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Driving Systemic Change that Creates Opportunities for Diverse Communities

What's Possible to Achieve?

Where Can We Engage to Lead & Make a Difference?

What Resources are Required?

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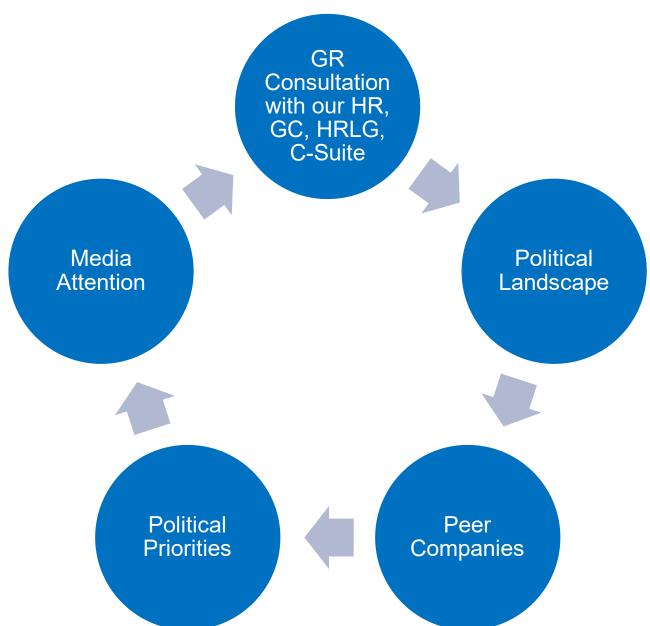
- Protect LGBT+ Rights
 - Pass Equality Act
 - Fight Anti-LGBT+ StateBills
- Pass Permanent DACA Fix
- Advance Racial Equity,
 Social Justice, Police
 Reform



Voting Rights

Determining our Priorities





Why Does IBM Support Legislation?



IBM Values: Inclusion | Fairness | Equal Opportunity

- Clear, consistent, comprehensive protections for IBMers and their families.
- Firmly committed to principles of equality and fairness.
- IBM's core business objective is to hire the best, most talented individuals regardless of their gender identity, sexual orientation, religion or other personal characteristic.
- Diversity of talent ensures maximum creativity.
- Ensure safety and comfort, regardless of where IBMers live and work.
- Want protections outside the workplace all across society.
- Decisions of where to live and work are not just individual decisions, but family decisions.

What is IBM Doing?



- Directly Lobbying Congress
- Lobbying in Select States
- PR/Communications:@IBMPolicy + Policy Blog + LI
- Creating Coalitions
- Partnering/Joining with Federal/State Trades
- Engaging Executive Council Members
- Engaging Employees





MENU FOR EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT

- ✓ GR-Led Webinars for ERGs/Diversity Councils-- Partner with HR Diversity/HR Legal
- ✓ Provide Content for Internal D&I Gateways
- √GR on D&I Leader Calls
- ✓ Encourage Employees re: D&I Training/Credentialing
- ✓ Story-Telling: Feature on Public-Facing Webpages



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I'm an IBMer...and a Dreamer

The following post is part of a THINKPolicy series profiling IBM Dreamers and their personal stories. Their identities have been protected for confidentiality. It took me five and a half years to get my engineering degree, but I never gave up. I first came to the United States when I was 11. My parents brought [...]





IBM Dreamers Share Their Stories

There are approximately 30 IBMers who are recipients of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. These Dreamers support a variety of business units at IBM in innovative areas like software engineering, analytics, sales, quality assurance, and customer support from coast to coast. One of them recently provided critical remote technical support to ensure [...]

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The Only Life I've Ever Known

The following post is part of a THINKPolicy series profiling IBM Dreamers and their personal stories. Their identities have been protected for confidentiality. I remember feeling incredibly confused. I was just about to finish high school. I had worked hard to get my diploma. My parents hadn't gone to college, but I knew that I [...]

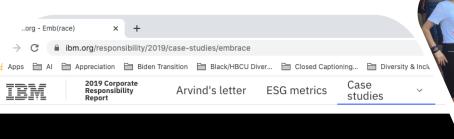
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IBM believes that Dreamers have made a positive contribution to our company and to our economy, and we support bipartisan legislation in Congress to allow them to remain in the United States.

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✓ Senior-Leader-Led Internal Action-Oriented Committees for Policy Action

✓ Social Media Updates: Slack/Twitter/etc

✓In-House and Externally Organized Lobby

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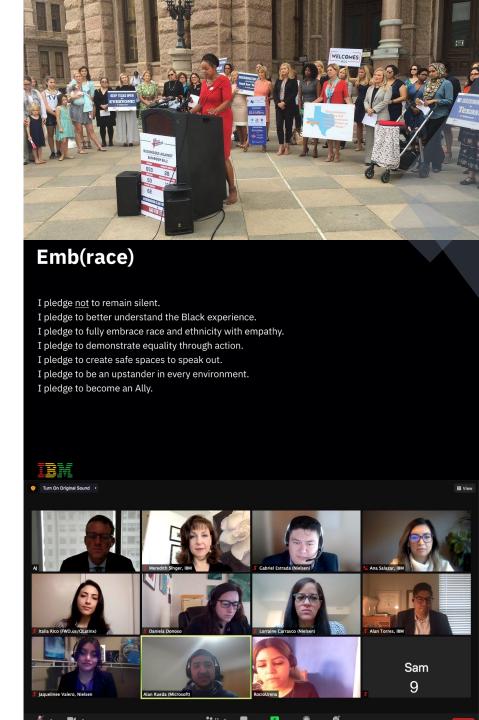


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✓ Invite Employees to Trade Assn-Organized Events

- ✓ Individual vs. Corporate-led "Letter" Writing
- Media Interviews



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