

Resources for Civics for Adults Our Rights

Rights: Violations and Tactics to Protect

I've Covered Police Abuse for 20 Years. What ICE Is Doing Is Different.

Radley Balko • Commentary. CATO Institute January 21, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/commentary/live-covered-police-abuse-20-years-what-ice-doing-different>

In Minnesota, ICE Is Assaulting the Constitutional Rights of Citizens

Walter Olson. CATO Institute. January 23, 2026

<https://www.cato.org/blog/ice-versus-fourth-amendment>

You have the right to film ICE detentions. Here's how to do it safely and effectively

Julia Barajas. LAist. Published Jun 27, 2025

https://laist.com/news/politics/first-amendment-right-film-ice-detentions-bystander?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_content=&utm_campaign=LAist

Tenth Circuit Recognizes Constitutional Right to Record the Police

Christopher Jackson and Nick Katz. Holland-Hart. August 11, 2022

<https://www.hollandhart.com/tenth-circuit-recognizes-constitutional-right-to-record-the-police>

DHS Claims Videotaping ICE Raids Is 'Violence'

Cunningham-Cook. American Prospect. Sept 9, 2025

<https://prospect.org/2025/09/09/2025-09-09-dhs-claims-videotaping-ice-raids-is-violence/>

Good video from LULAC on how to record and observe an ICE encounter

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/3799662273660444>

The Government Unconstitutionally Labels ICE Observers as Domestic Terrorists

David J. Bier. CATO Institute. December 15, 2025

<https://www.cato.org/blog/dhs-policy-threatening-arresting-ice-observers-violates-their-rights>

What to Do if ICE Invades Your Neighborhood

Newman et al. Wired Magazine. Jan 13, 2026.

<https://www.wired.com/story/what-to-do-if-ice-invades-your-neighborhood/>

Filming federal agents in public is legal, but avoiding a dangerous—even deadly—confrontation isn't guaranteed. Here's how to record ICE and CBP agents as safely as possible and have an impact.

Burgess et al. Wired Magazine. 1/31/2026

<https://www.wired.com/story/how-to-film-ice/>

Witness - Resources [Witness - helps people use video and technology to protect and defend human rights.]

<https://www.witness.org/resources/>

Witness – Tipsheet on Filming Protests and Demonstrations in the U.S.

<https://library.witness.org/product/filming-protests-and-demonstrations-in-the-u-s/>

How To Livestream Protests (United States). Witness.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tm4hgbVuPIk>

You're asked to prove you're a U.S. citizen. Is that legal?

Hear from a co-director of UCLA School of Law's Center for Immigration Law and Policy.

Noreen O'Donnell and Miguel Estrada Machado • NBC. January 16, 2026

<https://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/national-international/prove-citizenship-legal/3832660/>

Protests & Public Safety: A Guide for Cities & Citizens

Institute for Constitutional Advocacy and Protection. Georgetown Law School.

<https://constitutionalprotestguide.org/>

View section by section or download the whole 126-page guide.

Immigrants' Rights

IRCO: Immigrant Rights Coalition of Oregon <https://irco.org/>

Portland Immigrant Rights Coalition <https://pircoregon.org/>

Portland Immigrant Rights Coalition – Get Involved <https://pircoregon.org/get-involved>

Flyers to download: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1df_c8WooZgDOPSbY297m1RcEMWYQkGW3

Immigration resources from Latino Network <https://www.latnet.org/immigration-legal-navigation-services>

Pueblo Unido <https://www.pueblounidopdx.org/>

Northwest Immigrant Rights Project <https://nwirp.org/> Although especially for Washington residents, much of the info is useful to those outside of Washington. Check out the Know Your Rights page.

National Immigrant Justice Center <https://immigrantjustice.org/>

Oregon for All <https://www.oregonforall.us/>

The handy “red cards” about rights for immigrants interacting with law enforcement
<https://www.ilrc.org/red-cards-tarjetas-rojas>

Assistance and Legal Help [local is to Portland area]

National Lawyers Guild <https://www.nlg.org/>

ACLU has a ton of resources, for example:

Start here: ACLU Know Your Rights page <https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights>

WE HAVE RIGHTS: In Our Communities, In Our Streets (English et al) ACLU. 2018. Video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FrK8aaGxRJE&t=3s>

ACLU – Immigrants’ Rights <https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/immigrants-rights>

Know Your Rights: If ICE Stops You in Public. ACLU. PDF.

<https://internationalservices.gwu.edu/sites/g/files/zaxdzs6431/files/2025-04/KYR.pdf>

Protestors’ Rights. ACLU. <https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/protesters-rights>

Stopped by Police. ACLU. <https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/stopped-by-police>

Portland

Portland Mayor Statement on Federal Use of Chemical Munitions at Peaceful Protest

https://www.portland.gov/mayor/keith-wilson/news/2026/1/31/portland-mayor-statement-federal-use-chemical-munitions-peaceful?fbclid=IwY2xjawPr1GVleHRuA2FlbQlXMQBicmlkETE5eTVtaXg5UEJpdjZQeXROc3J0YwZhcHBfaWQQMjlyMDM5MTc4ODIwMDg5MgABHjPiw5WoKccs_r2xX5wNrwUGl0Vxqxie_SW4TtYSuP-yXmY1lU2kxEqDBFg_aem_boJKHwuQEA3G-QM3HMXj8g

Portland Values and the Federal Government

https://www.portland.gov/federal?_gl=1*hto3j8*_ga*NzA5NTEwNTc5LjE2ODYwNzUxOTg.*_ga_LH28Y7114F*cze3Njk5Mjc5NTkkbzM2OCrNMcR0MTc2OTkyNzk2MSRqNTgkbDAkaDA.

Portland.gov Know Your Rights Page

<https://www.portland.gov/civic/immigrants/federal-resources#toc-know-your-rights>

Portland Police Chief statement about Portland’s sanctuary status:

<https://www.portland.gov/police/news/2025/1/28/ppb-chief-addresses-immigration-enforcement-community-letter>

Oregon

State Sanctuary Promise Violations Hotline <https://www.doj.state.or.us/oregon-department-of-justice/civil-rights/sanctuary-promise/reporting-sanctuary-promise-violations-to-the-hotline/>

Due Process Specifically

As American as Due Process: Those accused of wrongdoing have the right to challenge the evidence against them before the government takes away their liberty.

Billy Binion. Reason Magazine. July 2025.

<https://reason.com/2025/06/08/as-american-as-due-process/>

Cases

Judge limits ICE’s crowd control tactics following Minneapolis shooting

The judge’s order prevents federal agents from arresting peaceful protesters.

Kyle Cheney et al. Politico. 1/16/2026 <https://www.politico.com/news/2026/01/16/ice-minneapolis-arrests-judge-protests-00735416>

Judge considers accountability measures for federal agents at Portland ICE facility

Conrad Wilson. OPB. Jan. 30, 2026. Hearing in March - protesters who say DHS officers infringed on constitutional rights.

https://www.opb.org/article/2026/01/30/accountability-measures-portland-ice-facility/?fbclid=IwY2xjawPrUOhleHRuA2FlbQlXMQBicmlkETF6WkJCcTZPVE9hUU82Tndwc3J0YwZhcHBfaWQQMjlyMDM5MTc4ODIwMDg5MgABHtl62v8woCuhmQfkEqC9BEahx4ou7RYpwzYx5EWYpTx3GS1_nzg1lUh9f9X_aem_wBh5lNtM507pjL7ilpgZTg