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## **PRESS STATEMENT**

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### **CARECEN SF Proudly Supports Judge's Ruling to Maintain TPS for Immigrants from Sudan, El Salvador, Haiti and Nicaragua**

**San Francisco, CA - October 4, 2018** – CARECEN SF proudly supports the ruling by US District Judge Edward Chen of granting a preliminary injunction towards stopping the White House and the Department of Homeland Security's decision to terminate the Temporary Protection Status known as TPS. This decision will immediately affect hundreds of thousands of immigrants from Sudan, El Salvador, Haiti and Nicaragua. The ruling states that the TPS program must be maintained while a lawsuit challenging the government's decision to eliminate the program continues.

The lawsuit was brought forward by the National TPS Alliance on behalf of immigrants and their families contending that the government's decision to end TPS was based on a predetermined agenda that violated the law. Judge Chen has stated that there is evidence that the administration may have violated US Constitution when it made the decision to end the TPS program. Plaintiffs in the lawsuit raised serious questions as to whether the actions by DHS were influenced by the White House and based on animus against non-white, non-European immigrants – a violation of the US Constitution which guarantees Equal Protection for all.

CARECEN SF thanks the brave immigrants and families that are participating in this lawsuit and thanks the National TPS Alliance for spearheading this effort to defend immigrant rights and provide protection for all under the US Constitution. There is still much work that needs to be done in order to bring about equality to all immigrants. Efforts like these continue to unite our people across the nation and affirm our values of inclusion and the rights of all people to have peace, safety and dignity.

**CARECEN SF** empowers and responds to the needs, rights and aspirations of Latino, immigrant and under-resourced families in the San Francisco Bay Area – building leadership to pursue self-determination and justice. Learn more at [carecensf.org](http://carecensf.org).

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