HOW CAN I SUPPORT MY REFUGEE & IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS?

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TAKE ACTION: LEARN - EDUCATE - ADVOCATE - REPORT

No matter where we come from, what languages we speak, or what we look like, Coloradans all want the same things—to provide for our families in peace and safety and build the brightest possible futures for our children. In pursuit of those goals, dreams, and livelihoods, immigrants of all backgrounds boost Colorado's communities.

We do not stand for any plan that dehumanizes or vilifies our immigrant neighbors, deprives them of constitutional rights, or targets their families with mass, indiscriminate raids, detentions, and deportations.



LEARN about legal rights and how to advocate for them

- Read about the basic constitutional rights guaranteed to EVERYONE living in the U.S.
- Watch a Know Your Rights recording; share Know Your Rights cards and other resources
- Share Family Preparedness Packets to help families defend against detention and deportation



EDUCATE others to combat misinformation

- Join CO-TRUTH and uplift positive facts and authentic stories about immigrants' lives
- Remind people that immigrant Coloradans are valued community members
 - Colorado immigrants paid a total of \$6.6 billion in taxes in 2022, including \$436.5 million in state and local taxes paid by undocumented immigrants
 - Colorado's 42,000 immigrant entrepreneurs bring in \$1.8 billion in annual business income
 - Immigrants commit crimes at <u>lower rates</u> than US-born individuals

ADVOCATE for humane policies

- Follow updates and take actions shared by <u>local</u> and <u>national</u> immigrant advocacy organizations
- Donate to organizations that serve and advocate for immigrants and refugees
- Express concerns and priorities to our federal legislators:

 <u>Contact Senator Hickenlooper</u> | <u>Contact Senator Bennet</u> | <u>Contact your U.S. Representative</u>



REPORT Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activity

- Save the <u>Colorado Rapid Response Network (CORRN)</u> number in your phone and call it if you witness action by ICE or another immigration authority (1-844-864-8341)
- Follow the CORRN Facebook page so you know when and where ICE actions really happen
- Volunteer in CORRN
- Be the voice of the unheard—speak up, speak out, and record videos if you see rights being violated!

Immigrants are valued Coloradans who make indispensable contributions every day.

Let's stand up and speak out for the cherished family members, peaceful neighbors, hardworking taxpayers, business and faith leaders, and care and service providers who are are essential to our state's economic prosperity, rich cultural fabric, and thriving communities.

