

MOBILIZATIONS AGAINST ICE/DHS THIS SUMMER

- **June 3, Minneapolis:** A crowd of locals confronts ICE and other feds, county sheriffs, and MPD outside of a taqueria in an immigrant neighborhood, blocking feds' vehicles and refusing to disperse. Within two hours, agents flee without detaining anyone.
- **June 4, Chicago:** ICE kidnaps an unprecedented 88 people in and around Chicago, 3/4 of whom have no known criminal convictions. This includes 10 who were lured to Intensive Supervision Appearance Program check-ins at 2245 S Michigan under false pretenses. An angry crowd of protestors there grows to around 100 and surrounds the sprinter van. With CPD onsite to threaten arrests, around 20 ICE agents with batons and a PepperBall gun march down the center of the street in a show of force, shoving journalists and alderpeople. Community members do not back down, heckling, filming, and pursuing the pigs down alleys to their unmarked cars.
- **June 6-8, LA:** ICE raids downtown and in Paramount and Compton to the south meet fierce resistance from thousands of autonomous locals, who repeatedly force the feds to retreat. While raid is underway inside a building in the Flower District, 50-100 people blockade it, trapping agents inside.
- **June 9-14, Seattle:** Protestors use Lime scooters to barricade an ICE facility and take down US flag.
- **June 9-10, NYC:** Anti-ICE sit-in in Trump Tower is broken up by NYPD and 24 are arrested. This inflames protests outside immigration court the following day, where cops get several bottles lobbed their way.
- **June 10, Chicago:** 70 protestors gather at immigration court (55 E Monroe) after a string of ICE kidnappings there in the preceding days. This causes court to be closed early. Several people have their hearings postponed, affording more time to find a lawyer. A few hours later, a march against ICE downtown swells to tens of thousands. ICE field office and police SUVs are tagged voluminously, and several de-arrests happen, including a comrade freed from a CPD paddy wagon.
- **June 11, Chicago:** Protestors return to Monroe in the morning and start committing to a daily presence there. ICE shows up at immigration court but this time does not take anyone.
- **June 12, Chicago:** ICE kidnaps more people from Monroe. Protestors form a human chain and block one ICE vehicle from entering the parking garage. An ICE vehicle leaving with abductees is temporarily held up when a lone protestor rushes in front of the moving vehicle and sits down.
- **June 12, Newark:** Detainees revolt over conditions inside a private concentration camp run by ICE contractor GEO Group. Four individuals escape -two caught quickly, while one of them makes it to the west coast and remains at large for a month.
- **June 16-17, Chicago:** Protestors barricade the parking garage used by ICE at 55 E Monroe, first with their own bodies, later with Divvy bikes and junk. With the help of a phone zap, they force ICE to pause its tactic of ambushing people at Monroe. Since this time - two months and counting - ICE has not been seen at Monroe, and people have been able to attend their asylum hearings here.
- **June 18, Portland:** A weeklong encampment outside the ICE field office swells to a mass demonstration. Some protestors manage to force their way in and briefly occupy the facility.
- **July 8, San Francisco:** Protestors climb onto ICE vans leaving immigration court with abductees. Several protestors are injured after ICE agents choose to run over.
- **August 7, Chicago:** Protestors disrupt career fair in the Congress Plaza Hotel where Customs and Border Protection & CPD are hiring.

WAYS TO TAKE ACTION

- Get to know people in your neighborhood's **rapid response network**. These autonomous, community-based initiatives mobilize to protect people from ICE by verifying reported sightings, documenting potential violations of rights, and holding Know Your Rights and Migra Watch trainings.
- Call hotels to try and figure out where ICE agents are staying. Ask if there is a discount for federal agents. If yes, consider going with a buddy to look for masked agents or known ICE plates:



- Join fellow Chicagoans at the parking lot of the ICE field office (101 W Ida B Wells Dr) weekdays between 8am and 4pm. Typical actions there include handing out leaflets, holding signs, chalking the sidewalk, and documenting license plates, especially of unmarked vehicles driven by men in gaiter masks. Such actions are legal provided you stay on the public sidewalk.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: The card below can be cut out for use by you or someone you know if ICE agents knock at the door. Slip it under the door or display it at the window to assert your constitutional rights.

I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name on it that you slide under the door. I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights. I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.

RESIST ICE FASCISTS IN



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THEY BLAME IMMIGRANTS



SO YOU DON'T BLAME BILLIONAIRES

BACKGROUND

As far-right politicians slash basic social services, give tax breaks to the 1%, and cover up their ties to pedophile Jeffrey Epstein, they need to convince working class people that the true threat is the undocumented family next door. The same individual who praised Epstein as “a terrific guy, lot of fun to be with” calls undocumented immigrants an “infestation” and says they are **“poisoning the blood of our country”**.

Making good on this white nationalist rhetoric, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has escalated its campaign of terror against laborers of color and student activists, striving after its quota of 3,000 detentions per day.

Meanwhile, private firms contracted by ICE, including ones in which Trump officials own hundreds of thousands of dollars in shares, are boasting to shareholders of **“unprecedented opportunities”**. It is profit that drives their rush to fill private jails with Black and Brown bodies, including many people with no criminal record or only minor offenses. Small wonder, then, that this fiscal year, **13 people have died in ICE custody**.

In response, cities across the US have not stood idly by. From LA to New York, from Houston to Minneapolis, mass mobilizations against ICE reflect that working people are refusing to be pitted against their undocumented neighbors. Direct action tactics have included exposing unmarked ICE vehicles, holding noise demos outside the hotels where agents are staying, physically blocking the kidnapping vans, and drawing upon mutual aid networks to support families that ICE has torn apart.

STORIES OF CHICAGOANS KIDNAPPED BY ICE



ABDUCTED GRANDMOTHER HAD WORK PERMIT, STAY OF REMOVAL, NO CRIMINAL RECORD

GLADIS YOLANDA CHAVEZ PINEDA, 48, was a longtime resident of Chicago after she fled persecution in her native Honduras ten years ago. For years, she had been following the convoluted asylum process. An immigration judge had determined that she posed no public safety threat and that she had no criminal record.

On June 4, 2025, Pineda was lured to 2245 S. Michigan Ave for what ICE suggested to be a routine check-in. Instead, she was ambushed and separated from her lawyers. Agents ignored her explanation that the 7th US Circuit Court of Appeals had issued a stay of removal while her case was under review.

As ICE agents shoved aside people and concerned community members who had gathered outside, Pineda was rushed to an unmarked van and driven to the ICE facility in Broadview. There she was held for four days with no bed, blanket, shower or hygiene products and minimal food. **“Mothers were crying because we were leaving our kids,”** she recalls. **“We didn’t know what was next. We didn’t know where they would be taking us.”**

Next, Pineda was transported to a county jail in Kentucky, where she remained for more than a month, crowded into a single cell with twenty other women and only ten beds. Bright lights 24/7 made it difficult to sleep, and there was little to no access to medical care. On July 13, Pineda was put in handcuffs and shackles that cut into her ankles and was flown back to Honduras, the very country she had left in fear for her life. **“I had my work permit, a state ID, I paid my taxes, I had a social security number,”** she says. **“So why was I being deported?”**



MOTHER AND BABY TRAPPED IN O'HARE HOTEL BY PRIVATE CONTRACTORS

VALENTINA GALVIS and her husband fled to the US in 2022 after she was brutally assaulted by a far-right paramilitary group in their native Colombia.

When she and her infant son Naythan showed up for their appointment at Chicago’s immigration court on June 5, 2025, she had reason to believe that things would turn out ok, since her husband had been granted asylum at the same location two weeks prior.

Instead, plainclothes ICE agents detained her outside the courtroom and took her to the third floor of the Sonesta Chicago O’Hare Airport Rosemont hotel. There, **private guards from ICE contractor MVM held Galvis and her child captive in a hotel room from which they had pulled out the land line.**

Her husband and her attorney tried to discern her whereabouts, but the ICE field officer they contacted refused to help. Meanwhile, the online ICE locator listed her as being in a detention center in Washington DC, even though no such facility exists there.

After five days of this nightmare, Galvis and her child were loaded into a vehicle and driven away from O’Hare toward an unknown destination. It turned out she was brought to 2245 S Michigan, given a bracelet monitor and inexplicably released. She now has a new asylum court date in January 2026.

Looking back, Galvis recalls how “sad, confused, and often terrified” she felt while captive in the hotel: **“I wanted to call my husband, my attorney, or anyone at all to let them know where I was. I was obviously very scared of being deported, but my principal fear was being deported without my baby. I don’t think I could have survived that.”**