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sanctuary cities or localities where officials are prohibited from inquiring into immigration status have become a part of the broader debate on undocumented immigration in the united states despite the increasing amount of coverage sanctuary policies receive the american public knows little about these policies in this book loren collingwood and benjamin gonzalez o brien delve into the history media coverage effects and public opinion on these sanctuary policies in the hope of helping readers reach an informed decision regarding them

just days after taking the white house donald trump signed three executive orders targeting noncitizens authorizing the muslim ban the border wall and ice raids the new administration s approach towards noncitizens was defined by bans walls and raids this is the essential primer on how we got here and what we must do to create a different future bans walls raids sanctuary shows that these features have a long history and have long harmed all of us and our relationships to each other the 45th president s xenophobic racist ableist patriarchal ascendancy is no aberration but the consequence of two centuries of u s political economic and social culture further as a naomi paik deftly demonstrates the attacks against migrants are tightly bound to assaults against women people of color workers ill and disabled people queer and gender non conforming people these attacks are neither un american nor unique by showing how the problems we face today are embedded in the very foundation of the us this book is a rallying cry for a broad based abolitionist sanctuary movement for all

this book argues that local governments and institutions across the state of california that offer various forms of sanctuaries to undocumented immigrants create sanctuary regions these regions are safe zones for undocumented immigrants and facilitate their ability to make claims for human rights the book also argues that these regions create an important form of resistance to federal state authority in terms of immigration and the management of borders something that is typically attributed to state power in the study of international relations in this book includes overviews of how undocumented immigrants make claims for human rights as well as the ways in which sanctuary regions facilitate acts of citizenship and resist anti immigrant policies

an examination of sanctuary seeking in the literature of medieval england between the twelfth and the seventeenth centuries

co founder of the women s march makes her ya debut in a near future dystopian where a young girl and her brother must escape a xenophobic

government to find sanctuary it's 2032 and in this near future america all citizens are chipped and everyone is tracked from buses to grocery stores it's almost impossible to survive as an undocumented immigrant but that's exactly what sixteen year old vali is doing she and her family have carved out a stable happy life in small town vermont but when vali's mother's counterfeit chip starts malfunctioning and the deportation forces raid their town they are forced to flee now on the run vali and her family are desperately trying to make it to her tía luna's in california a sanctuary state that is currently being walled off from the rest of the country but when vali's mother is detained before their journey even really begins vali must carry on with her younger brother across the country to make it to safety before it's too late gripping and urgent co authors paola mendoza and abby sher have crafted a narrative that is as haunting as it is hopeful in envisioning a future where everyone can find sanctuary

the accidental shooting of kathryn steinle in july of 2015 by an undocumented immigrant ignited a firestorm of controversy around sanctuary cities which are municipalities where officials are prohibited from inquiring into the immigration status of residents some decline immigration detainer requests from u.s. immigration and customs enforcement while sanctuary cities have been in existence since the 1980s the steinle shooting and the presidency of donald trump have brought them renewed attention and raised a number of questions how have these policies evolved since the 1980s and how has the media framed them do sanctuary policies breed crime as some have argued or do they help to politically incorporate immigrant populations what do americans think about sanctuary cities and have their attitudes changed in recent years how are states addressing the conflict between sanctuary cities and the federal government in one of the first comprehensive examinations of sanctuary cities loren collingwood and benjamin gonzalez o brien show that sanctuary policies have no discernible effect on crime rates rather anti sanctuary state laws may undercut communities trust in law enforcement indeed sanctuary policies do have the potential to better incorporate immigrant populations into the larger city with both latino police force representation and latino voter turnout increasing as a result despite this public opinion on sanctuary cities remains sharply divided and has become intensely partisanized looking at public opinion data media coverage and the evolution of sanctuary policies from the 1980s to 2010s the authors show that conservatives have increasingly drawn on anecdotal evidence to link violent crime to the larger debate about undocumented immigration this has in turn provided them an electoral advantage among conservative voters who often see undocumented immigrants as a threat and has led to a push for anti sanctuary policies in conservative states that effectively preempt local initiatives aimed at immigrant incorporation ultimately this book finds that sanctuary cities provide important protection for immigrants helping them to become part of the social and political fabric of the united states with no empirical support for the negative consequences conservatives and anti immigrant activists so often claim

this collection contains a rich and up to date mix of specific substantive empirical case studies and theoretically driven analyses from multiple disciplinary perspectives and is international in scope this is the first time studies and discussion of sanctuary practices outside the us context e.g. in the uk germany the nordic countries and canada and of recent developments within the us context e.g. the new sanctuary movement along with accounts of sanctuary as a mutating set of practices and spaces e.g. pre modern and terrorist sanctuary have been brought together in one collection

after decades of urban crisis american cities and suburbs have revived thanks largely to immigration this is the first book to explore the phenomenon from big

cities such as new york chicago and los angeles to newer destinations such as nashville and suburban boston and new jersey

by offering a collection of empirical cases and conceptualizations that move beyond seeing like a state this text proposes not a singular alternative but rather a set of interlocking sites and scales of political imagination and practice

for over forty years cold war concerns about the threat of communism shaped the contours of refugee and asylum policy in the united states and the majority of those admitted as refugees came from communist countries in the post cold war period a wider range of geopolitical and domestic interests influence which populations policymakers prioritize for admission the refugee challenge in post cold war america examines the actors and interests that have shaped refugee and asylum policy since 1989 policymakers are now considering a wider range of populations as potentially eligible for protection victims of civil unrest genocide trafficking environmental upheaval and gender based discrimination among others many of those granted protected status since 1989 would never have been considered for admission during the cold war among the challenges of the post cold war era are the growing number of asylum seekers who have petitioned for protection at a port of entry and are backlogging the immigration courts concerns over national security have also resulted in deterrence policies that have raised important questions about the rights of refugees and the duties of nations maría cristina garcía evaluates the challenges of reconciling international humanitarian obligations with domestic concerns for national security

even as donald trump s election has galvanized anti immigration politics many local governments have welcomed immigrants some even going so far as to declare their communities sanctuary cities that will limit cooperation with federal immigration authorities but efforts to assist immigrants are not limited to large politically liberal cities since the 1990s many small to mid sized cities and towns across the united states have implemented a range of informal practices that help immigrant populations integrate into their communities abigail fisher williamson explores why and how local governments across the country are taking steps to accommodate immigrants sometimes despite serious political opposition drawing on case studies of four new immigrant destinations lewiston maine wausau wisconsin elgin illinois and yakima washington as well as a national survey of local government officials she finds that local capacity and immigrant visibility influence whether local governments take action to respond to immigrants state and federal policies and national political rhetoric shape officials framing of immigrants thereby influencing how municipalities respond despite the devolution of federal immigration enforcement and the increasingly polarized national debate local officials face on balance distinct legal and economic incentives to welcome immigrants that the public does not necessarily share officials efforts to promote incorporation can therefore result in backlash unless they carefully attend to both aiding immigrants and increasing public acceptance bringing her findings into the present williamson takes up the question of whether the current trend toward accommodation will continue given trump s anti immigrant rhetoric and changes in federal immigration policy

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leader racial justice educator and acclaimed spiritual activist rachel ricketts do better is a revolutionary offering that addresses racial justice from a comprehensive intersectional and spirit based perspective this actionable guidebook illustrates how to engage in the heart centered and mindfulness based practices that will help us all fight white supremacy from the inside out in our personal lives and communities alike it is a loving and assertive call to do the deep and often uncomfortable inner work that precipitates much needed external and global change filled with carefully curated soulcare activities such as guided meditations and transformative breathwork do better answers prayers that many have prayed do better offers a bold possibility for change and healing do better offers a deeply sacred choice that we must all make at such a time as this iyanla vanzant new york times bestselling author

this title provides comprehensive analyses of current knowledge about the unwarranted disparities in dealings with the criminal justice system faced by some disadvantaged minority groups in all developed countries

states have historically led in rights expansion for marginalized populations and remain leaders today on the rights of undocumented immigrants

legal passing offers a nuanced look at how the lives of undocumented mexicans in the us are constantly shaped by federal state and local immigration laws angela s garcía compares restrictive and accommodating immigration measures in various cities and states to show that place based inclusion and exclusion unfold in seemingly contradictory ways instead of fleeing restrictive localities undocumented mexicans react by presenting themselves as legal masking the stigma of illegality to avoid local police and federal immigration enforcement restrictive laws coerce assimilation because as legal passing becomes habitual and embodied immigrants distance themselves from their ethnic and cultural identities in accommodating destinations undocumented mexicans experience a localized sense of stability and membership that is simultaneously undercut by the threat of federal immigration enforcement and complex street level tensions with local police combining social theory on immigration and race as well as place and law legal passing uncovers the everyday failures and long term human consequences of contemporary immigration laws in the us

what does progressive religion reveal about american family values grace yukich shows how in an anti immigrant climate religious activists in the new sanctuary movement call on americans to keep immigrant families together by ending deportation

2020 j anthony lukas prize winner from the bestselling author of there are no children here a richly textured heartrending portrait of love and death in chicago s most turbulent neighborhoods the numbers are staggering over the past twenty years in chicago 14 033 people have been killed and another roughly 60 000 wounded by gunfire what does that do to the spirit of individuals and community drawing on his decades of experience alex kotlowitz set out to chronicle one summer in the city writing about individuals who have emerged from the violence and whose stories capture the capacity and the breaking point of the human heart and soul the result is a spellbinding collection of deeply intimate profiles that upend what we think we know about gun violence in america among others we meet a man who as a teenager killed a rival gang member and twenty years later is still trying to come to terms with what he s done a devoted school social worker struggling with her favorite student who refuses to give evidence in the shooting death of his best friend the witness to a wrongful police shooting who can t shake what he has seen and an aging former

gang leader who builds a place of refuge for himself and his friends applying the close up empathic reporting that made there are no children here a modern classic kotlowitz offers a piercingly honest portrait of a city in turmoil these sketches of those left standing will get into your bones this one summer will stay with you

examines the transnational implications of immigrants legalization efforts

the compelling history of how latino immigrants revitalized the nation s cities after decades of disinvestment and white flight thirty years ago most people were ready to give up on american cities we are commonly told that it was a creative class of young professionals who revived a moribund urban america in the 1990s and 2000s but this stunning reversal owes much more to another far less visible group latino and latina newcomers award winning historian a k sandoval strausz reveals this history by focusing on two barrios chicago s little village and dallas s oak cliff these neighborhoods lost residents and jobs for decades before latin american immigration turned them around beginning in the 1970s as sandoval strausz shows latinos made cities dynamic stable and safe by purchasing homes opening businesses and reviving street life barrio america uses vivid oral histories and detailed statistics to show how the great latino migrations transformed america for the better

the practice of sanctuary giving refuge to the threatened vulnerable stranger may be universal among humans from primate populations to ancient religious traditions to the modern legal institution of asylum anthropologist linda rabben explores the long history of sanctuary and analyzes modern asylum policies in north america europe and elsewhere contrasting them with the role that courageous individuals and organizations have played in offering refuge to survivors of torture persecution and discrimination rabben gives close attention to the mid 2010s refugee crisis in europe and to central americans seeking asylum in the united states this wide ranging timely and carefully documented account draws on rabben s experiences as a human rights advocate as well as her training as an anthropologist sanctuary and asylum will help citizens professionals and policy makers take informed and compassionate action a capell family book

this open access book draws a theoretically productive triangle between urban studies theories of cosmopolitanism and migration studies in a global context it provides a unique encompassing and situated view on the various relations between cosmopolitanism and urbanity in the contemporary world drawing on a variety of cities in latin america europe asia africa and north america it overcomes the eurocentric bias that has marked debate on cosmopolitanism from its inception the contributions highlight the crucial role of migrants as actors of urban change and targets of urban policies thus reconciling empirical and normative approaches to cosmopolitanism by addressing issues such as cosmopolitanism and urban geographies of power locations and temporalities of subaltern cosmopolites political meanings and effects of cosmopolitan practices and discourses in urban contexts it revisits contemporary debates on superdiversity urban stratification and local incorporation and assess the role of migration and mobility in globalization and social change

this is the amazing untold story of the los angeles sanctuary movement s champion father luis olivares 1934 1993 a catholic priest and a charismatic faith driven leader for social justice beginning in 1980 and continuing for most of the decade hundreds of thousands of salvadoran and guatemalan refugees made the hazardous journey to the united states seeking asylum from political repression and violence in their home states instead of being welcomed by the

country of immigrants they were rebuffed by the reagan administration which supported the governments from which they fled to counter this policy a powerful sanctuary movement rose up to provide safe havens in churches and synagogues for thousands of central american refugees based on previously unexplored archives and over ninety oral histories this compelling biography traces the life of a complex and constantly evolving individual from olivares s humble beginnings in san antonio texas to his close friendship with legendary civil rights leader cesar chavez and his historic leadership of the united neighborhoods organization and the sanctuary movement

this open access book discusses the socio political context of the covid 19 crisis and questions the management of the pandemic emergency with special reference to how this affected the governance of migration and asylum the book offers critical insights on the impact of the pandemic on migrant workers in different world regions including north america europe and asia the book addresses several categories of migrants including medical staff farm labourers construction workers care and domestic workers and international students it looks at border closures for non citizens disruption for temporary migrants as well as at special arrangements made for essential migrant workers such as doctors or nurses as well as farmworkers shipped to destination with special flights to make sure emergency wards are staffed and harvests are picked up and the food processing chain continues to function the book illustrates how the pandemic forces us to rethink notions like membership citizenship belonging but also solidarity human rights community essential services or essential workers alongside an intersectional perspective including ethnicity gender and race

this book offers an empirical analysis of recent pro and anti immigration lawmaking at state and local levels in the usa

from california governor gavin newsom comes an empowering picture book about a young boy with dyslexia who discovers a new way to look at reading ben loves baseball he loves the lines of diamond shaped field and the dome of the pitcher s mound what ben doesn t like is reading ben has dyslexia which means letters and sounds get jumbled up in his brain and then the words don t make sense but when ben starts looking at reading like he looks at baseball he realizes that if he keeps trying he can overcome any obstacle that comes his way in this empowering story by california governor gavin newsom inspired by his own childhood diagnosis of dyslexia readers will learn that kids with the determination to try and try again can do big things this book is set in a font specifically designed to be easier for people with dyslexia to read

provides information in the form of text tables and charts about the various types of foreign nationals who are inspected naturalized apprehended or removed by the dhs types of aliens include immigrants nonimmigrants temporary visitors parolees refugees and asylees as well as those naturalized or apprehended topics covered include statistical data overview discussion of specific statistical programs e g naturalization and assistance in understanding the data with information on data collection and data limitations

few issues on the american political agenda are more complex or divisive than immigration there is no shortage of problems with current policies and practices from the difficulties and delays that confront many legal immigrants to the large number of illegal immigrants living in the country moreover few issues touch as many areas of u s domestic life and foreign policy immigration is a matter of homeland security and international competitiveness as well as a deeply human issue central to the lives of millions of individuals and families it

cuts to the heart of questions of citizenship and american identity and plays a large role in shaping both america s reality and its image in the world immigration s emergence as a foreign policy issue coincides with the increasing reach of globalization not only must countries today compete to attract and retain talented people from around the world but the view of the united states as a place of unparalleled openness and opportunity is also crucial to the maintenance of american leadership there is a consensus that current policy is not serving the united states well on any of these fronts yet agreement on reform has proved elusive the goal of the independent task force on u s immigration policy was to examine this complex issue and craft a nuanced strategy for reforming immigration policies and practices

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this book aims to establish a dialogue around the various urban sanctuary policies and other formal or informal practices of hospitality toward migrants that have emerged or been strengthened in cities in the americas in the last decade the authors articulate local governance initiatives in migrant protection with a larger range of social and political actors and places them within a broader context of migrations in the western hemisphere including case studies of toronto new york austin mexico city and lima among others the book analyzes in particular the limits of local efforts to protect migrants and to identify the latitude of action at the disposal of local actors it examines the efforts of municipal governments and also considers the role taken by cities from a larger perspective including the actions of immigrant rights associations churches ngos and other actors in protecting vulnerable migrants

in how to build a global city michele acuto considers the rise of a new generation of so called global cities singapore sydney and dubai and the power that this concept had in their ascent in order to analyze the general relationship between global city theory and its urban public policy practice the global city is often invoked in theory and practice as an ideal model of development and a logic of internationalization for cities the world over but the global city also creates deep social polarization and challenges how much local planning can achieve in a world economy presenting a unique elite ethnography in singapore sydney and dubai acuto discusses the global urban discourses aspirations and strategies vital to the planning and management of such metropolitan growth the global city he shows is not one single idea but a complex of ways to imagine a place to be global and aspirations to make it so often deeply steeped in politics his resulting book is a call to reconcile proponents and critics of the global city toward a more explicit engagement with the politics of this global urban imagination

an intimate look at the people ensnared by the us detention and deportation system the largest in the world on a bright phoenix morning elena santiago opened her door to find her house surrounded by a platoon of federal immigration agents her children screamed as the officers handcuffed her and drove her away within hours she was deported to the rough border town of Nogales Sonora with nothing but the clothes on her back her two year old daughter and fifteen year old son both american citizens were taken by the state of arizona and consigned to foster care their mother s only offense living undocumented in the united states immigrants like elena who ve lived in the united states for years are being detained and deported at unprecedented rates thousands languish in detention centers often torn from their families for months or even years deportees are returned to violent central american nations or unceremoniously dropped off in dangerous mexican border towns despite the dangers of the desert crossing many immigrants will slip across the border again stopping at nothing to get home to their children drawing on years of reporting in the arizona mexico borderlands journalist margaret regan tells their poignant stories inside the massive Eloy detention center a for profit private prison in arizona she meets detainee yolanda fontes a mother separated from her three small children in a Nogales soup kitchen deportee gustavo sanchez a young father who d lived in phoenix since the age of eight agonizes about the risks of the journey back regan demonstrates how increasingly draconian detention and deportation policies have broadened police powers while enriching a private prison industry whose profits are derived from human suffering she also documents the rise of resistance profiling activists and young immigrant dreamers who are fighting for the rights of the undocumented compelling and heart wrenching detained and deported offers a rare glimpse into the lives of people ensnared in america s immigration dragnet

as immigration and naturalization processes continue to dominate u s news headlines and political rhetoric the tangible fear of having one s family torn apart is only growing greater for those who flock to the united states for work education or refuge this book looks at both legal and undocumented immigration and explores the challenges faced by local and federal government officials by different types of workers and by the children of green card or visa holders this is a balanced overview of deportation those it may involve and how it works

this book explores the contested notion of compassionate migration in its discourse and practice in the context of today s migration patterns within the americas compassionate migration can play a fundamental role in responding to the hardships that many migrants suffer before during and after their journeys this volume explores the boundaries of compassion from legal political philosophical and interdisciplinary perspectives and supplies examples where state and non state actors engage in practices of compassion and humanity through formal and informal regimes despite the lack of a concise and precise definition of the concept and practice of compassionate migration all authors in this volume agree on the pressing need for more humane and compassionate treatment for those leaving their home country behind in search of a better life

1 new york times bestseller in this powerful new collection of oil paintings and stories president george w bush spotlights the inspiring journeys of america s immigrants and the contributions they make to the life and prosperity of our nation the issue of immigration stirs intense emotions today as it has throughout much of american history but what gets lost in the debates about policy are the stories of immigrants themselves the people who are drawn to america by its promise of economic opportunity and political and religious

freedom and who strengthen our nation in countless ways in the tradition of portraits of courage president bush s 1 new york times bestseller out of many one brings together forty three full color portraits of men and women who have immigrated to the united states alongside stirring stories of the unique ways all of them are pursuing the american dream featuring men and women from thirty five countries and nearly every region of the world out of many one shows how hard work strong values dreams and determination know no borders or boundaries and how immigrants embody values that are often viewed as distinctly american optimism and gratitude a willingness to strive and to risk a deep sense of patriotism and a spirit of self reliance that runs deep in our immigrant heritage in these pages we meet a north korean refugee fighting for human rights a dallas based ceo who crossed the rio grande from mexico at age seventeen and a nasa engineer who as a girl in nigeria dreamed of coming to america along with notable figures from business the military sports and entertainment president bush captures their faces and stories in striking detail bringing depth to our understanding of who immigrants are the challenges they face on their paths to citizenship and the lessons they can teach us about our country s character as the stories unfold in this vibrant book readers will gain a better appreciation for the humanity behind one of our most pressing policy issues and the countless ways in which america through its tradition of welcoming newcomers has been strengthened by those who have come here in search of a better life

since the us constitution came into force in 1789 it has been amended just twenty seven times with ten of those amendments coming in the first two years following ratification by contrast state constitutions have been completely rewritten on a regular basis and the current documents have been amended on average 150 times this is because federal amendments are difficult so politicians rarely focus on enacting them rather they work to secure favorable congressional statutes or supreme court decisions by contrast the relative ease of state amendment processes makes them a realistic and regular vehicle for seeking change with state constitutional politics john dinan looks at the various occasions in american history when state constitutional amendments have served as instruments of governance among other things amendments have constrained state officials in the way they levy taxes and spend money enacted policies unattainable through legislation on issues ranging from minimum wage to the regulation of marijuana and updated understandings of rights including religious liberty equal protection and the right to bear arms in addition to comprehensively chronicling the ways amendments shape politics in the states dinan also assesses the consequences of undertaking changes in governance through amendments rather than legislation or litigation for various reasons including the greater stability and legitimacy of changes achieved through the amendment process he argues that it might be a more desirable way of achieving change

political awareness of the tensions in u s mexico relations is rising in the twenty first century the american history of its treatment of illegal immigrants represents a massive failure of the promises of the american dream this is the untold history of the united states border patrol from its beginnings in 1924 as a small peripheral outfit to its emergence as a large professional police force that continuously draws intense scrutiny and denunciations from political activism groups to tell this story macarthur genius fellow kelly lytle hernández dug through a gold mine of lost and unseen records and bits of biography stored in garages closets an abandoned factory and in u s and mexican archives focusing on the daily challenges of policing the mexican border and bringing to light unexpected partners and forgotten dynamics migra reveals how the u s border patrol translated the mandate for comprehensive migration control into

a project of policing immigrants and undocumented aliens in the u s mexico borderlands

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