

Stay safe. If an officer tries to enter your home without your permission, do not block the doorway or physically obstruct the officer. Just tell the officer, "I do not consent to you entering my home" and document the encounter.

- Verify** their identity and purpose.
- Document** the encounter.
- Report** what happened.

Don't be fooled. Know your rights.

- *We're police investigating a serious crime and just want to ask a few questions. Can we come in?*
- *We're police and there is an issue with your car. Can you come outside?*
- *We're probation officers looking for a person that lives at this house. Are they here? Can we come in?*

When ICE impersonates police, these are the types of stories they often tell:

Ask what police or probation department they are from.

Remember what they say, and if they lie, document it for proof. Ask for a business card or a badge.

Verify who the officer is. Determine whether they are really police or probation.

- ICE usually wears civilian or plain clothing w/ black bulletproof vests. Oftentimes it says "POLICE" on the front or back.
- Local police, on the other hand, wear distinct uniforms with identifying insignias.

Look at their uniforms. Uniforms are one way to tell what agency an officer is from.

ICE is NOT WELCOME IN OUR HOMES.

A growing proportion of arrests by ICE are in homes, workplaces, and public spaces. ICE is increasingly using deceptive, abusive and illegal tactics.

But communities that know their rights can lawfully prevent ICE from entering their homes and protect themselves, their neighbors, and their loved ones.

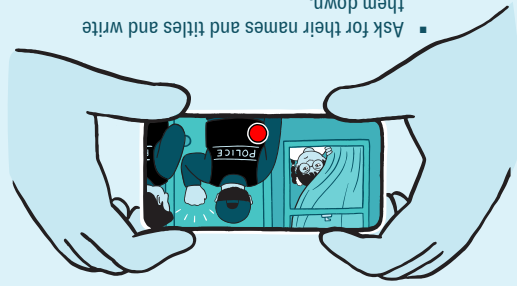
[ICENOTWELCOME.ORG](https://www.icenotwelcome.org)

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Remain silent. Never answer any questions about citizenship or immigration status without advice of a lawyer. If you are searched against your will, say: "I do not consent to this search."

- Ask for their names and titles and write them down.
- Ask why they are there.
- Find someone to witness the encounter - either from inside or outside the house.
- Document the details of any questioning, search, or arrest.



Document the encounter with video or audio. Remember names, times, and details. Documentation and witnesses can be critical to a legal defense, should that be necessary later.

Report what happened and seek legal assistance if necessary.

Together, we can protect each other and our family, friends, and neighbors.

- Download the free Mobile Justice app to record interactions with law enforcement and immigration officials and to send those interactions to the ACLU.
- Call your local Rapid Response Network to report the incident and to seek legal assistance, if needed.
- Share video or other documentation on social media.
- Report the incident to your consulate or a community organization.

What happened to you might be happening to others. With that information, we can fight back.

VERIFY DOCUMENT REPORT

RAPID RESPONSE HOTLINES

In case of an emergency, you can report ICE activity and enforcement actions by calling:

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| Boyle Heights
(323) 922-5644 | Orange County
(657) 210-0157 |
| Central Valley
(559) 206-0151 | Sacramento & Yolo
(916) 245-6773 |
| Humboldt County
(707) 282-5226 | San Bernardino/Riverside
(909) 361-4588 |
| Kern County
(661) 301-1398 | San Diego
(619) 536-0823 |
| Koreatown
(323) 894-1504 | Santa Clara County
(408) 290-1144 |
| Long Beach
(562) 269-1083 | Santa Cruz County
(831) 239-4289 |
| Los Angeles
(888) 624-4752 | Southern Central Coast
(805) 870-8855 |
| Monterey County
(831) 643-5225 | |

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