



Know Your Resources!

A guide to the resources and support in the City of Berkeley for our immigrant community

WHAT IS A SANCTUARY CITY OR PLACE?

Cities or places that adopt a policy to not support, communicate with or submit to the demands of federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers. Policies can include speaking out on behalf of immigrant rights, protecting the privacy of individuals and/or refusing to consent to attempts made by federal agents to search without a warrant.

BERKELEY IS A SANCTUARY CITY

Our community believes in protecting all of our residents and letting them know they are safe, regardless of their immigration status. In line with this value, all departments and employees of the City of Berkeley, including the Berkeley Police Department, have committed to not comply with ICE officers lacking a valid judicial warrant (a court order signed by a District Judge that allows ICE to conduct a limited and specific search) by:

- **Not assisting or cooperating with any ICE investigation, detention, or arrest procedure**
- **Not requesting or provide any information about the immigration status of any individual**

SANCTUARY PLACES AND POLICIES THROUGHOUT OUR CITY

The residents of Berkeley have a long history and deep commitment to welcoming immigrants, refugees and those in exile. In addition to the City of Berkeley and the Berkeley Police Department, several other institutions have adopted similar policies including Berkeley Unified School District, Berkeley Community College, UC Berkeley and University Lutheran Chapel. The Office of the Mayor has convened a Sanctuary City Task Force with community members, legal experts and advocates to expand our sanctuary places and establish a unified community response.

LEGAL AND COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE IN OUR AREA

ATTORNEY REFERRALS AND LEGAL SERVICE

API Legal Outreach

1305 Franklin Street, Suite 410, Oakland
510-25-2844

Catholic Charities of the East Bay

433 Jefferson Street, Oakland
510-768-3100

Centro Legal de La Raza

3400 East 12th Street, Oakland
510-244-4311

East Bay Community Law Center

2921 Adeline Street, Berkeley
510-548-4040 x 395

East Bay Sanctuary Covenant

2362 Bancroft Way, Berkeley
510-540-5296

SELF-HELP CLINICS

East Bay Community Law Center Public Benefits Self-help Clinic

Tuesdays 11am- 2pm by appointment
2921 Adeline Street, Berkeley, CA
510-548-4040 x 699

IMMIGRATION COUNSELING AND SERVICE

International Institute of the Bay Area

405 14th Street, Suite 500, Oakland
510-451-2846

Call 510-241-4011

The Alameda County Immigration Legal & Education Partnership
(ACILEP) Hotline for rapid response to ICE and legal services

To report Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activity

Call 311 for more information and to learn how you can help



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HOW TO PREPARE FOR A SITUATION INVOLVING FEDERAL ICE AGENTS

Develop a Family Preparedness Plan

While we hope no family will ever have to use their plan, having one in place can greatly help in case of an ICE detainment. Plans include developing a childcare plan, recording all emergency, family and medical contacts, ensuring all important documents are filed and accessible, and understanding your immigration options. Access the Immigration Legal Resource Center Preparedness Plan at <https://www.ilrc.org/family-preparedness-plan> to begin planning today.

Establishing a Caregiver Authorization Affidavit (CAA) and Guardianship

In California, a CAA allows another adult to make certain school and medical decisions on behalf of your child. This form can be given to your child's school or health care provider so decisions can be made in your absence without affecting your parental rights. Access the form and instructions at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/caregiver.pdf>. **If you have a child in the Berkeley Public School District, you may also contact susanraig@berkeley.net.**

Guardianship is when a court appoints a legal guardian for your child, however this cannot be done informally or at the last minute. You can prepare a Form GC-211 that nominates a specific person as the guardian for your child, and can make it conditional in the case of your detention or deportation. **You should talk to an attorney before taking this step.**

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

No matter who is our President, everyone living in the United States has certain basic rights under the Constitution, including undocumented immigrants.

- **Do not open your door - ICE must have a warrant signed by a judge with your correct name and address**
- **You have the right to remain silent - do not answer questions**
- **You have the right to speak to a lawyer - you may have them there during questioning**
- **Always carry a valid immigration document with you such as a work permit or green card**
- **If you are afraid you might be arrested by ICE let the officer know if you have children - ICE may exercise discretion and let you go if you notify them that you are a parent or primary caregiver of a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident**
- **If looking for a family member of friend who has been detained visit <http://locator.ice.gov>**

ADDITIONAL WAYS TO DOCUMENT RAIDS

In addition to calling the ACILEP hotline, you can text 877877 or call the United We Dream hotline at 844-363-1423.

Carry a Know Your Rights card with you - it will explain that you are remaining silent and wish to contact a lawyer.

Know Your Rights!

If you are stopped by immigration or the police:

- Hand this card to the officer and remain silent
- The card explains that you are exercising your right to refuse to answer any questions until you have talked to a lawyer.

To Whom It May Concern

Please be informed that I am choosing to exercise my right to remain silent and my right to refuse to answer your questions. If I am detained, I request to contact an attorney immediately. I am also exercising my right to refuse to sign anything until I consult with my attorney. Thank you.