

# WHEN QUESTIONING ICE/CBP

- "Are you conducting immigration enforcement?"
- "Do you have a judicial warrant signed by a judge? Can I see it?"
- "Are you detaining someone? On what grounds?"
- "Why are your faces covered? Federal agents have to identify themselves."
- "You are being recorded. You are refusing to identify yourself while detaining someone in public."

## IF YOU SEE A DETENTION TAKING PLACE

If able, be a guide for the person being targeted:

"I'm just reminding you..."

- "You have the right to remain silent!"
- "Ask to see a judicial warrant!"
- "You have the right to contact your attorney!"
- "You do not need to sign anything!"

"Sólo te estoy recordando..."

- "¡Tienes derecho de permanecer en silencio!"
- "¡Pida ver una orden judicial!"
- "¡Tienes derecho a contactar a tu abogado!"
- "¡No necesitas firmar nada!"

If you're able to, ask:

- "What's your first and last name?"
- "What is the name/number of someone I can contact for you?"
- "¿Cuál es tu nombre y apellidos?"
- "¿Cuál es el nombre/número de alguien a quien puedo contactar para usted?"

## TAILING ICE/CBP VEHICLES

- Some people have begun following ICE/CBP agents in cars or on bikes. This provides an opportunity to alert communities of their presence and also slows them down.
- When driving, it is best to go in groups of at least two people per car so one person can record and communicate with rapid response chats while the other drives.
- Agents are incredibly violent and can be expected to show no regard for your constitutional rights. When you go out to do proactive or reactive community defense, make sure someone offsite knows your full legal name and DOB and there is a plan for them to call the National Lawyers Guild (872-465-4244) if they haven't heard from you by a designated time. Write the hotline on your leg or arm as well.
- Be aware that in the last 2 weeks, Border Patrol agents have increasingly lured bikers/drivers into alleys or small streets to threaten and harass responders.

## PPE RECOMMENDATIONS

- GOOGLES:** Pyramex V2G Plus Full Seal Safety Goggles (\$9)
- RESPIRATOR:** 3M 6000 Series Half Mask Respirator with P100 OV/AG (Organic Vapor and Acid Gas) cartridges (approx \$45)
- HELMET:** standard bike helmet or, for something more discreet, a bump cap as used in baseball

## DIGITAL SECURITY BASICS

- Turn off Biometrics Face/Touch ID so your phone can't be unlocked without your consent. Use a passcode instead.
- Airplane mode + GPS tracking and Wi-Fi off when not needed.
- Download offline maps (e.g., Google Maps offline)
- Back up your phone before leaving in case it's lost, taken, or damaged.
- Use encrypted apps. Enable disappearing messages. Change your Signal name fairly regularly.
- If filming, blur or avoid faces to protect others.
- Cloud backup (Proton Drive, iCloud, Dropbox, etc.) saves footage if your phone gets lost.
- Minimal personal data: bring the least amount of sensitive info on your device.
- Log out of accounts you don't need. Leave Signal chats you don't need.
- VPN adds a layer of security while online.

## PROACTIVE COMMUNITY DEFENSE

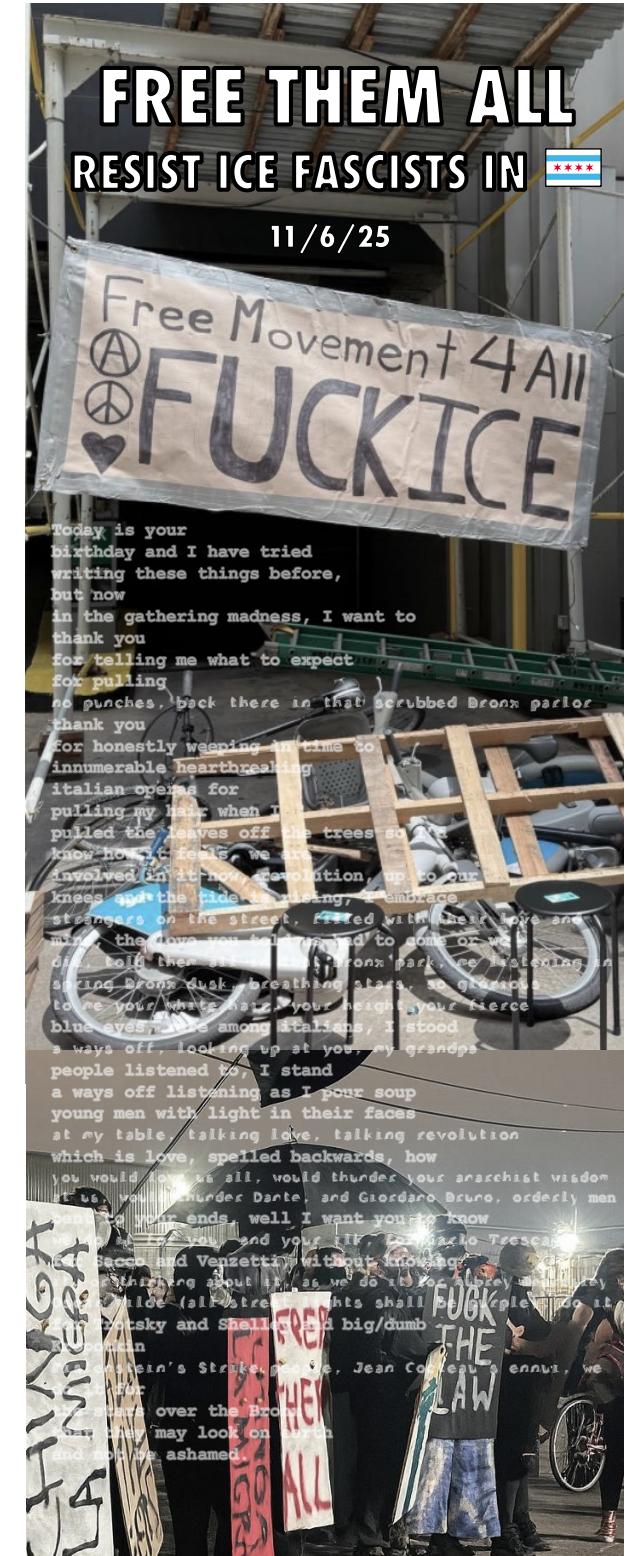
- Join a school patrol. If you're connected to a local rapid response group, you can ask there how to get involved.
- Spots where day laborers are hired (often Home Depots as well as other hiring corners throughout the city) are particularly vulnerable. Search online and connect with the Latino Union's Adopt a Corner call to action or just show up to a spot and meet people on the ground.
- If ICE has been confirmed in an area within an hour, let vulnerable people know, sticking to SALUTE details, and sharing pictures when possible.
- To stay informed, follow @djbyrnes1.bsky.social, @mulchy.bsky.social, and Unraveled Press.

Cover: 55 E Monroe (6/16/25) and 1930 Beach St in Broadview (9/19/25). Poem by Diane di Prima (1968).

Want to modify this zine or adapt it for your neighborhood? Feel free! For editable version, DM admins on HP+ Ice Out broadcast channel on Signal.

**FREE THEM ALL**  
**RESIST ICE FASCISTS IN** 

11/6/25



# NOTES ON ORGANIZING AGAINST DEPORTATIONS IN CHICAGO (JUNE 2025 - PRESENT)

In response to ICE kidnapping people in late May and early June from the federal immigration court (55 E Monroe) and the office for the Intensive Supervision Appearance Program (2245 S Michigan Ave), autonomous protestors established a daily presence outside 55 E Monroe. They documented license plates, warned people when court accompaniment spotted ICE inside, and physically blocked ICE vehicles from entering the premises. Direct action worked: ICE pulled back from this location for over three months (June 17 to Sept 25), during which time countless people were able to safely attend their immigration hearings.

In July, protestors shifted to the nearby federal building (101 W Ida B Wells) after getting wind that ICE intended to switch to targeting immigrants at hearings there. This did not come to pass - what ICE did was instead kidnap people elsewhere, sporadically, and bring them to Ida for fingerprinting. One of the most valuable outcomes of the presence at Ida was that in the course of keeping watch and holding noise demos, protestors forged ties with another.

By late August, protestors were turning their attention to the "processing facility" (now a de facto concentration camp) at 1930 Beach St in Broadview. People began going there on Fridays to bear witness, blockade ICE vehicles, and stand in solidarity with people who were trying in vain to visit with loved ones held captive inside. As agents responded to the protests with increasing brutality, more people felt moved to come. The protests tied ICE's hands: DHS lamented in a court hearing that at some points in September, about half of the 85 ICE agents assigned to the Chicago area were kept in Broadview to "defend" the facility. Every hour that an agent is caught up in dealing with protestors is an hour they're not terrorizing, kidnapping and deporting our neighbors.

However, in October, the Illinois State Police stepped in to take over the task of violently repressing protests at the Broadview facility. This has freed up ICE & CBP to send more agents into neighborhoods, with horrific results. Accordingly, while there are still protests at Broadview, community defense efforts are now spread across neighborhoods. See the next page for some ways to get involved.

## SEVEN WAYS TO RESIST ICE (HYDE PARK, WOODLAWN, KENWOOD)

1. Download Signal and join the HP+ ICE Out Broadcast Channel (left). Whatsapp users can also join the bilingual KHPW Rapid Response Alerts channel (right).



2. Save the Family Support Network hotline to speed dial: **855-435-7693**. Call if you see ICE/CBP agents, and your sighting will be quickly forwarded to local rapid response groups.

3. Assemble and distribute whistle kits. (See "Resources for Whistle Warriors" [pilsenartscommunityhouse.org](http://pilsenartscommunityhouse.org))

4. Read "How to Form an Affinity Group" (Crimethinc) and form one with 5-12 trusted comrades. Practice de-arrest techniques together.

5. Buy from at-risk street vendors. The sooner they sell everything, the sooner they can be off the streets. You can also give to the Chicago Street Vendor Relief Fund (left) & the Rent Strike Fund of the All-Chicago Tenant Alliance (right):



6. Learn how to spot ICE vehicles and what you can say if you see ICE agents harassing or kidnapping someone. This zine covers some basics, but it is recommended to also attend ICE watch and de-arrest trainings in your neighborhood to connect with comrades in-person.

7. Look out for your own wellbeing and that of your comrades. The regime is counting on spreading panic and exhaustion. If you hear about a possible ICE sighting, try to find out SALUTE details (see next page) before passing it along. Help dispel false rumors. Take breaks. When a comrade says they're taking one, respect their boundaries! De-escalate all conflicts that aren't with the enemy.

## HOW TO RECOGNIZE ICE VEHICLES

- 1 to 2 men in front wearing gaiter masks and tactical vests
- Erratic or aggressive driving
- Mostly American makes: Jeep, GMC, Chevy, Ford, Chrysler, Dodge
- Newer vehicles (2024-2026)
- Mostly white, black, gray, silver, gold or dark blue
- May be missing front plates (not a red flag on its own)
- Back plates may be partially obscured by duct tape or a plastic weather guard
- Moderately tinted windows (not a red flag on its own)

### Help reduce misidentifications and false alarms:

- Vehicles with MP (municipal police) or yellow or green LV/LIVERY (luxury taxi) plates are not ICE vehicles.
- Someone who is covered up but is alone riding a motorcycle or bike is most likely not ICE
- Empty vehicles are almost never ICE
- Vans are probably not ICE if there is not already confirmed evidence of ICE in the area. ICE/CBP generally doesn't use vans for the kidnappings, but transfers people into vans later.

If a vehicle matches some characteristics from the top list but you do not get eyes on ICE agents inside it, you can let others know of the details as an unconfirmed possible sighting, but please do not call the FSN hotline. On the other hand, if you see the agents, or if the license plates match ones seen leaving the Broadview facility, call the FSN hotline (855 435 7693). The acronym SALUTE will help you convey key details:

- Size: size of the group (ex. 5 officers)
- Actions: (ex. Harassing random people on the street)
- Location/direction (ex. 55<sup>th</sup> and University headed west)
- Uniform/clothes (ex. Dark green vests that say "ICE")
- Time/date of observation
- Equipment/weapons (ex. Helmets, vests, pepper ball guns)

### **Migra watch and cop watch, not neighborhood watch!**

When doing rapid response we need to be aware of the need to be an ice/fed/cop watch, not a neighborhood watch, which have long been enforcers and surveillance for white supremacy. This is especially true if what some responders view as "suspicious" risks turning into a watch-occupying-your-block scenario. Remember that someone who is unnerved by your presence can have many reasons for that, and being ICE is quite unlikely to be the one, barring other evidence! Be aware of how you are potentially perceived - could you be perceived as a cop/fed or some other kind of risk? If a report isn't confirmed, have 1-2 people who show up check it out from a distance. Do not surround a vehicle before responders are very sure that it's ICE/CBP. If you are wrong, communicate with the person about what happened and apologize.