newsletter; offered free climate stickers.
 - We advocated for the immigrant detainees at the Yuba County Jail in Marysville, CA.
 - We wrote letters in support of human rights defenders in the rainforest of Cambodia.
- May 2020
- We promoted Women's Rights issues and actions in our monthly newsletter.
 - Members attended online human rights workshops offered by Amnesty International USA.
- June 2020
- We participated in a state-wide virtual lobby week with our legislators, advocating for the *Break the Cycle of Violence Act* and the *Justice in Policing Act*.
- July 2020
- Our "Individual at Risk" Eren Keskin had her apartment broken into as an intimidation tactic. We took a picture holding signs on Zoom, then emailed & tweeted Turkish officials to protest.
 - A rep from our group met with the Sacramento Immigration Coalition.
- August 2020
- We promoted the Amnesty International USA report documenting police violence against protesters at Black Lives Matter rallies. It was delivered to our Mayor, City Council members and our Police Chief with a letter encouraging them to divest of military equipment.
 - We wrote to object to treatment of asylum-seekers and to protest conditions at detention centers.
- September 2020
- We planned, produced, and presented a Webinar that spotlighted Banned Writers around the world and offered letter writing actions to help some of those writers who are charged or jailed.
- October 2020
- Representatives from our group attended the Family Unity, Education and Legal Network and the Sacramento Immigration Coalition meetings
- November 2020
- Our new Human Rights Book Club started this month, discussing "Just Mercy" by B. Stevenson
 - Members attended online human rights workshops offered by Amnesty International USA.
- December 2020
- We collected and shopped for holiday gifts for an immigrant family of 10 who is struggling during this time of Coronavirus shutdowns.
 - Our Human Rights Book Club met, discussing the book "Half the Sky" by N. Kristof and S. DuWunn
 - We helped plan and run a California Write for Rights event generating 400+ letters and emails for human rights defenders around the world.