



This information is not formal legal advice. If you need specific and immediate legal aid, contact the Sikh Coalition.

Scan the QR Code for all of Sikh Coalition's Know Your Rights Resources.



When arrested by ICE:

- People arrested by ICE are processed at the local ICE Field Office before being transferred to a detention facility.
- You can locate people who have been arrested through this website: locator.ice.gov

If you have legal status:

- If you are a U.S. Citizen, tell the ICE officer you are a citizen. If you are over the age of 18, ICE may ask for your I.D. (identification card); you can show your driver's license, state identification card, or copy of your passport page.
- If you are a Green Card Holder, you should always carry a copy of your green card on you.
 - Tell ICE you have your green card; if ICE asks for proof of your status, you must show ICE your green card.
 - If your green card is expired, you should get it renewed—but you still have legal status as a green card holder in the meantime.
- If you have a current and valid visa to be in the United States, you should tell ICE that you have immigration status. If ICE asks, show them a photo of your visa on your phone or a copy of your visa that you keep in your wallet
 - If you have been granted asylum, you must carry a copy of the I-589 Approval Notice or the Immigration Judge's Order granting you asylum. If an ICE officer asks for proof of your status, you must show the ICE Officer a copy of the Asylum approval.
- If you do not have any of those documents on you, you may be fingerprinted.
- Once you are identified as having legal status, you should be released.
- Even if you have legal status, you still have the right to an attorney—but the government will not provide one for you.



If you do not have legal status:

- Remember your rights: You have the right to remain silent, the right to have an attorney, and the right to make a phone call.
- Do not answer any questions ICE asks about your identity, birthdate, or place of birth.
- Do not speak about your immigration status or sign anything without your attorney present.
- Make sure you verbally inform ICE if you have fear of returning to your home country.

If you need help:

- The Sikh Coalition is working to create a list of Punjabi-speaking immigration attorneys. Email immigration@sikhcoalition.org if you need an attorney.
- Other organizations and resources that can help you find an immigration attorney include but are not limited to:
 - Department of Justice, Executive Office for Immigration Review: <https://www.justice.gov/eoir/list-pro-bono-legal-service-providers>
 - The Immigration Defense Project: <https://www.immigrantdefenseproject.org/>
 - ImmigrationLawHelp.org: <https://www.immigrationlawhelp.org/>
 - National Immigrant Justice Center: <http://www.immigrantjustice.org/>
 - American Immigration Lawyers Association: <https://www.aila.org/>
 - National Lawyers Guild: <https://www.nlg.org/>
 - National Immigration Project: <https://nipnlg.org/>
 - National Immigration Advocates Directory: <https://www.immigrationadvocates.org/legaldirectory/>