

Officer:

I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name on it that you slide under the door. I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights.

I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.

*These cards are available to citizens and noncitizens.*

## GET INVOLVED/TAKE ACTION



Join one of our committees and learn more about your rights as an immigrant

### Passaic

**WEDNESDAY 6:00PM** 184 Passaic Street  
Passaic, NJ

### Perth Amboy

**THURSDAY 6:30PM** YMCA of Raritan  
357 New Brunswick Ave.  
Perth Amboy, NJ

### Elizabeth

**THURSDAY 7:00PM** 42 Broad Street  
Elizabeth, NJ

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## WHAT TO DO DURING AN ENCOUNTER WITH IMMIGRATION

### If ICE COMES TO YOUR HOME

**DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR.** ICE can not enter your home without a search warrant.

**ASK TO SEE THE WARRANT UNDER THE DOOR.** If the agents say they have a warrant, ask them to pass the warrant to you under the door. Do not open the door.

**REVIEW THE WARRANT.** Confirm the name and address on the warrant to make sure it is a valid warrant with your name or someone who lives at your address. Also check that the warrant is signed by a judge. An ICE warrant is not the same as a judicial warrant. During home raids, the agents often say they have a judicial warrant when all they have is an ICE warrant.

**DOCUMENT WHAT HAPPENED.** Ask for the ICE agents' names and badge numbers. Write down and take pictures of everything that happened during the raid.



## **IF ICE APPROACHES YOU ON THE STREET OR PUBLIC PLACE**

**ASK: "Am I free to go?" and STAY SILENT.** ICE cannot detain you to question you without a reason. Before giving ICE your name or any information, ask if you are free to go. If they say "yes," leave the location. If they say "no" tell them you don't want to answer any questions & you need to speak to a lawyer.

**DO NOT AUTHORIZE A SEARCH.** If ICE attempts to search you or your property, say "I do not consent to this search."

**DO NOT RUN.** If you run, this could help ICE develop a legal reason to stop you.



## **REMEMBER**

**PREPARE** yourself and your family in case you are arrested. Memorize your family's and lawyer's phone numbers. Make emergency plans if you have children or medical needs. Keep copies of important documents with someone you trust.

**STAY SILENT.** Do not answer any of ICE's questions or give them any information. Anything you say can be used against you.

**DO NOT RESIST ARREST.** Even if ICE is detaining you wrongfully, do not resist the arrest.

**DO NOT LIE OR SHOW FALSE DOCUMENTS.** If you are a US Citizen or have lawful status, show proof. If you do not have immigration documents, tell ICE that you want to remain silent. Avoid showing documentation from your home country.

**ASK TO SPEAK TO A LAWYER.** Do not say anything, and do not make any decisions without speaking to a lawyer.

**DO NOT SIGN.** The ICE agents could tell you that you need to sign some documents. Do not sign anything until consulting with your lawyer.



## **IF ICE APPROACHES YOU**

**DO NOT ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE AGENT** if they try talk to you. You have the right to remain silent. You have the right to speak to a lawyer.

**DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR** if an immigration agent is at your door. If the agent says they have a warrant, ask them to pass the warrant under the door to verify that it is signed by a judge.

**CUT THIS CARD AND GIVE IT TO THE AGENT.**  
**DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR.** You have constitutional rights.

