

# Know Your Rights: Navigating ICE Encounters in the United States



## At Your Home (#1 Safest Location)

- Do not open the door to ICE agents
- Request to see a valid judicial warrant (signed by a judge). ICE warrants are not enough
- Only a judicial warrant signed by a judge allows entry into your home
- Clearly state: "I do not consent to your entry" and "I choose to remain silent"



## At Your Workplace

- ICE can enter public areas (e.g., lobby of office, restaurant dining areas) without a warrant
- Private areas (e.g., break rooms, restaurant kitchen, non-public areas, etc.) require consent or a judicial warrant
- Refer ICE to your manager or employer and go to a private area at your job
- Do not answer ICE's questions or provide identification — direct them to your supervisor



## In Your Vehicle

- Only roll your window down slightly
- Drivers should provide a valid U.S. license, if requested
- Passengers do not have to show ID in many states. Do not show passport, consular ID or expired visa
- ICE cannot search your car without probable cause or consent. Do not consent



## In Public (#1 Least Safe Location)

- ICE does not need a warrant to speak to you in public
- If stopped, ask "Am I free to go?" If ICE says "no" exercise right to remain silent
- You can refuse a search
- Do not carry false documents. You can provide state ID or driver's license, but do not show evidence that you were born in another country
- If you have valid, unexpired proof of immigration status, show the ICE officer



## If Detained

- Exercise your right to remain silent
- Ask to speak to a lawyer immediately
- Request the Detainee Handbook and a list of pro bono attorneys
- Do not sign any documents without legal review

### Important Documents

- Keep copies of all immigration documents in a secure location
- Create a family preparedness plan with emergency contacts
- Memorize important phone numbers in case of detention

### Community Protection

- Share this information with family, friends and neighbors
- Consider establishing a community alert system
- Connect with local immigrant rights organizations

In all situations, remain calm and respectful while firmly exercising your rights. Never physically resist officers, but clearly state your objections for the legal record. Do not provide false information or documents. The most important phrase to remember is: "I choose to remain silent and want to speak to a lawyer."