8 ways for allies to defend against ICE raids

Everyone deserves to live in safety and peace and have their human rights respected. No one should be detained and deported.

1. Email Congress: No more funding for ICE and CBP!
   For decades, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) have separated families and terrorized our communities. As Congress and the president negotiate a 2020 budget, tell your representatives: Cut funding to ICE and CBP. It's time to defund hate! afsc.org/defundhate

2. Display our posters in your community to help create welcoming spaces for all.
   Download our posters and social media graphics to spread the messages “Keep loved ones together,” “Abolish ICE,” and “Sanctuary Everywhere.” Use them for actions, display them in public spaces, or share them with on social media. afsc.org/stopICEgraphics

3. Share our Know Your Rights resource in your community.
   We all have rights and deserve to be treated with dignity and respect, even when confronted by ICE or other law enforcement. Our online resource (in English and Spanish) provides an overview of your rights at home, in your car, and in detention as well as how to prepare for emergencies. afsc.org/knowyourrights

4. Join local efforts to respond to immigration raids and help those affected.
   Contact immigrant rights organizations in your area to find ways to get involved. AFSC works with communities in several cities that have formed rapid response teams to report, track, and document ICE presence as well as deter mistreatment by immigration enforcement. We also help people through legal assistance and support efforts to provide for affected families’ basic needs.

5. Support organizing and advocacy to end collaboration between ICE and local law enforcement.
   Find out if your local law enforcement partners with ICE. Numerous reports have documented the negative impact of such collaborations, which lead to widespread racial profiling, deny immigrants due process rights, and fuel distrust between immigrant communities and law enforcement. In New Jersey, California, and elsewhere, AFSC has played a critical role in stopping local law enforcement from cooperating with ICE.

6. Raise immigration issues to candidates on the campaign trail.
   During election season, you have a unique opportunity to get candidates on the record about issues that are important to you—and to influence their opinions. You can do this by seeking out a candidate for any public office and asking them where they stand on issues like immigration. Your efforts can generate media coverage that informs the public and elevates the call for humane immigration policies. afsc.org/birddogging

7. Offer sanctuary to people facing deportation.
   Religious and faith communities have a long history of providing sanctuary to those in need. Is your congregation interested in creating a sanctuary space for people facing deportation? If so, watch our webinar “How to offer sanctuary.” afsc.org/sanctuarycall

8. Make a donation today.
   Support AFSC’s ongoing work to provide legal services for immigrants, advocate for humane immigration policies, and continue our worldwide work for peace and justice. afsc.org/support