

JUSTICE FOR IMMIGRANT YOUTH!

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“I JUST FELT VERY BAD ... I FELT THERE WAS NO JUSTICE”

~ Mother of youth facing deportation

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROBLEM:

In July 2008, Mayor Newsom implemented a policy that is ripping families apart. The policy requires that all suspected undocumented youth be reported to ICE for deportation right after they are arrested for an alleged felony, before they even receive a hearing in juvenile court. **This means that youth can be reported even if they are completely innocent.** This policy encourages racial profiling.

Real Life Stories of Youth Reported to ICE Under Mayor Newsom's Policy:

- **Jesus, age 17:** Swept up in a case of mistaken identify, **declared innocent** by District Attorney, still deported
- **Maria, age 15:** Facing deportation for a fight with her sister after school - no weapons or injuries.
- **Roberto, age 14:** Sent to ICE for bringing a b.b. gun to school (a gift for good grades). He hurt no one.

TAKE ACTION: DUE PROCESS FOR ALL YOUTH!

In November 2009, hundreds of community members successfully passed a new policy in San Francisco to restore due process to immigrant youth. Under the new policy, city officials would only report youth to ICE if a judge finds they actually committed a felony. This new policy would boost **public safety for all of us** because when immigrant youth are reported to ICE without a hearing, they will be afraid to seek help if they see a crime. **BUT Mayor Newsom is refusing to follow this new policy, and City Attorney Herrera has not taken a stand for the democratic process.** **Call Mayor Newsom (415) 554-6141 and City Attorney Herrera (415) 554-4700 today and demand that they restore due process to youth!**

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Remember that you and your children still have rights!

- All youth and parents have an absolute right to **remain silent**. You **do not** have to answer any questions from a police officer, probation officer, or an ICE agent about your immigration status, country of origin, etc.
- You have a right to a **free attorney** to defend you against any allegations that you broke the law. If you are detained by the police, you should ask to speak to an attorney and remain silent until you receive an attorney.



To learn more about this important issue or to get involved, please e-mail sfirdc@gmail.com.

The San Francisco Immigrant Rights Defense Committee is growing alliance of immigrant rights and youth advocates, labor groups, faith leaders, and LGBT activists