



# Immigration Resources

## For Families

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### Printable Red Cards in 16 Languages: [Red Cards / Tarjetas Rojas](#) (Immigrant Legal Resource Center)



### What is a Red Card?

"All people in the United States, regardless of immigration status, have certain rights and protections under the U.S. Constitution. The ILRC's Red Cards help people assert their rights and defend themselves in many situations, such as when ICE agents go to a home" - Immigrant Legal Resource Center

## Know Your Rights

- [Know Your Rights Ohio: Immigrants' Rights](#) (ACLU of Ohio) - The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Ohio is committed to protecting immigrants' civil liberties and rights, opposing discriminatory laws, and ensuring due process for all individuals.
- [Know Your Rights Videos](#) ([English](#) | [Español](#) | [عربي](#) | [中文](#) | [Kreyòl Ayisyen](#) | [РУССКИЙ](#) | [اردو](#)) (We Have Rights) - Videos from an empowerment campaign to prepare for and safely defend our rights during encounters with Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE).
- [Know Your Rights Video Playlists](#) ([English](#) | [Español](#) | [العربية](#)) (ABLE) - Video guides covering immigrant rights, what to do if ICE agents come to your home, your rights outside of your home, and how to prepare your family.
- [Know Your Rights Handout](#) ([English](#) | [Español](#) | [中国人](#) | [한국인](#) | [العربية](#) | [Русский](#) | [Tagalog](#) | [Tiếng Việt](#)) (ABLE) - Handouts to help families prepare for a possible interaction with ICE.
- [Know Your Rights Toolkit](#) (Immigrant Legal Resource Center) - This toolkit includes information on community rights and how to prepare in case of emergencies as well as information for advocates
- [Know Your Rights: Immigrants' Rights](#) ([English](#) | [Español](#)) (ACLU) - Regardless of your immigration status, you have guaranteed rights under the US Constitution. This page includes practical guidance in several languages for a variety of scenarios to learn more about your rights as an immigrant, and how to express them.

- [Differences between ICE and Judicial Warrants](#) (Bashyam Global Immigration Law Group) - This video explains the important differences between ICE and Judicial warrants and what you need to know if you are presented either of these warrants. Keep in mind ONLY judicial warrants are legally enforceable.
- [Know Your Rights: If You Encounter ICE](#) (National Immigrant Justice Center) - Information on creating a safety plan, defending your rights, and sample Administrative and Judicial Warrants to help families understand the difference between the two. Officers must have a judicial warrant signed by a judge to enter your home.

## Create a Plan

- [Step-by-Step Family Preparedness Plan \(English | Español\)](#) (Immigration Legal Resource Center) - Ensures families at risk of deportation have their wishes and information written down.
- [Plan De Preparación Familiar | Family Preparedness Plan Workbook](#) (Boston Medical Center) - Every family should have a FPP, regardless of immigration status, to reduce the stress of the unexpected. In case of an emergency this plan will allow a trusted designated caregiver to care of a child to whom they might know nothing about. This plan will also have the necessary information for family reunification if that is a feasible and safe possibility. The Family Preparedness Plan is meant to be filled out by the parent/caregiver. Due to the nature of this document we encourage you to use these materials in a sensitive way.
- [Preparing Your Family for Immigration Enforcement: Informational Packets](#) (العربية | 中文 | English | Français | Kinyarwanda | Somaliya | Español | Kiswahili) (ABLE) - \*Scroll to the bottom of the page. The English PDF of our Preparing Your Family for Immigration Enforcement informational packets has been updated as of January 2025. Additional languages are currently in translation and will be updated shortly.
- [Steps to Take to Prepare Your Family](#) (Informed Immigrant) - The Informed Immigrant guide outlines steps for families to prepare for potential detention or deportation, including creating a family preparedness plan, designating guardians for minor children, safeguarding important documents, and understanding legal rights during encounters with immigration enforcement.
- [What To Do if Immigration Comes to Your Workplace](#) (National Immigration Law Center) - This guide explains the most common immigration actions affecting employers, recommendations for how employers can prepare, employers' rights and responsibilities, and what employers can do after an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) action.
- [Special Considerations For LGBTQ Immigrants](#) (Immigrant Legal Resource Center) - Outlines unique challenges LGBTQ immigrants may face, including considerations for obtaining immigration status through same-sex marriage, protections for victims of crime and domestic violence, and asylum options for those fearing persecution in their home countries.
- [How to Talk to a Child Worried about Deportation](#) (Center for Child Stress and Health at Florida State University) - This one-page resource helps adults identify children's stress responses to news reports and adult discussions about deportation and provides ways parents can help and be prepared.

## Emergency Resources

- [National Immigration Legal Services Directory](#) (Immigration Advocates Network) - Search immigration legal services by zip code
- [What If I'm Picked Up By ICE](#) (Steptoe) - This guide helps families prepare for the possibility of being detained, deported, and separated from their children.

## Other Resources for Immigrant Families

- [Ohio Is Home](#) - The Ohio Immigrant Alliance, in collaboration with partners, has created the Ohio is Home guide to provide immigrants, service providers, and community members with a streamlined overview of the content available on the [OhioIsHome.org](#) website.
- [United We Dream](#) - United We Dream is the largest immigrant youth-led community in the country. Their website contains news, action items, and other resources for immigrants in the US.