

Salt Lake Tribune story on Utah's Stephen Sandstrom evolving compassion

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Former Rep. Stephen Sandstrom authored an immigration enforcement bill for Utah in 2010 much like Arizona's. But now *The Salt Lake Tribune* [reports](#) [1]:

The changing heart of Stephen Sandstrom hinged on meeting a teenager named Sara.

It was the summer of 2011 and the Orem Republican lawmaker had just finished a panel discussion on illegal immigration at a West Valley City school auditorium, where he was defending a hard-line approach.

Sandstrom, who tended to stay late after public events to meet with people one on one, was approached afterward by a 19-year-old with long, dark hair. She began to tell him her story. He later said he couldn't stop thinking about her.

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