Know your rights
Information for students and families

Before a raid, families should:

• **Identify a local nonprofit organization that can help you.** Find out who in your community provides free legal support services (e.g., immigration advocates, legal aid organizations, churches or worker centers).

• **Identify an attorney.** Find out the name and phone number of a reliable immigration attorney ahead of time and keep this information with you at all times.

• **Obtain a “know your rights” card.** These cards state that you would like to exercise your right to remain silent and that you would like to speak to an attorney. The name and phone number of your attorney should be listed on the card.

• **Advise family members who do not want to be questioned by ICE to stay away from where the raid occurred and where the detained person is being held.**

• **Start saving money.** You’ll need money to hire an attorney and for toiletries and food during detention. It’s best to start saving now.

• **Create a family immigration raid emergency plan.** To find out how to make your plan, refer to page 13 of this guide.

Creating a family immigration raid emergency plan

Some parents at risk of deportation may be reluctant to develop an emergency plan or even talk to their children about the risk of separation. However, developing a plan can help ease anxiety of the unknown, increase the chances of families being able to stay together should separation occur, and prevent children from unnecessarily entering the child welfare system. Parents should create a plan and share as much of that plan as possible with their children. Don’t wait—be proactive and plan ahead.

Questions families should address in order to prepare for an immigration raid

• Who will take care of my children (family member and/or legal guardian)?

• Who can sign a power of attorney?

• Who will have access to my assets (bank accounts, car, home, etc.)?

• How and where can I find legal help? What are the forms I need to have ready to be able to receive this legal help?

• How can I find my loved one in detention?

• What are a person’s rights in detention?

• How do I know if my loved one can pay bond?

• How can I fundraise to pay for a bond or an attorney’s legal services?

• What can I do to help my loved one?

• Who or what organizations can help me?
WHAT TO DO IF ICE COMES TO YOUR DOOR

DO NOT OPEN DOORS
ICE cannot come in without a signed warrant by a criminal court judge. They can only come in if you let them.

REMAIN SILENT
ICE can use anything you say against you in your immigration case so claim your right to remain silent!
*Say "I plead the fifth amendment and choose to remain silent".

DO NOT SIGN
Don’t sign anything ICE gives you without talking to an attorney.

REPORT & RECORD!
Take pictures & video unless you’re on federal government property.
Take notes of badge numbers, number of agents, time, type of car and exactly what happened!

FIGHT BACK!
Get a trustworthy attorney & explore all options to fight your case. If detained, you may be able to get bail - don’t give up hope!
Join your local team to defend yourself from enforcement!
EN CASO DE REDADAS
¿QUÉ PUEDES HACER?

NO ABRAS LA PUERTA
La migra solo puede entrar a tu casa con una orden de arresto emitida por un juez de la corte criminal, o si tu le abres la puerta. ¡No habras la puerta!

GUARDA SILENCIO
Tienes el derecho a permanecer callado/a. Si te confrontan agentes de inmigración, di:

"Uso mi derecho bajo la quinta enmienda, y tengo el derecho a mantenerme callado/a"

NO FIRMES
No firmes nada que te den los agentes de inmigración.

¡REPORTA Y GRABA!
Reporta inmediatamente al 1-844-363-1423.
Toma fotos y videos, a menos que estes en suelo federal. Toma notas del número de placa, el número de los agentes, la hora, el tipo de carro, y exactamente que sucedió.

¡HAZ UN PLAN Y PELEA!
Si inmigración detiene a un ser querido, busca un abogado de confianza, y haz planes para que alguien cuide a tus hijos. Tu puedes pelear un caso de detención y tal vez recibir una fianza. Únete a un equipo local para defenderte de la migra.
Immigrant and Refugee Children
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✦ Do not open doors. ICE cannot come in without a signed warrant. Tell them to pass the warrant under the door before you open it.

✦ Remain silent. ICE can use anything you say against you in your immigration case so claim your right to remain silent! Say “I plead the Fifth Amendment and choose to remain silent.”

✦ Do not sign. Don’t sign anything ICE gives you without talking to an attorney.

✦ Report the raid! Report it immediately to the UWD hotline: 1-844-363-1423. Take pictures, video and notes: badge numbers, number of agents, exactly what happened!

✦ Fight back! Get a trustworthy attorney and explore all options to fight your case. If detained, you may be able to get bail—don’t give up hope!

Getting started:
Seven steps to help prepare your family for an immigration raid

1. Identify a legal aid organization, legal advocate or pro bono attorney, and write down the organization’s or person’s contact information.

2. Identify at least two willing caregivers and write down their complete contact information.

3. Collect important documents for children, such as passports, birth certificates, Social Security cards, and school and medical records.

4. Save money for legal fees/bonds. Write down your information regarding financial records, bank statements, savings accounts, credit cards, etc.

5. Consider establishing a power of attorney for a designated caregiver, authorizing that adult to care for your children under the age of 18.

6. Do not carry any false documents.

7. Have your documents ready and organized: passports, IDs, attorney contact information, financial records, letters from immigration, and your Alien Registration Number, or A-Number, if you have a pending immigration case. All of these documents should be organized in a folder or binder for easy access in a place where your children, housemates or trusted relatives will be able to access it in case of an emergency.
During a raid

Know your rights:

- **Do not open the door** unless the immigration officer/ICE agent has a warrant.
- **Ask for a warrant.** Have the ICE agent push the warrant under the door or through a crack on the side of the door. Do not open the door to get it. Make sure the warrant correctly states your name and address.
- **You have the right to remain silent.** Remain silent or tell the ICE agent that you want to remain silent.
- **You have the right to an attorney.** Ask to speak with a lawyer.
- **Carry a “know your rights” card.** Be sure to hand it to the ICE agent.
- **Do not sign any documents without first speaking with a lawyer.**

- **Let the officers know if you have children.** Parents or primary caregivers of U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident children may be eligible for discretion.
- **Call the United We Dream hotline at 1-844-363-1423 to report the raid.** Friendly representatives are standing by and ready to answer your questions and refer you to people who may be able to help. UWD representatives can also identify the frequency of raids in a particular area to identify patterns.
- **Send a text message to 877877 to report that the raid is happening.** Include the location of the raid.
- **Document the raid.** If it’s possible and safe to do so, take photos and videos of the raid. Take notes and write down the names and badge numbers of the ICE agents.
“I think people forget that these detention centers are prisons and sometimes have harsher conditions. The figure of a woman and her child in a desolate cell is eye opening. I don’t want to victimize her but I also want to be real about her struggle.”

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