

Immigrant Family's Rights

❖ **If ICE knocks on your door:**

- You have the right NOT to open the door.
- You should ask the ICE agent for a warrant with the information of the person they are looking for. You can ask them to pass it under the door or the window. If the warrant does not have your information, you don't have to open the door.
- You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say could be used against you.
- You have the right to contact your lawyer. If you don't have one, you can contact a representative at the consulate of your country of origin, a family member, or a representative of your church to help you find the legal representation you need.
- You have the right to not accept voluntary departure and ask to see an immigration judge. You don't have to sign any document you don't understand.



❖ **If ICE**

* **Arrives at work**

or

* **You have an encounter with ICE on the street:**

- Do not run.
- Do not carry false documents – **IT'S A CRIME**
- You have the right to remain silent.
- You have the right to speak to you lawyer before answering any questions.

❖ **Have a plan for your family:**



- Have documents or letters from companies, organizations, or churches that show the time you have resided in the country or volunteered at community organizations.
 - Have important documentation at hand such as your birth certificate, marriage certificate, and children's birth certificates.
 - Have necessary documentation of your immigration cases such as your "A" file numbers.
 - Prepare a letter to be used, in case you are detained by ICE. It should express your wishes for the care of your children by an assigned person of your trust.
 - Get to know your church volunteer who has been assigned to help you find recognized and well known community agencies where you can ask for help.
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