KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!



IF ICE STOPS YOU ON THE STREET, YOU HAVE RIGHTS!

ICE CAN ONLY ARREST YOU IF THEY HAVE PROBABLE CAUSE THAT YOU ARE IN THE U.S. WITHOUT LAWFUL STATUS OR ARE DEPORTABLE

If ICE approaches you on the street and says your name, before you say anything else, ask, "Am I free to go?" If ICE says yes but still tries to ask you questions, clearly state: "I don't want to answer your questions," and slowly walk away.

If ICE says you are not free to leave, remember that you have the right to remain silent and not answer any questions about your nationality or immigration status. Clearly state: "I want to exercise my right to remain silent," and then say, "I would like to speak to an immigration attorney." **Remember to remain calm, do not attempt to resist arrest, and most importantly do not give false information to ICE.**



2 DO NOT GIVE ICE ANY FOREIGN NATIONALITY IDENTITY DOCUMENTS UNLESS ICE PRESENTS A WARRANT SIGNED BY A JUDGE (THIS IS VERY RARE)

You are not required to present your identification to immigration officials. However, if you do decide to show identification, it is best to show identification that does not state your immigration status or country of origin, such as a New Jersey State ID Card or a New Jersey Driver's License. If ICE demands your passport or national ID card, you do not have to provide it unless ICE has a judicial warrant. If possible, it is best not to carry foreign nationality documents on you.





DO NOT CONSENT TO BEING SEARCHED

The 4th Amendment of the Constitution protects you against unreasonable searches and seizures. Sometimes, ICE tries to get around this rule by asking for your consent to search you or your belongings. **Remember: if ICE asks for your permission to search** or starts searching you without asking, you have the right to say, "I do not consent to this search."

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YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO RECORD

If you are accompanied by someone, ask them to safely record the incident. Make sure that the person recording maintains a safe distance, does not interfere with the arrest, keeps the camera steady and does not talk while recording in order to get clear audio. Do not edit the original copy of the video. If it is not safe to record, make sure to take detailed notes.

PLAN AHEAD

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If you are at risk of being stopped by ICE, it is important to create a plan for yourself and your loved ones in advance. Memorize the number of a contact (partner, friend, relative) that you can call in case of an emergency. If you have an immigration attorney, memorize their number. Have a list ready of your medications, allergies, and other important details that your emergency contact can have access to in case you are arrested.

