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Trump Policy Brief: “Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States”

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EXECUTIVE ORDER: “ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE INTERIOR OF THE UNITED STATES”

The Trump administration announced plans to strip funding from “sanctuary jurisdictions” and change the way the U.S. handles immigrants living in the U.S. The executive order called for the reinstatement of the Secure Communities program, the hiring of 10,000 new border agents, and the publication of lists of alleged crimes committed by undocumented immigrants. The Department of Homeland Security later published a memo detailing how it would put Trump’s order into action.

- ✓ The DHS memo propagated the falsehood that undocumented immigrants commit more crimes than American-born citizens. Numerous studies have proven this a myth.
- ✓ The order created a new office known as VOICE (“Victims Of Immigration Crime Engagement”) to provide information to victims of crimes committed by undocumented immigrants about their perpetrators. Critics pointed out the danger of singling out undocumented immigrants who commit crimes, with one writer for The Atlantic noting the parallel to Nazi Germany singling out Jews who committed crimes.
- ✓ Cutting off federal funds to sanctuary cities would mean cuts to programs, infrastructure improvements, and services that all residents rely on. Last fiscal year, sanctuary cities received \$460 million for Head Start, \$238 million for airport improvements, and \$153 million for HIV prevention efforts. Many of the neediest members of the community benefit from programs made possible by federal funding.
- ✓ Police departments advocate for and rely on sanctuary laws for public safety. Sanctuary laws improve relations between immigrants and law enforcement, improving safety for all, and crime rates are lower in sanctuary cities than non-sanctuary cities.
- ✓ Critics worry that Trump’s order will lead to racial profiling and that minor crimes, such as traffic violations, will end in deportation. Such fear of law enforcement could foster division within communities.
- ✓ In the weeks since Trump signed the order, immigration officers have stepped up their enforcement efforts, splitting apart families and removing beloved members of their communities. Research shows that the children of deported immigrants are left with lasting emotional and financial hardship.
- ✓ Deportation on a massive scale could have major macroeconomic consequences. Trump’s policies could cost billions to implement and cost trillions in lost economic output.
- ✓ Editorial boards quickly slammed the new policies, with more than one using the word “cruel” to describe them.

Donald Trump Signed An Executive Order Calling For Stricter, Wider Enforcement Of U.S. Immigration Policy

TRUMP CALLED FOR SWEEPING AND DIVISIVE CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION POLICY

Donald Trump Signed An Executive Order Stripping Funding From Sanctuary Cities And Transforming How The U.S. Deals With Immigration. According to Reuters, “President Donald Trump signed directives on Wednesday to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexican border and strip funding from cities that shield illegal immigrants as he charged ahead with sweeping and divisive plans to transform how the United States deals with immigration and national security.” [Reuters, [1/25/17](#)]

TRUMP’S ORDER CALLED FOR CUTTING FEDERAL FUNDS TO SANCTUARY CITIES, BROAD DEPORTATION DIRECTIVES, TRIPLING ICE ENFOCEMENT, AND CALLING ATTENTION TO “CRIMINAL ACTIONS COMMITTED BY ALIENS”

The Executive Order Eliminated Funding For “Sanctuary Jurisdictions”

The Executive Order Stated That “Jurisdictions That Willfully Refuse To Comply With 8 U.S.C. 1373 (Sanctuary Jurisdictions) Are Not Eligible To Receive Federal Grants.” According to the Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, “It is the policy of the executive branch to ensure, to the fullest extent of the law, that a State, or a political subdivision of a State, shall comply with 8 U.S.C. 1373. (a) In furtherance of this policy, the Attorney General and the Secretary, in their discretion and to the extent consistent with law, shall ensure that jurisdictions that willfully refuse to comply with 8 U.S.C. 1373 (sanctuary jurisdictions) are not eligible to receive Federal grants, except as deemed necessary for law enforcement purposes by the Attorney General or the Secretary. The Secretary has the authority to designate, in his discretion and to the extent consistent with law, a jurisdiction as a sanctuary jurisdiction. The Attorney General shall take appropriate enforcement action against any entity that violates 8 U.S.C. 1373, or which has in effect a statute, policy, or practice that prevents or hinders the enforcement of Federal law.” [Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, [1/25/17](#)]

The Executive Order Ended Prioritization For Criminal Deportations And Brought Back The Secure Communities Program Enforcing More Indiscriminant Deportations

The Executive Order Called For The Termination Of The Priority Enforcement Program And The Reinstatement Of The Secure Communities Program. According to the Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, “Review of Previous Immigration Actions and Policies. (a) The Secretary shall immediately take all appropriate action to terminate the Priority Enforcement Program (PEP) described in the memorandum issued by the Secretary on November 20, 2014, and to reinstitute the immigration program known as ‘Secure Communities’ referenced in that memorandum.” [Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, [1/25/17](#)]

- **Vox: The Priority Enforcement Program Had Been Established To Replace The Secure Communities Program By Limiting “When ICE Agents Got Notified About An Immigrant In Jail.”** According to Vox, “Trump is resurrecting the Obama-era Secure Communities program, which automatically checked immigration databases to identify people checked into local jails, then allowed ICE agents to ask local officials to hand over any immigrant they wanted to deport. Secure Communities was initially touted by the Obama administration as a way to identify and deport ‘criminal aliens,’ but as it expanded it became clear that it was also being used to deport immigrants who hadn’t done anything more serious than commit a traffic offense (or hadn’t done anything at all). So the Obama administration replaced Secure Communities with the Priority Enforcement Program in 2014, which limited when ICE agents got notified about an immigrant in a jail and when they could request to take him into custody.” [Vox, [1/25/17](#)]

The Executive Order Called For The Hiring Of 10,000 New Immigration Officers

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- **Vox: The Executive Order “Triples The Number Of Agents In ICE’s Enforcement And Removal Operations Office.”** According to Vox, “And ICE will have more resources to carry this out. The executive order triples the number of agents in ICE’s Enforcement and Removal Operations office. Those agents will be able to resume use of the tool that made it easiest for them to pick up immigrants involved in the criminal justice system.” [Vox, [1/25/17](#)]

The Executive Order Called For The Publication Of A “List Of Criminal Actions Committed By Aliens” And Ordered Agencies To “Exclude Persons Who Are Not United States Citizens Or Lawful Permanent Residents” From The Privacy Act

The Executive Order Announced The Publication Of A “Comprehensive List Of Criminal Actions Committed By Aliens.” According to the Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, “To better inform the public regarding the public safety threats associated with sanctuary jurisdictions, the Secretary shall utilize the Declined Detainer Outcome Report or its equivalent and, on a weekly basis, make public a comprehensive list of criminal actions committed by aliens and any jurisdiction that ignored or otherwise failed to honor any detainers with respect to such aliens.” [Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, [1/25/17](#)]

The Executive Order Ordered Agencies To “Ensure That Their Privacy Policies Exclude Persons Who Are Not United States Citizens Or Lawful Permanent Residents From The Protections Of The Privacy Act.” According to the Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, “Privacy Act. Agencies shall, to the extent consistent with applicable law, ensure that their privacy policies exclude persons who are not United States citizens or lawful permanent residents from the protections of the Privacy Act regarding personally identifiable information.” [Executive Order: Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States, [1/25/17](#)]

The Department Of Homeland Security Subsequently Published A Memo Detailing How It Would Put’s Trump’s Order Into Action

THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY PUBLISHED A MEMO IMPLEMENTING TRUMP’S EXECUTIVE ORDER

The Department Of Homeland Security Published A Memo Implementing “Enhancing Public Safety In The Interior Of The United States.” According to a memo published by the Department of Homeland Security, “This memorandum implements the Executive Order entitled ‘Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States,’ issued by the President on January 25, 2017. It constitutes guidance for all Department personnel regarding the enforcement of the immigration laws of the United States, and is applicable to the activities of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). As such, it should inform

enforcement and removal activities, detention decisions, administrative litigation, budget requests and execution, and strategic planning.” [Department of Homeland Security Memo, [2/20/17](#)]

The Memo Confirmed Trump’s Call For 10,000 Additional Immigration Officers

The Memo Called For The Hiring Of 10,000 New ICE Agents And Officers. According to a memo published by the Department of Homeland Security, “To enforce the immigration laws effectively in the interior of the United States in accordance with the President's directives, additional ICE agents and officers are necessary. The Director of ICE shall-while ensuring consistency in training and standards- take all appropriate action to expeditiously hire 10,000 agents and officers, as well as additional operational and mission support and legal staff necessary to hire and support their activities.” [Department of Homeland Security Memo, [2/20/17](#)]

The Memo Confirmed Undocumented Immigrants Would Be Denied Protections Afforded By The Privacy Act

DHS Memo: “The Department Will No Longer Afford Privacy Act Rights And Protections To Persons Who Are Neither U.S. Citizens Nor Lawful Permanent Residents.” According to a memo published by the Department of Homeland Security, “The Department will no longer afford Privacy Act rights and protections to persons who are neither U.S. citizens nor lawful permanent residents. The DHS Privacy Office will rescind the DHS Privacy Policy Guidance memorandum, dated January 7, 2009, which implemented the OHS ‘mixed systems’ policy of administratively treating all personal information contained in DHS record systems as being subject to the Privacy Act regardless of the subject's immigration status. The DHS Privacy Office, with the assistance of the Office of the General Counsel, will develop new guidance specifying the appropriate treatment of personal information DHS maintains in its record systems.” [Department of Homeland Security Memo, [2/20/17](#)]

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The Memo Called For The Publishing Of A “Weekly Report To The Public [...] Of Non-Federal Jurisdictions That Release Aliens From their Custody.” According to a memo published by the Department of Homeland Security, “The ICE Director shall also develop and provide a weekly report to the public, utilizing a medium that can be readily accessed without charge, of non-Federal jurisdictions that release aliens from their custody, notwithstanding that such aliens are subject to a detainer or similar request for custody issued by ICE to that jurisdiction. In addition to other relevant information, to the extent that such information is readily available, the report shall reflect the name of the jurisdiction, the citizenship and immigration status of the alien, the arrest, charge, or conviction for which each alien was in the custody of that jurisdiction, the date on which the ICE detainer or similar request for custody was served on the jurisdiction by ICE, the date of the alien's release from the custody of that jurisdiction and the reason for the release, an explanation concerning why the detainer or similar request for custody was not honored, and all arrests, charges, or convictions occurring after the alien's release from the custody of that jurisdiction.” [Department of Homeland Security Memo, [2/20/17](#)]

The Memo Called For Deportation Of Undocumented Immigrants Who Commit “Acts Which Constitute A Chargeable Offense”

The Memo Instructed DHS To Remove Immigrants Who “Have Been Charged With Any Criminal Offense That Has Not Been Resolved” Or Who Have “Committed Acts Which Constitute A Chargeable Offense” But Who Have Not Been Convicted Of A Crime. According to a memo published by the Department of Homeland Security, “Additionally, regardless of the basis of removability, Department

personnel should prioritize removable aliens who: (1) have been convicted of any criminal offense; (2) have been charged with any criminal offense that has not been resolved; (3) have committed acts which constitute a chargeable criminal offense; (4) have engaged in fraud or willful misrepresentation in connection with any official matter before a governmental agency; (5) have abused any program related to receipt of public benefits; (6) are subject to a final order of removal but have not complied with their legal obligation to depart the United States; or (7) in the judgment of an immigration officer, otherwise pose a risk to public safety or national security. The Director of ICE, the Commissioner of CBP, and the Director of USCIS may, as they determine is appropriate, issue further guidance to allocate appropriate resources to prioritize enforcement activities within these categories—for example, by prioritizing enforcement activities against removable aliens who are convicted felons or who are involved in gang activity or drug trafficking.” [Department of Homeland Security Memo, [2/20/17](#)]

The DHS Memo Propagated The Falsehood That Undocumented Immigrants Commit More Crimes Than American-Born Citizens

The DHS Memo Established A New Office For “Victims” Of “Criminal Aliens” Who Feel “Marginalized”

The Memo Established The “Victims Of Immigration Crime Engagement (VOICE) Office” For “Victims” Of “Criminal Aliens” Who Feel “Marginalized.” According to a memo published by the Department of Homeland Security, “Criminal aliens routinely victimize Americans and other legal residents. Often, these victims are not provided adequate information about the offender, the offender's immigration status, or any enforcement action taken by ICE against the offender. Efforts by ICE to engage these victims have been hampered by prior Department of Homeland Security (DHS) policy extending certain Privacy Act protections to persons other than U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents, leaving victims feeling marginalized and without a voice. Accordingly, I am establishing the Victims of Immigration Crime Engagement (VOICE) Office within the Office of the Director of ICE, which will create a programmatic liaison between ICE and the known victims of crimes committed by removable aliens. The liaison will facilitate engagement with the victims and their families to ensure, to the extent permitted by law, that they are provided information about the offender, including the offender's immigration status and custody status, and that their questions and concerns regarding immigration enforcement efforts are addressed.” [Department of Homeland Security Memo, [2/20/17](#)]

- **The VOICE Office Would Be Funded By The Reallocation Of “Any And All Resources That Are Currently Used To Advocate On Behalf Of Illegal Aliens.”** According to a memo published by the Department of Homeland Security, “To that end, I direct the Director of ICE to immediately reallocate any and all resources that are currently used to advocate on behalf of illegal aliens (except as necessary to comply with a judicial order) to the new VOICE Office, and to immediately terminate the provision of such outreach or advocacy services to illegal aliens.” [Department of Homeland Security Memo, [2/20/17](#)]

Numerous Studies Have Shown That The Crime Rate Is Lower Among Immigrants Than American-Born Citizens

University Of California-Irvine Professor Rubén Rumbaut Found That “Without Exception,” Incarceration Rates Among Young Men Were The Lowest For Immigrants For Every Ethnic Group, Especially Among Mexicans, Salvadorans, And Guatemalans. According to an appendix written by University of California-Irvine professor Rubén Rumbaut for the Police Foundation, “Moreover, data from the census and a wide range of other empirical studies show that for every ethnic group without exception, incarceration rates among young men are lowest for immigrants, even those who are the least educated. This

holds true especially for the Mexicans, Salvadorans, and Guatemalans, who make up the bulk of the undocumented population.” [Rubén Rumbaut – Police Foundation, archived [7/24/15](#)]

Northwestern University Managerial Economics And Decision Sciences Assistant Professor Jörg Spenkuch Found That There Was “Essentially No Correlation Between Immigrants And Violent Crime.” According to The Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, “‘When you look at opinion surveys, three-quarters of Americans believe that immigration increases crime,’ says Jörg Spenkuch, an assistant professor of managerial economics and decision sciences at Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management. In a recent paper, Spenkuch investigated the validity of this assumption. [...] The results of his analysis are clear: ‘There’s essentially no correlation between immigrants and violent crime,’ he asserts.” [Kellogg School of Management, [6/2/14](#)]

Cato Institute Immigration Policy Analyst Alex Nowrasteh Said There Was “No Way” To “Mess With The Numbers” To Disprove That Undocumented Immigrants Commit Less Crime Than Native-Born Americans. According to The New York Times, “A central point of an executive order President Trump signed on Wednesday — and a mainstay of his campaign speeches — is the view that undocumented immigrants pose a threat to public safety. But several studies, over many years, have concluded that immigrants are less likely to commit crimes than people born in the United States. And experts say the available evidence does not support the idea that undocumented immigrants commit a disproportionate share of crime. ‘There’s no way I can mess with the numbers to get a different conclusion,’ said Alex Nowrasteh, immigration policy analyst at the libertarian Cato Institute, which advocates more liberal immigration laws.” [New York Times, [1/26/17](#)]

According To A 2007 National Bureau Of Economic Research Paper, Immigrants Had “Much Lower” Incarceration Rates Than The Native Born Population. According to a National Bureau of Economic Research working paper by Wellesley College economist Kristin F. Butcher and Rutgers University economist Anne Morrison Piehl, “The perception that immigration adversely affects crime rates led to legislation in the 1990s that particularly increased punishment of criminal aliens. In fact, immigrants have much lower institutionalization (incarceration) rates than the native born - on the order of one-fifth the rate of natives.” [National Bureau of Economic Research, [July 2007](#)]

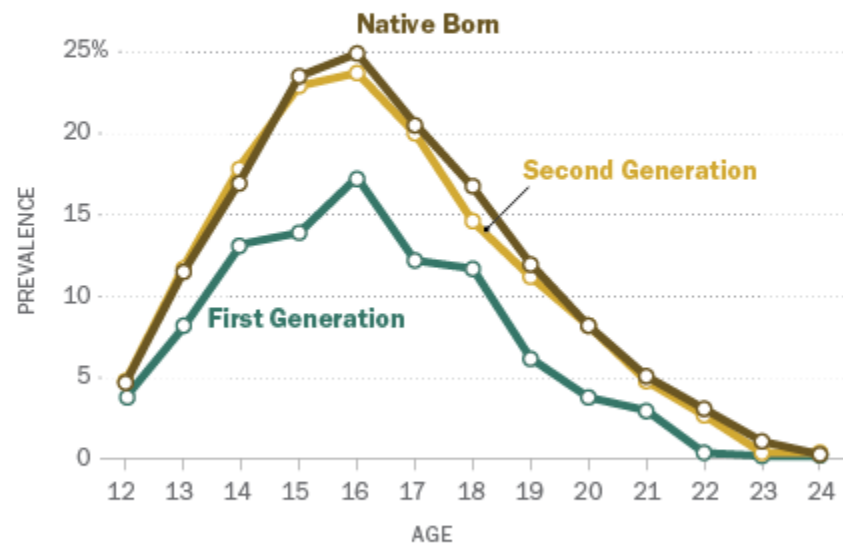
FiveThirtyEight: That Immigrants Commit Crimes At Lower Rates “Isn’t Surprising” Because Non-Citizens “Face Possible Deportation If They Are Convicted Of A Violent Crime, Meaning Such Crimes Carry A Higher Risk.” According to FiveThirtyEight, “Most research, however, has found that immigrants, including undocumented immigrants, commit violent crimes at lower rates than native-born Americans. That isn’t surprising — non-citizens, even those here legally, face possible deportation if they are convicted of a violent crime, meaning such crimes carry a higher risk than they do for the U.S. born.” [FiveThirtyEight, [2/22/17](#)]

Conservative Immigration Activist Alfonso Aguilar Criticized The Trump Administration’s VOICE Office, Noting That A Smaller Portion Of Undocumented Immigrants Engage In Criminal Activity Than The General Population. According to CNN, “Latino Partnership for Conservative Principles President Alfonso Aguilar, a one-time Trump supporter and conservative immigration activist who has been back and forth on his feelings on Trump’s agenda, said he liked the rest of the President’s statements in the speech on immigration but not VOICE. ‘The majority of undocumented immigrants are good hard working people,’ Aguilar told CNN’s John Berman on ‘Newsroom’ Wednesday. ‘A small minority, and you’re absolutely right, smaller than those in the general population, engage in criminal activity. So it is blown out of proportion. I don’t know -- I think the office is just going to keep statistics and things like that, but I think if they do the research (they’d) realize that the majority of undocumented immigrants are really not involved in criminal activity.’” [CNN, [3/1/17](#)]

- **Aguilar Said That If VOICE Did Research On The Issue, They'd Find That A Majority Of Undocumented Immigrants Weren't Involved In Criminal Activity.** According to CNN, “‘The majority of undocumented immigrants are good hard working people,’ Aguilar told CNN's John Berman on ‘Newsroom’ Wednesday. [...] [‘]I don't know -- I think the office is just going to keep statistics and things like that, but I think if they do the research (they'd) realize that the majority of undocumented immigrants are really not involved in criminal activity.’” [CNN, [3/1/17](#)]

First and Second Generation Immigrant Offending Trajectories

Prevalence of each group involved in at least 1 crime in the previous 12 months



Source: *Justice Quarterly*
PEW RESEARCH CENTER

[Pew Research Center, [10/13/15](#)]

Critics Pointed To The Social And Ethical Dangers Of Singling Out Undocumented Immigrants Who Commit Crimes – And The Parallels To Nazi Germany Singling Out Jews

Washington Post Correspondent Philip Bump wrote that “Picking Out Isolated Incidents Of Violent Crime By One Group Can Make Members Of That Group Seem Particularly Dangerous, Even When The Data Don’t Support That Claim.” According to the Washington Post, “All of these deaths are tragic and were preventable. But this highlights the problem of the VOICE office: Picking out isolated incidents of violent crime by one group can make members of that group seem particularly dangerous, even when the data don’t support that claim.” [Washington Post, [3/1/17](#)]

Atlantic Contributing Editor Peter Beinart Opinion Headline: **Trump Scapegoats Unauthorized Immigrants For Crime.** [Peter Beinart – The Atlantic, [3/1/17](#)]

- **Beinart Wrote That Publishing A List Of Crimes Committed By Unauthorized Immigrants Was Like “Publishing A List Of Crimes Committed By People With Red-Hair.”** According to an opinion by Atlantic contributing editor Peter Beinart for The Atlantic, “Trump’s allies may believe

that sneaking into the United States, or using a fake social security number to get a job, predisposes people to rob, rape, or kill. But the evidence does not bear this out. So if Trump's goal is increasing public safety, publishing a list of crimes committed by unauthorized immigrants is irrational. It's like publishing a list of crimes committed by people with red-hair." [Peter Beinart – The Atlantic, [3/1/17](#)]

- **Beinart Compared The Trump Administration's Efforts To Publicize Crimes Committed By Undocumented Immigrants To Efforts By Nazi Germany To Distinguish Crimes Committed By Jewish People.** According to an opinion by Atlantic contributing editor Peter Beinart for The Atlantic, "If, however, Trump's goal is stigmatizing a vulnerable class of people, then publicizing their crimes—and their crimes alone—makes sense. It's been a tactic bigots have used more than a century. [...] In The Nazi Conscience, Duke historian Claudia Koonz notes that the Nazi newspaper Der Sturmer ran a feature called 'Letter Box,' which published readers' accounts of Jewish crimes. When the Nazis took power, the German state began doing something similar. Frustrated by the failure of most Germans to participate in a boycott of Jewish businesses in April 1933, Adolf Hitler's government began publicizing Jewish crime statistics as a way of stoking anti-Semitism." [Peter Beinart – The Atlantic, [3/1/17](#)]
- **Beinart Compared The Trump Administration's Efforts To Publicize Crimes Committed By Undocumented Immigrants To The "Black Crime" Section Of Breitbart's Website.** According to an opinion by Atlantic contributing editor Peter Beinart for The Atlantic, "If, however, Trump's goal is stigmatizing a vulnerable class of people, then publicizing their crimes—and their crimes alone—makes sense. It's been a tactic bigots have used more than a century. Using crime to incite hatred has a long history in the United States. Khalil Gibran Muhammad, a professor of history, race, and public policy at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government, notes that for at least a century after the end of slavery, northern newspapers generally identified African Americans accused of committing crimes as 'negro' or 'colored.' Southern newspapers generally referred to the offender as a 'negro criminal' in bold—using the individual's name and 'the negro' interchangeably in the story. White criminals, by contrast, were not identified by race. (This tradition continues at Breitbart, which has a special category for 'black crime.')" [Peter Beinart – The Atlantic, [3/1/17](#)]

American Immigration Lawyers Association President William Stock Said That Reallocating Immigrant Outreach Services To VOICE Could Lead To Unfair Deportation Proceedings. According to Yahoo Finance, "William A. Stock, the president of the American Immigration Lawyers Association said that the language might refer to the remnants of the Office of the Public Advocate, a short-lived unit in ICE created to 'serve as a point of contact for individuals, including those in immigration proceedings, NGOs, and other community and advocacy groups, who have concerns, questions, recommendations or important issues they would like to raise.' [...] He added, 'In my experience, what OCE actually does is try to facilitate communication between ICE and communities of US citizens who may be affected by enforcement and removal actions, such as local law enforcement, local and state officials, and the broader community.' Undermining OCE, he said, in combination with an administration bent on visibly accelerating the rate of deportation, could lead to unfair proceedings." [Yahoo Finance, [2/21/17](#)]

Stock Said That Language In A Memo Released By DHS Secretary John Kelly About The VOICE Office May Curtail Efforts To Make Victims Of Human Trafficking And Domestic Abuse Aware Of Immigration Relief Through Special Visas. According to Yahoo Finance, "'Criminal aliens routinely victimize Americans and other legal residents,' the memo reads. 'Often, these victims are not provided adequate information about the offender, the offender's immigration status, or any enforcement action taken by ICE against the offender.' Therefore, Kelly instructs ICE to create the VOICE office and to 'reallocate any and all resources that are currently used to advocate on behalf of illegal aliens (except as necessary to comply with a judicial order) to the new VOICE office, and to immediately terminate the provision of such outreach or advocacy services to illegal aliens.' [...] One question troubling activists now is whether

'advocacy' and 'outreach' include making victims of human trafficking aware of their potential eligibility for a T visa and providing them guidance? Or providing similar help to domestic abuse victims regarding their eligibility for a U visa? [...] 'While I know of no specific effort to curtail programs that make victims aware of immigration relief such as T and U visas, it is also true that letting them know of such relief and having them apply for it could slow down removal operations in those cases, which would harm the administration's enforcement priority,' said Stock of AILA." [Yahoo Finance, [2/21/17](#)]

National Immigration Law Center Policy Attorney Avideh Moussavian Criticized The Trump Administration For Claiming That Undocumented Immigrants Puts Americans At A Greater Risk Of Crime, When Such Immigrants Were Actually More Likely To Be Victims Of Crime. According to Yahoo Finance, "Avideh Moussavian, a policy attorney with the National Immigration Law Center, pointed out that the language in the administration's policy pronouncements goes out of its way to describe a climate of criminality in the immigrant community. [...] 'So much of the emphasis of the executive order and these implementing memos really reflects a strongly held belief that Americans are somehow at greater security risk because of the presence of non-citizens immigrants.' In fact, Moussavian said, illegal immigrants are disproportionately victims of crime, because perpetrators assume they will be reluctant to go to the authorities." [Yahoo Finance, [2/21/17](#)]

Cutting Off Federal Funds To Sanctuary Cities Would Mean Cuts To Programs, Infrastructure, And Services That All Residents Rely On

SANCTUARY CITIES RECEIVED \$460 MILLION FOR HEAD-START PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS, \$238 MILLION FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS, AND \$153 MILLION FOR HIV PREVENTION IN THE LAST FISCAL YEAR

In His Efforts To Punish Sanctuary Cities, Donald Trump Could Withhold \$2.27 Billion In Federal Funding For America's 10 Largest Cities, Jeopardizing Education Programs Like Head Start, Infrastructure Improvements In Airports, And HIV Prevention And Relief Efforts. According to Reuters, "Reuters analyzed federal grant records to tally the estimated federal funding at risk among the 10 largest cities which totaled an estimated \$2.27 billion. The total amount remains unclear, as federal money can be filtered through state governments or granted directly to social-service organizations or other groups. The numbers do not include federal money for law enforcement, which was excluded in the executive order, and programs like Medicaid, which are administered by state governments. Though details remain vague, the order could jeopardize billions of dollars in housing, health, education and other types of federal aid. Among the funds at risk are \$460 million that the federal government gave out to fund Head Start pre-school programs in the 10 largest 'sanctuary cities' in the most recent fiscal year, the analysis found. Washington also sent \$238 million to municipalities to fund airport improvements and \$153 million for HIV prevention and relief." [Reuters, [1/26/17](#)]

Sanctuary Cities Received \$460 Million For Head-Start Pre-School Programs, \$238 Million For Airport Improvements, And \$153 Million For HIV Prevention In The Last Fiscal Year. According to Newsweek, "Among the funds at risk are \$460 million that the federal government gave out to fund Head Start pre-school programs in the 10 largest 'sanctuary cities' in the most recent fiscal year, the analysis found. Washington also sent \$238 million to municipalities to fund airport improvements and \$153 million for HIV prevention and relief." [Newsweek, [1/26/17](#)]

Santa Fe, New Mexico Used \$6.2 Million In Federal Funds For "Meals For Senior Centers And Housing Grants" And To "Keep The Regional Airport Running"

Santa Fe, New Mexico Used \$6.2 Million In Federal Funds For “Meals For Senior Centers And Housing Grants” And To “Keep The Regional Airport Running.” According to Rolling Stone, “Santa Fe Mayor Javier Gonzales tells Rolling Stone the city receives \$6.2 million in federal funding each year, which amounts to about two percent of the city's annual budget. The money helps provide meals for senior centers and housing grants and helps keep the regional airport running.” [Rolling Stone, [12/1/16](#)]

Seattle Relied On Federal Funding For Maintenance And Operation Of Its Port, As Well As To Deal With Homelessness

Seattle Relied On Federal Funding For Maintenance And Operation Of Their Port And A Loss Of Funding Could “Impact The Economy [...] In A Really Big Way.” According to Reuters, “Seattle received approximately \$72.7 million of federal dollars in fiscal year 2016. If the Port of Seattle were to shutter from a lack of federal funding, ‘that’s going to impact the economy and trade in a really big way,’ said Kevin Schofield of Seattle City Council Insight, an independent website focused on the city issues.” [Reuters, [1/26/17](#)]

King County, Washington Received \$28 Million In Federal Homeless Assistance Grants In January 2015. According to MyNorthwest.com, “How far Trump is willing to go with funding cuts likely won’t be seen until he takes the oath of office and officially becomes the 45th president. However, several aspects of Seattle government are potentially threatened, including funding to help the city deal with its homeless crisis. Back in January 2015, Seattle and King County received a record \$28 million in federal homeless assistance grants. That included \$3.6 million to create new housing opportunities.” [MyNorthwest.com, [11/10/16](#)]

Minneapolis “Has Used The Federal Grants And Allocations To Improve Public Safety, Increase Equity And Provide Resources For Needy Residents”

Minneapolis “Has Used The Federal Grants And Allocations To Improve Public Safety, Increase Equity And Provide Resources For Needy Residents.” According to the MinnPost, “The City of Minneapolis’ 2016 adopted budget identifies money from federal grants making up 2 percent of the city’s revenue, though that number might not take into account the entirety of the feds’ contribution. In some cities, federal grants makes up as much as 5 to 10 percent of the budget. In short, if Trump succeeds in getting a law through Congress, it would have real impact on Minneapolis residents, as the city has used the federal grants and allocations to improve public safety, increase equity and provide resources for needy residents.” [MinnPost, [11/23/16](#)]

- **Immigration Attorney Laura Tripiciano Said That Businesses In The Twin Cities Could Be Forced To Close Because Of A Loss Of The Workforce.** According to the MinnPost, “Tripiciano said that if police officers were forced to round up everyone who’s here without authorization, there will be numerous businesses that would have to close down. ‘You don’t want to put the companies that employ their community members at risk by taking away a large chunk of their workforce,’ she added. ‘That just doesn’t make any sense.’” [MinnPost, [11/23/16](#)]

Los Angeles County Received \$207 Million For The Head Start Preschool Program, \$70 Million For Airport Improvements, And \$114 For Community Development

Los Angeles County Received \$582 Million In Federal Aid, Including \$207 Million For The Head Start Preschool Program, \$70 Million For Airport Improvements, And \$114 For Community Development. According to Newsweek, “Local governments in Los Angeles County, for example, received \$582 million in federal aid in the most recent fiscal year. That aid included \$207 million for the Head Start

preschool program, \$70 million last year for airport improvements, and \$114 million for community development funds used for housing and other needs.” [Newsweek, [1/26/17](#)]

The Bay Area, Including San Francisco, Could Lose “A Combined \$1.2 Billion” For Programs Such As Head Start, HUD Grants, And Department Of Justice Grants

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The San Francisco Unified School District “Depends On At Least \$28 Million A Year From The Federal Government To Support Its Neediest Students.” According to the San Francisco Examiner, “While city officials are concerned that President-elect Donald Trump could cancel more than \$1 billion in federal funding for San Francisco if it remains a sanctuary city, school district leaders are worried about their own federal support. Trump has pledged to cut all federal funding for sanctuary cities on his first day in office, and the San Francisco Unified School District depends on at least \$28 million a year from the federal government to support its neediest students.” [San Francisco Examiner, [11/14/16](#)]

- **The Federal Funding Was Used For Programs Including “The Migrant Education Program For The Children Of Migrant Workers.”** According to the San Francisco Examiner, “If federal funding is pulled from the SFUSD, Board of Education President Matt Haney said ‘it would have a devastating effect on our students.’ ‘Our federal funding is mostly part of longstanding programs to support low-income and vulnerable students,’ Haney said. The SFUSD uses federal funding for a range of initiatives, including local iterations of the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps and the Migrant Education Program for the children of migrant workers, according to the district budget.” [San Francisco Examiner, [11/14/16](#)]

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FEDERAL FUNDING TO SANCTUARY CITIES IS USED FOR PROGRAMS THAT HELP THE NEEDIEST MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, SUCH AS FOOD PANTRIES AND HOME HEATING AID

Cutting Federal Funding For Sanctuary Cities Could Compromise Vital Assistance Including Wheelchair Ramps For The Elderly And Disabled, And Heating Fuel Aid For Those Struggling Financially. According to the Boston Globe, “Sidewalk ramps for wheelchair users in Northampton. Fuel aid for struggling Cambridge residents this winter. City officials across Massachusetts say these are the types of services that would be affected if President-elect Donald Trump carries out his threat to cut millions in

federal dollars from cities that limit their cooperation with US Immigration and Customs Enforcement.” [Boston Globe, [11/30/16](#)]

Cutting Federal Funding For Sanctuary Cities Will Hurt Programs Covering Special Education, Home Repairs For The Elderly, Drug Treatment, School Lunches, And Infrastructure For Food Pantries. According to the Boston Globe, “In Northampton, Mayor David Narkewicz said part of the city’s \$3.3 million a year in federal funding pays for vital home repairs for the elderly and others who cannot afford them. In Somerville, the \$6 million a year funds drug treatment programs, school lunches, and other services. In Holyoke, Mayor Alex Morse said his city’s \$1.5 million a year in federal aid helped pay for a commercial kitchen at a food pantry that trains unemployed people to work in the food industry. Morse said 85 percent of the enrollees, including homeless people and former inmates, have found jobs. He called Trump’s plan ‘counterproductive’ and said cities would fight it in court.” [Boston Globe, [11/30/16](#)]

Police Departments Advocate For And Rely On Sanctuary Laws For Public Safety

SANCTUARY LAWS IMPROVE RELATIONS BETWEEN IMMIGRANTS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT, CONTRIBUTING TO GREATER SAFETY FOR ALL

Many Police Departments Have Advocated For Sanctuary Laws. According to MSNBC, “What’s more, the nominee, who touts himself as the ‘law and order candidate,’ overlooks the fact that many police departments have advocated for sanctuary laws.” [MSNBC, [2016](#)]

- **Sanctuary City Policies Are Supported By Police Groups Such As The International Association Of Chiefs Of Police.** According to CNN, “Supporters say such policies are widely supported by police groups such as the International Association of Chiefs of Police and chiefs from the nation’s largest police departments because they help communities unite to fight crime.” [CNN, [7/8/15](#)]

Sheriffs And Police Chiefs Have Favored Sanctuary City Policies To Improve Public Safety Since They Couldn’t Do Their Jobs Effectively If Immigrant Communities Refused, Out Of Fear, To Talk To Them. According to MSNBC, “‘This is not a bunch of left-wing radicals. These are sheriffs and police chiefs,’ Fife said. The shift was seldom sold as offering immigrants ‘sanctuary,’ but rather, as a bid for improving public safety. Local cops couldn’t effectively do their jobs if immigrant communities refused, out of fear, to talk to them.” [MSNBC, [2016](#)]

- **L.A. Times: Many Police Chiefs Have Said “Working Closely With Federal Immigration Officials Undermines Trust With The Immigrant Community And Makes People Less Likely To Report Crimes Or Testify As Witnesses.”** According to the Los Angeles Times, “Police chiefs in many towns have said that working closely with federal immigration officials undermines trust with the immigrant community and makes people less likely to report crimes or testify as witnesses. In many sanctuary cities, police do work with immigration officials to hand over suspects with violent criminal records who are arrested.” [Los Angeles Times, [1/25/17](#)]

San Francisco Sheriff Ross Mirkarimi: “I Firmly Believe” That Being A Sanctuary City “Makes Us Safer.” According to CNN, “Proponents say that by encouraging members of immigrant communities to work with police without fear of deportation, such policies help authorities improve public safety by helping authorities identify and arrest dangerous criminals who might otherwise go undetected. ‘I firmly believe it makes us safer,’ San Francisco Sheriff Ross Mirkarimi told CNN’s ‘The Lead with Jake Tapper.’ ‘We’re a

world-renowned city with a large immigrant population. ... From a law enforcement perspective, we want to build trust with that population.” [CNN, [7/8/15](#)]

CRIME IS LOWER IN SANCTUARY CITIES THAN IN NON-SANCTUARY CITIES

Center For American Progress: Crime Is Statistically Significantly Lower In Sanctuary Counties Compared To Nonsanctuary Counties. According to the Center for American Progress, “Crime is statistically significantly lower in sanctuary counties compared to nonsanctuary counties. Crime is defined here as the total number of violent crimes—murders, rapes, robberies, and assaults—and property crimes—burglaries, larceny, motor vehicle thefts, and arsons—per 10,000 people. The data indicate that crime is statistically significantly lower in sanctuary counties in large central metro counties, small metro counties, micropolitan [*sic*] counties, and noncore, rural counties. Large central metro counties show the most pronounced difference. Large central metro sanctuary counties have 65.4 crimes fewer per 10,000 people than large central metro nonsanctuary counties.” [Center for American Progress, [1/26/17](#)]

Washington Post: FBI Crime Data Has Shown That Sanctuary Cities “Are Generally Safer Than Other Cities.” According to Washington Post, “The ‘sanctuary cities’ that President Trump has repeatedly characterized as incubators of crime are generally safer than other cities, according to a new analysis of FBI crime data.” [Washington Post, [1/27/17](#)]

ENFORCEMENT OF ICE REQUESTS TO JAIL WITHOUT WARRANTS HAS LEFT POLICE DEPARTMENTS OPEN TO LAWSUITS

364 Counties And 39 Cities Have Refused To Cooperate With ICE Because Sheriffs And Police Chiefs Decided That It Was No Longer Worth Opening Up Their Departments To Lawsuits To Do ICE A Favor. According to MSNBC, “Many small town departments were already uncomfortable with the prospect of jailing immigrants on minor traffic infractions. The issue became even more fraught when honoring an ‘ICE detainer’ request meant jailing a person without a warrant. The dominoes started to fall after a federal judge decided the practice was likely unconstitutional in 2014. The case originated in Portland, Oregon, and a federal magistrate judge ruled that an undocumented immigrant’s rights had been violated after she was held in county jail for 19 hours past her original release date. The ruling left Clackamas County liable for damages, putting small town departments on the hook for lawsuits if immigrants decided to take legal action for being unlawfully detained. The ruling had a large-scale ripple effect across the country. All told, there are now 364 counties and 39 cities that refuse to cooperate with ICE, according to data collected by the Immigrant Legal Resource Center. Police chiefs and sheriffs decided that it was no longer worth opening up their departments to lawsuits in order to simply do ICE a favor.” [MSNBC, [2016](#)]

Trump’s Order Would Foster Division And Allow Crimes As Minor As Traffic Violations To End In Deportation

CRITICS EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT TRUMP’S IMMIGRATION POLICIES WILL LEAD TO RACIAL PROFILING

City Officials Have Said Having Local Police Help Enforce Federal Laws On Immigration Could Lead To Racial Profiling. According to the Boston Globe, “City officials say having local police help enforce federal laws on immigration could frighten immigrants or lead to racial profiling. Policies vary by city and town, but several have passed ordinances or executive orders in recent years saying the police may only

turn over immigrants to ICE if they have serious criminal records or outstanding criminal warrants.” [Boston Globe, [11/30/16](#)]

A Similar Program By Sheriff Joe Arpaio In Arizona Led A Federal Judge To Conclude That Arpaio’s Officers Had Racially Profiled Latinos. According to the Associated Press, “To build his highly touted deportation force, President Donald Trump is reviving a long-standing program that deputizes local officers to enforce federal immigration law. [...] Sheriff Joe Arpaio used the program most aggressively in metro Phoenix, and he became arguably the nation’s best-known immigration enforcer at the local level in large part because of the special authority. In a strange twist, he was thrown out of office in the same election that vaulted Trump to the presidency, mostly because of mounting frustration over legal issues and costs stemming from the patrols. [...] The longtime sheriff used the authority to carry out traffic patrols that targeted immigrants. The patrols were later discredited in a lawsuit in which a federal judge concluded Arpaio’s officers had racially profiled Latinos. The lawsuit so far cost county taxpayers \$50 million.” [Associated Press, [1/29/17](#)]

- **Arpaio “Now Is Facing A Criminal Contempt Of Court Charge For Allegedly Defying Court Orders To Stop Detaining Suspected Undocumented Immigrants Without A Legal Basis.”** According to the Washington Post, “A Department of Homeland Security Inspector General investigation in 2010 found that ‘Claims of civil rights violations have surfaced in connection with several [law enforcement agencies] participating in the program,’ and advised Immigration and Customs Enforcement to consider civil rights factors when reaching agreements. Former Maricopa County, Ariz., sheriff Joe Arpaio, who now is facing a criminal contempt of court charge for allegedly defying court orders to stop detaining suspected undocumented immigrants without a legal basis, had used the program.” [Washington Post, [1/26/17](#)]

New York Times Editorial: The DHS Policies Are “A Recipe For Policing Abuses And Racial Profiling.” According to a New York Times editorial, “Mr. Kelly included a catchall provision allowing Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers or Border Patrol agents — or local police officers or sheriff’s deputies — to take in anyone they think could be ‘a risk to public safety or national security.’ That is a recipe for policing abuses and racial profiling, a possibility that Mr. Kelly will vastly expand if Congress gives him the huge sums required to hire 10,000 ICE officers and 5,000 Border Patrol agents.” [Editorial – New York Times, [2/21/17](#)]

UNDER THE SECURE COMMUNITIES ACT REINSTATED BY TRUMP’S ORDER, CRIMES AS MINOR AS TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS COULD BECOME GROUNDS FOR DEPORTATION

The Secure Communities Program Has Been Used To Deport Immigrants Who Had Violations As Small As A Traffic Offense Or Hadn’t Done Anything At All. According to Vox, “Secure Communities was initially touted by the Obama administration as a way to identify and deport ‘criminal aliens,’ but as it expanded it became clear that it was also being used to deport immigrants who hadn’t done anything more serious than commit a traffic offense (or hadn’t done anything at all). So the Obama administration replaced Secure Communities with the Priority Enforcement Program in 2014, which limited when ICE agents got notified about an immigrant in a jail and when they could request to take him into custody.” [Vox, [1/25/17](#)]

- **Instead Of Focusing On Deporting Convicted Criminals, The Executive Order Directs ICE To Target Practically All Undocumented Immigrants.** According to Vox, “Instead of focusing on deporting convicted criminals, the executive order tells ICE agents to focus on immigrants who’ve been convicted, charged, or ‘have committed acts that constitute a chargeable criminal offense.’ Those ‘offenses’ include immigration crimes (illegal entry and reentry are both criminal offenses) and things that are part and parcel of living in the US as an unauthorized immigrant, like

driving without a license. (Indeed, the order prioritizes people who have engaged in ‘fraud or willful misrepresentation in connection with any official matter,’ which could apply to anyone who applies for a job and pays taxes under a fake Social Security number.) Furthermore, the executive order tells immigration agents to prioritize anyone they feel is a ‘risk to public safety or national security’ even if they haven’t done any of those things — which is to say, anyone immigration agents want to deport.” [Vox, [1/25/17](#)]

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USA Today Editorial: The Policy Threatens Anyone “Whom Authorities Encounter And Consider A Threat, An Absurdly Broad Category.” According to a USA Today editorial, “But the policy announced Tuesday threatens people who've previously had little to fear: People who've committed misdemeanors, say shoplifting or traffic violations. People charged but not yet tried, who under our system are viewed as innocent until proven guilty. People whom authorities encounter and consider a threat, an absurdly broad category. [Editorial – USA Today, [2/21/17](#)]

Trump’s Order Has Expanded The Scope Of Enforcement Raids And Deportations, Splitting Up Families And Causing Children Emotional And Financial Hardship

IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS STEPPED UP THEIR ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS IN THE WEEKS FOLLOWING TRUMP’S ORDER

At Least Six States Saw Expanded Enforcement Of Trump’s Deportation Order In The Weeks After It Was Signed. According to the Chicago Tribune, “U.S. immigration authorities arrested hundreds of undocumented immigrants in at least a half-dozen states this week in a series of raids that marked the first large-scale enforcement of President Donald Trump's Jan. 26 order to crack down on the estimated 11 million immigrants living here illegally. [...] Immigration officials acknowledged that authorities had cast a wider net than they would have last year, as the result of Trump's executive order.” [Chicago Tribune, [2/10/17](#)]

Immigrations And Customs Enforcement Officers “Waited Outside A Church Shelter” And “Went Into Courthouses” Looking For Undocumented Immigrants. According to the New York Times, “In Virginia, Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents waited outside a church shelter where undocumented immigrants had gone to stay warm. In Texas and in Colorado, agents went into courthouses,

looking for foreigners who had arrived for hearings on other matters. [...] The Trump administration's far-reaching plan to arrest and deport vast numbers of undocumented immigrants has been introduced in dramatic fashion over the past month. And much of that task has fallen to thousands of ICE officers who are newly emboldened, newly empowered and already getting to work." [New York Times, [2/25/17](#)]

In West Frankfort, Illinois, A Long-Time Resident Known For Participating In "Just About Every Community Committee Or Charity Effort" Was Arrested "Near His Home" And Detained.

According to the New York Times, "Juan Carlos Hernandez Pacheco — just Carlos to the people of West Frankfort — has been the manager of La Fiesta, a Mexican restaurant in this city of 8,000, for a decade. Yes, he always greeted people warmly at the cheerfully decorated restaurant, known for its beef and chicken fajitas. And, yes, he knew their children by name. But people here tick off more things they know Carlos for. How one night last fall, when the Fire Department was battling a two-alarm blaze, Mr. Hernandez suddenly appeared with meals for the firefighters. How he hosted a Law Enforcement Appreciation Day at the restaurant last summer as police officers were facing criticism around the country. How he took part in just about every community committee or charity effort — the Rotary Club, cancer fund-raisers, cleanup days, even scholarships for the Redbirds, the high school sports teams, which are the pride of this city. [...] On Feb. 9, Mr. Hernandez, 38, was arrested by federal immigration agents near his home, not far from La Fiesta, and taken to a detention facility in Missouri." [New York Times, [2/27/17](#)]

Guadalupe Garcia De Rayos Was Deported After Eight Years Of Regular Check-Ins With ICE.

According to the New York Times, "For eight years, Guadalupe García de Rayos had checked in at the federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement office here, a requirement since she was caught using a fake Social Security number during a raid in 2008 at a water park where she worked. Every year since then, she has walked in and out of the meetings after a brief review of her case and some questions. But not this year. On Wednesday, immigration agents arrested Ms. Rayos, 35. Despite efforts by her family and others who tried to block, legally and physically, her removal from the United States, she was deported Thursday to Nogales, Mexico, the same city where she crossed into the United States 21 years ago." [New York Times, [2/8/17](#)]

- **Garcia De Rayos Had Two American-Born Children.** According to CNN, "Guadalupe Garcia de Rayos went to Mass and said a prayer before her immigration check-in Wednesday in Phoenix. It was her eighth visit since her 2008 arrest and conviction for using a fake Social Security number. After each meeting, the married mother of two was released and went back to her family. [...] Garcia de Rayos has two children who were born in Arizona." [CNN, [2/10/17](#)]

ICE Detained An Immigrant, Daniel Ramirez Medina, Who Was Protected Under DACA. According to the Los Angeles Times, "Immigration agents have detained and threatened to deport a 23-year-old immigrant in Washington state who came to the U.S. illegally as a 7-year-old and later received protection under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, a new lawsuit says. Daniel Ramirez Medina was arrested at his father's home south of Seattle on Friday by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents, according to a lawsuit filed by civil rights lawyers in federal court in Seattle this week. Ramirez is being held at a federal immigration detention facility in Tacoma, Wash." [Los Angeles Times, [2/14/17](#)]

- **Ramirez's Attorneys Argued That Federal Agents Made False Statements About Ramirez To Make Him Appear Guilty.** According to the Los Angeles Times, "Federal magistrate has refused to release from custody a 23-year-old Mexican immigrant whose case has drawn an international audience — first, because he has been accepted in a program that shields 'Dreamers' from deportation, and now because his attorneys allege officials altered documents to make him look guilty. Attorneys for Daniel Ramirez Medina also argue that federal agents lied about statements Ramirez made in custody and inaccurately described a tattoo on his forearm as a gang tattoo." [Los Angeles Times, [2/17/17](#)]

A Victim Of Domestic Abuse Was Detained At The Courthouse After Receiving A Protective Order Against Her Boyfriend. According to the El Paso Times, “Federal immigration agents went to the El Paso County Courthouse last week and arrested an undocumented woman who had just received a protective order alleging that she was a victim of domestic violence.” [El Paso Times, [2/15/17](#)]

- **ICE “Likely Received A Tip From...The Woman’s Alleged Abuser.”** According to the Washington Post, “A hearing in El Paso County in Texas went from ordinary to “unprecedented” last week when half a dozen Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents showed up at a courthouse where an undocumented woman was seeking a protective order against the boyfriend she accused of abusing her. [...] ‘This is really unprecedented,’ El Paso County Attorney Jo Anne Bernal told The Washington Post. It was the first time in her 23 years at the courthouse, Bernal said, that she can remember ICE agents making their presence known during a protective order hearing. The agents had come to stake out the woman, identified by her initials I.E.G., because, Bernal speculates, they likely received a tip from the only other person who knew the time and place of the hearing — the woman’s alleged abuser.” [Washington Post, [2/16/17](#)]

RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT THE CHILDREN OF DEPORTED IMMIGRANTS ARE LEFT WITH LASTING EMOTIONAL AND FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

Hirokazu Yoshikawa & Carola Suárez-Orozco: Research Has Shown That The Acceleration Of Parental Deportation To Meet Deportation Quotas Has Had Devastating Results, Including Deep And Irreversible Emotional Harm For Children. According to an op-ed by academic dean at the Harvard Graduate School of Education Hirokazu Yoshikawa and co-director of immigration studies at New York University Carola Suárez-Orozco in the New York Times, “In contrast, in the entire decade between 1998 and 2007, about 100,000 such parents were removed. The extraordinary acceleration in the dismantling of these families, part of the government’s efforts to meet an annual quota of about 400,000 deportations, has had devastating results. Research by the Urban Institute and others reveals the deep and irreversible harm that parental deportation causes in the lives of their children. Having a parent ripped away permanently, without warning, is one of the most devastating and traumatic experiences in human development.” [Hirokazu Yoshikawa & Carola Suárez-Orozco - New York Times, [2/21/12](#)]

Parental Deportation Has Led To Steep Drops In Income For Families Already Living Paycheck-To-Paycheck, Making It Difficult To Provide For The Children Left Behind. According to the Urban Institute, “Parental detention and deportation had a significant financial impact on families who were already living paycheck to paycheck. Families reported that they did not have the resources to replace the loss of income from the detained or deported primary breadwinner. Prior research has documented steep drops in family income, and sometimes loss of income altogether, among families with detained and deported fathers (Chaudry et al. 2010; Dreby 2010, 2012), and this study found a similar effect on family income. Often, mothers reported struggling to take care of their children and find paid work to make up for the father’s lost income.” [Urban Institute, [September 2015](#)]

- **Yoshikawa & Suárez-Orozco: Loss Of Parental Income From Deportations Leads To Housing And Food Insecurity And Psychological Distress In Children.** According to an op-ed by academic dean at the Harvard Graduate School of Education Hirokazu Yoshikawa and co-director of immigration studies at New York University Carola Suárez-Orozco in the New York Times, “These children experience immediate household crises, starting with the loss of parental income. The harsh new economic reality causes housing and food insecurity. In response to psychological and economic disruptions, children show increased anxiety, frequent crying, changes in eating and sleeping patterns, withdrawal and anger.” [Hirokazu Yoshikawa & Carola Suárez-Orozco - New York Times, [2/21/12](#)]

Yoshikawa & Suárez-Orozco: “Children Of Deportation Face Increased Odds Of Lasting Economic Turmoil, Psychic Scarring, Reduced School Attainment, Greater Difficulty In Maintaining Relationships, Social Exclusion And Lower Earnings.” According to an op-ed by academic dean at the Harvard Graduate School of Education Hirokazu Yoshikawa and co-director of immigration studies at New York University Carola Suárez-Orozco in the New York Times, “In the long run, the children of deportation face increased odds of lasting economic turmoil, psychic scarring, reduced school attainment, greater difficulty in maintaining relationships, social exclusion and lower earnings.” [Hirokazu Yoshikawa & Carola Suárez-Orozco - New York Times, [2/21/12](#)]

Deportations On Such A Scale Could Have Major Macroeconomic Consequences

THE NEW DEPORTATION POLICIES COULD COST BILLIONS TO IMPLEMENT AND COST TRILLIONS IN LOST ECONOMIC OUTPUT

The Conservative Think Tank American Action Forum Estimated That Deportations Could Lead The Economy To Shrink By \$1.6 Trillion Over The Next 20 Years. According to the New York Daily News, “According to an analysis from the American Action Forum, a conservative-leaning think tank, the U.S. economy could shrink by \$1.6 trillion over the next 20 years as a result of the deportations.” [New York Daily News, [2/22/17](#)]

American Action Forum: The Total Cost Of The Detention And Deportation Plans Could Be \$100-\$300 Billion. According to the New York Daily News, “The right-leaning American Action Forum last year analyzed the force necessary to apprehend and remove all 11.3 million illegal immigrants from the U.S. within two years. ‘(T)he federal government would need to increase federal immigration apprehension workers from 4,844 to 90,582, immigration detention personnel from 5,203 to 53,381, federal immigration attorneys from 1,430 to 32,445, and immigration courts from 58 to 1,316,’ the group found. The group estimated it would take hundreds of thousands of extra detention beds, 17,000 chartered airplane flights, and 30,000 chartered bus trips each year. The total price tag would be \$100 billion to \$300 billion, the group estimates.” [New York Daily News, [2/22/17](#)]

“Moody’s Analytics Projected That Trump’s Policies Would Shrink The Labor Force By About 5%.” According to the New York Daily News, “Moody’s Analytics projected that Trump’s policies would shrink the labor force by about 5% — driving up not only wages, but also the cost of goods, creating inflation and higher interest rates. Meanwhile, real gross domestic product would decline by 5.7%, or almost \$1.6 trillion.” [New York Daily News, [2/22/17](#)]

National Bureau Of Economic Research: Deporting All Undocumented Workers Could Cost The Economy \$5 Trillion Over 10 Years. According to the Chicago Tribune, “President Donald Trump’s sweeping crackdown on immigrants in the country illegally will strain an already tight U.S. job market, with one study suggesting that removing all of them would cost the economy as much as \$5 trillion over 10 years. That represents the contribution of the millions of unauthorized workers to the world’s largest economy, about 3 percent of private-sector gross domestic product, according to a recent paper issued by the National Bureau of Economic Research. At an average of \$500 billion in output a year, removing all such immigrants would be like lopping off the equivalent of Massachusetts from the U.S. economy, said study co-author Francesc Ortega.” [Chicago Tribune, [2/22/17](#)]

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Editorial Boards Quickly Slammed The Trump Administration’s New Immigration Policies

USA Today Editorial: The New Immigration Policies “Are Wrongheaded And Cruel.” According to a “USA Today editorial, “President Trump’s crackdown on undocumented immigrants will cast a far wider net than President Obama’s did, though Obama deported more immigrants than any other president. The new guidelines could potentially ensnare millions of immigrants who entered the United States illegally but since then have abided by the law, worked for a living and raised families in a country they now call home. To the extent that the policies place these immigrants in fear, break up families and leave children to fend for themselves, they are wrongheaded and unnecessarily cruel. Only more time and more actions will clarify just how harsh the written policies will be when executed by enforcement authorities.” [Editorial – USA Today, [2/21/17](#)]

USA Today Editorial: “Realism Seems Far Removed From The Debate.” According to a USA Today editorial, “A more realistic approach to immigration would target employers who hire illegal workers, crack down on visa overstays, and deport only those who pose a real threat to public safety. But realism seems far removed from the debate about walls and deportations.” [Editorial – USA Today, [2/21/17](#)]

New York Times Editorial Headline: “Mr. Trump’s ‘Deportation Force’ Prepares An Assault On American Values.” [Editorial – New York Times, [2/21/17](#)]

New York Times Editorial: The DHS Memos “Are Remarkable For How Completely They Turn Sensible Immigration Policies Upside Down And Backward.” According to a New York Times editorial, “The homeland security secretary, John Kelly, issued a remarkable pair of memos on Tuesday. They are the battle plan for the ‘deportation force’ President Trump promised in the campaign. They are remarkable for how completely they turn sensible immigration policies upside down and backward. For how they seek to make the deportation machinery more extreme and frightening (and expensive), to the detriment of deeply held American values.” [Editorial – New York Times, [2/21/17](#)]

New York Times Editorial: DHS Plans To “Publish Data On Crimes Committed By Unauthorized Immigrants [...] To Promote The False Idea [...] That Immigrants Pose Particular Safety Risks.” According to a New York Times editorial, “He [Kelly] plans to publish data on crimes committed by unauthorized immigrants, and to identify state and local jurisdictions that release immigrants from custody. Why? To promote the false idea, as Mr. Trump has shamefully done, that immigrants pose particular safety risks and to punish so-called sanctuary cities that, for reasons of public order and decency, are trying to disconnect themselves from ICE.” [Editorial – New York Times, [2/21/17](#)]

New York Times Editorial: “The Risk Of Injustice Is Profound” And “So Is The Danger To Due Process.” According to a New York Times editorial, “When every local law enforcement encounter can be a prelude to deportation, unauthorized immigrants will fear and avoid the police. And when state and local officers untrained in immigration law suddenly get to decide who stays and who goes, the risk of injustice is profound. So is the danger to due process. Current procedure allows for swiftly deporting, without a hearing, immigrants who are caught near the border and who entered very recently. But Mr. Kelly notes that the law allows him to fast-track the removal of immigrants caught anywhere in the country who cannot prove they have been here ‘continuously’ for at least two years. He’s keeping his options open about whether to short-circuit due process with a coast-to-coast show-me-your-papers policy.” [Editorial – New York Times, [2/21/17](#)]

Washington Post Editorial Headline: “The Trump Administration’s Blueprint For Mass Removals, With A Streak Of Cruelty.” [Editorial – Washington Post, [2/21/17](#)]

Washington Post Editorial: “A Streak Of Cruelty Runs Through The New Policy [...] The Administration’s Policies Will Break Up Families And Harm People Leading Peaceable Lives.”

According to a Washington Post editorial, “Sean Spicer, the White House spokesman, likes to echo Mr. Trump’s comment that he has ‘a big heart,’ the supposed evidence being that the DHS guidelines do not, for now, aim deportation efforts at ‘dreamers’ — the 750,000 young people given work permits and temporarily shielded from removal by the Obama administration. While that is welcome, in other respects a streak of cruelty runs through the new policy. For instance, it seeks to deter the entry of unaccompanied minors by threatening to prosecute parents if they paid smugglers to help their children cross the border. Deterrence is a fair goal if achieved by humane means. In this case, the administration’s policies will break up families and harm people leading peaceable lives.” [Editorial – Washington Post, [2/21/17](#)]

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