

*We envision a world where the fundamental right to move is respected and appreciated by all. Our view is that all human beings are entitled to respect, documents, and a process through which to move, settle, and resettle in the world.*



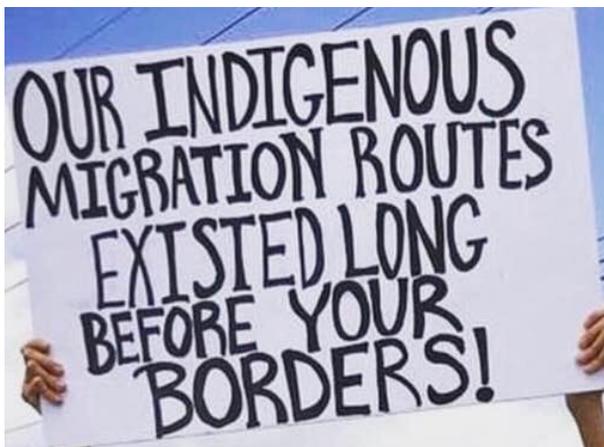
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## **Celebrating International Migrants Day With a Call to Action**

Dear Friends and Family,

Today, December 18th, we celebrate [International Migrants Day](#). At the conclusion of the [United Nations climate summit in Madrid](#), we remember the massive increase of refugees and indigenous people being displaced around the world. We also amplify the recent statement of Rose Whipple, indigenous youth activist from [SustainUS](#):

*"The climate crisis is more than a discussion about 1.5 degrees Celsius. It also looks like stolen and caged children at the U.S.-Mexico border. It looks like missing and murdered indigenous women. People are dying. [Indigenous land defenders are being murdered](#). The climate crisis is a spiritual crisis for our entire world. Our solutions must weave science with spirituality and traditional ecological knowledge with technology. Our movements must be bigger than recycling and braver than holding signs. It is up to each and every one of us to build movements that center the rights of indigenous peoples, healing, and justice for the next seven generations."*



**On this International Migrants Day, can you donate \$10 to help Pangea's work?**

So many of Pangea's clients are at the heart of Rose Whipple's call to action. Martha\* is an indigenous Guatemalan mother who was forced to pick coffee on colonialist plantations that decimate the environment and rely on indigenous slave labor. She now has asylum and supports other immigrants at rallies and events, alongside Pangea. Juan\* is an indigenous Guatemalan father who [fled corporate mines](#) that are polluting his native lands, [killing land activists](#), and enslaving indigenous communities. Juan has asylum now but continues to support his community back in Guatemala. Arnoldo\* is an indigenous Guatemalan teacher who received beatings and death threats for demanding running water for his community and refusing to do slave labor on his own native lands. Arnoldo now has asylum and yearns for a future when his community is governed by indigenous leaders.

Today, Pangea stands in solidarity with Martha, Juan, Arnoldo, and all of those at the intersection of [indigenous climate](#), and immigration movements.

\*Names have been changed



Pangea clients Eduardo, Felicita, and family -- Mayan/Mam-speakers from Guatemala who won asylum

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**Warmly,  
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