Know Your Power

Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE)/Customs & Border Patrol (CBP) interactions for Immigrants at Home, in the Car, and in Public

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Opening Exercise: Learning from the learner

What is your experience with police in your country of origin? How about in the U.S.?

How are police viewed in your country of origin? In the U.S.?

Yes, you have rights!

Even without papers or citizenship, **all people have rights under the United States Constitution** when coming in contact with ICE/CBP and other law enforcement.

Know these rights and create plans and policies so that you can **be prepared** to protect yourself as well as your neighbors and colleagues.

Key Constitutional amendments: 1 (speech), 4 (search and seizure), 5 (silence), 14 (applies amendments to states).

***Pocket Constitutions available today!**

Border Zones

Federal law states that, without a warrant, CBP can board vehicles/vessels and search for people without immigration documentation “within a reasonable distance from any external boundary of the United States.” Such “external boundaries” include the U.S. coastline, including all of Michigan. But you still have rights!

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Police (not ICE; local, not federal)

- **Grand Rapids Police (GRPD)**: Responsible for law enforcement within Grand Rapids city limits.
- **Greater Grand Rapids City PDs**: Individual police departments for surrounding municipalities (e.g., Wyoming, Kentwood).
- **Kent County Sheriff**: Covers all of Kent County; handles areas without a local police department, manages county jail, and provides court security.
- **Michigan State Police (MSP)**: Statewide jurisdiction; enforces highway traffic laws, supports local agencies, and oversees specialized units.

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Michigan State Police and the City of Grand Rapids Police Department currently have policies in place regarding immigration status – other departments do not.

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Michigan State Police policy: "Longstanding department policies prohibit members from stopping or detaining anyone based solely on their race, ethnicity or possible immigration status."

City of Grand Rapids Police Department policy:
"The GRPD is neither responsible for, nor has the authority to, enforce federal civil immigration laws used to detain or remove undocumented immigrants from the United States. This means that the GRPD does not serve as a civil immigration enforcement agency for the federal government. The department does not take on the responsibility of performing immigration functions unrelated to investigating and enforcing criminal violations."

Kent County Sheriff statement: "'Kent County is not—and has never been—a sanctuary county. The Kent County Sheriff's Office has consistently worked in coordination with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and our federal, state, and local law enforcement partners.'"

Immigration (not Police, no matter what their gear says)

While there is no standard unform for ICE, we have recently seen an increase in ICE officers in plainclothes, masked and without identification.

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Frequently Asked Questions (and Answers)about ICE

Can you ask ICE officers for ID?

Yes. They may not provide it, though they are supposed to do so under current federal regulations*

Have there been cases of people impersonating ICE officers? Yes.

How about ICE officers impersonating other professions? Yes.

- State attorneys general have requested federal legislation regarding ICE agents wearing masks.
- There are current fights over funding for ICE in Congess.
- There are multiple bills pending in various states to rein in ICE, and some laws passed that will soon take effect.

What identification is ICE currently required to have displayed?

According to ICE: "All ICE law enforcement officers carry badges and credentials and will identify themselves when required for public safety or legal necessity." But this has often not been happening.

- 8 CFR § 287.8 - Standards for enforcement activities.

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What is obstruction of justice?

Many of us have seen video of ICE officers threatening to arrest people for “obstruction” when people record, ask questions, ask for warrants, etc. So, what is obstruction of justice?

In general, “Obstruction of justice broadly refers to actions by individuals that illegally prevent or influence the outcome of a government proceeding.” The United States Code (73 U.S.C. §§ 1501 to 1521) notes many types of obstruction of justice infractions under federal law. Most of these are specific to certain types of investigations.

What is commonly referred to as “obstruction” is more likely the actions outlined in 18 U.S.C. § 111, “Assaulting, resisting, or impeding certain officers or employees” – that is, forcibly assaulting, resisting, opposing, impeding, intimidating, or interfering with officers or employees of the United States. The word “forcibly” is key here – getting in the way of officers is what this is commonly understood to mean.

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What to do if immigration agents…

- Come to your home
- Stop you in your car
- Stop or come near you in public(*not while driving*)

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IF IMMIGRATION AGENTS…

Come to your home

Preserve your rights

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Preserve sus derechos

Know and exercise your rights – do not open the door when ICE knocks at the door of your home.

Say:

- You are not allowed to enter private property without a valid judicial warrant.*
- If you have a valid judicial warrant, please slide it under the door or hold it against the window so I can see it.
- If you do not have a valid judicial warrant, you do not have the right to enter my home or private property.
- I won't answer any questions and I will call my attorney.
- I wish to remain silent.

*Signed by a judge, with correct name, correct address, and a valid date.

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CONOCE Y EJERCE TUS DERECHOS

NO ABRAS LA PUERTA

• PIDE AL AGENTE QUE TE MUESTRE UNA ORDEN JUDICIAL DESLIZÁNDOLA BAJO LA PUERTA O MOSTRANDOLA CONTRA LA VENTANA Y ASEGURATE DE QUE ES UNA ORDEN JUDICIAL VALIDA

• UNA ORDEN JUDICIAL VALIDA DEBE TENER: TU NOMBRE Y DIRECCIÓN CORRECTA, FECHA VALIDA Y FIRMADA POR UN JUEZ

• SI LA ORDEN JUDICIAL NO TIENE TU INFORMACIÓN CORRECTA, ENTONCES LA ORDEN NO ES VÁLIDA. MUESTRE LA TARJETA ROJA AL AGENTE

PERMANECE EN SILENCIO

• NO RESPONDA NINGUNA PREGUNTA Y DI: "I WISH TO REMAIN SILENT"

• NO PROPORCIONES INFORMACIÓN SOBRE DÓNDE NACISTE, CUÁNDO O CÓMO LLEGASTE AL PAÍS

HABLA CON UN ABOGADO

• DI "I WILL CALL MY ATTORNEY" Y LLAMA A TU ABOGADO ANTES DE RESPONDER CUALQUIER PREGUNTA

NO FIRMES NADA

• NO FIRMES NINGÚN DOCUMENTO

IMMIGRATION at your house or where you live

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Prevention + Preparation

Have a **plan in advance** with your family and friends. (See sample plan in later slide.)

Make sure entrances and exits, and fences, if any, remain locked.

Post inside your door about your rights and to record interactions

Example: previous slide

Add: attorney phone number

Have red cards ready. (See sample red card in later slide.)

IMMIGRATION at your house or where you live

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In the Moment

Keep **calm** and **do not open** the door.

If you feel safe, **record** the event with your cell phone (audio and/or video). *Make sure your photo and videos are being **synced** to a virtual account like the Cloud or Google photos.*

If an immigration agent enters your home, **verbally express that you do NOT give them permission** to enter your home or search your belongings. Ask to see a warrant (search or arrest). Photograph the warrant.

Do not answer any questions, using your right to remain silent. If you do choose to answer, do not lie. Be brief.

Do not sign any documents.

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Stop you in a car

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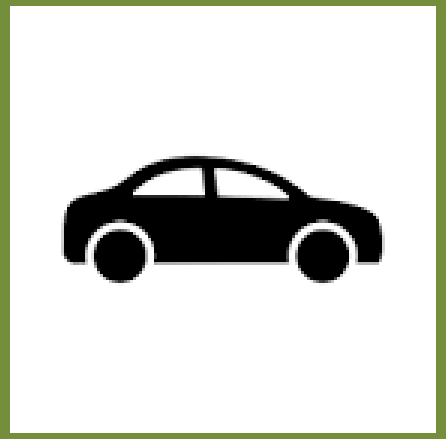

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Prevention + Preparation

Create a **plan in advance** with your family and friends.

Be ready to **record**, audio or video. *Make sure your photo and videos are being **synced** to a virtual account like the Cloud or Google photos, in case you record interactions.*

Photograph any warrants shown.

Do not offer to show a foreign driver's licenses. (They are not enforcing traffic or driving violations.)

Do carry any documents that show your right to be in the United States, if you have them.

IF IMMIGRATION AGENTS…

Stop you in a car

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In the Moment

Stop your car in a safe place as soon as possible.

Stay in your car, turn your interior lights on, open the window, and place your hands on the wheel. Stay calm.

Show your license, registration, and insurance if you have them – do NOT show false documents.

Do not answer any questions, using your right to remain silent. If you do choose to answer, do not lie and be brief. This applies to the driver and the passengers.

Ask for warrant if they demand to search your car. Photograph the warrant. Do not agree to having your car searched without a warrant.

If you have documents that show your right to be in the US, show the officer. Failure to do so could result in your arrest.

IF IMMIGRATION AGENTS…

Stop you in a car

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For Passengers in the car

- Start recording
- Don't consent to a search
- Do comply with a pat down
- Ask if you are free to leave
- You have the right to remain silent
- Stay calm

This 2019 video shows a citizen asserting constitutional rights when ICE stops this car.

IF IMMIGRATION AGENTS…

Approach you in public
(pedestrian / walking)

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Approach you in public

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Prevention + Preparation

Create a **plan in advance**.

Record. Make sure your photo and videos are being **synced** to a virtual account like the Cloud or Google photos, in case you record interactions.

Don’t carry a non-U.S. passport. This is a travel document, and if you are detained when you have it with you, they can deport you faster. *H-2A exception

Don’t provide foreign ID to ICE, including your consulate card, driver’s license, and voting card. This would signal to ICE officers that you were not born in the United States.

Join a local pro-immigrant group to help you prepare.

IF IMMIGRATION AGENTS…

Approach you in public

(pedestrian / walking)

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In the Moment

Start **recording**. Ask them to **identify** themselves.

Stay silent. Don't give them your name. If you chose to speak, **do not lie.**

Stay calm and do not run.

Ask for a warrant and check to see if your name is on it and is spelled correctly: signed by a judge. Photograph the warrant.

Don’t share personal information, including address.

Don’t take the agent to your house to get your ID.

Do not sign anything. Do not agree to being searched.

Report the interaction to an attorney, if necessary.

Answer questions? Bad idea.
Ask questions? Good idea.

Ask...Comply...Document

Ask: What do you want?
Will you please show me the warrant?

Comply: Don't resist – even when agents are wrong.

Document: Record any interaction with ICE. *Make sure your photo and videos are being **synced** to a virtual account like the Cloud or Google photos.*

(You may not be able to stop agents' actions in the moment, but you may be able to address their actions later in court.)

For all interactions:

You can ask:

Please show me your officer ID.

Please show me your warrant if you have one.

Am I free to leave?

You can say/answer:

I'm remaining silent.

I don't want to answer any questions.

I don't consent to any search (of my car, in my pockets, my house, anything) .

I don't consent to this.

I don't consent to being fingerprinted.

What to do with warrants:

- Look at warrant
- Photograph warrant
- Judge's signature? NO? = Not a court order.
- If warrant is signed by a judge, is the name and address correct? NO? = not valid.
- If yes, allow the officer to do what the warrant says. Record everything openly.
- What does the warrant allow? Arrest of a person, or a search? It must be specific.

AO 93 (Rev. 11/13) Search and Seizure Warrant

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

In the Matter of the Search of
(Briefly describe the property to be searched or identify the person by name and address)

Case No.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE WARRANT

To: Any authorized law enforcement officer

An application by a federal law enforcement officer or an attorney for the government requests the search of the following person or property located in the _____ District of _____
(identify the person or describe the property to be searched and give its location):

I find that the affidavit(s), or any recorded testimony, establish probable cause to search and seize the person or property described above, and that such search will reveal *(identify the person or describe the property to be seized)*:

YOU ARE COMMANDED to execute this warrant on or before _____ *(not to exceed 14 days)*
❒ in the daytime 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ❒ at any time in the day or night because good cause has been established.

Unless delayed notice is authorized below, you must give a copy of the warrant and a receipt for the property taken to the person from whom, or from whose premises, the property was taken, or leave the copy and receipt at the place where the property was taken.

The officer executing this warrant, or an officer present during the execution of the warrant, must prepare an inventory as required by law and promptly return this warrant and inventory to _____.
(United States Magistrate Judge)

❒ Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b), I find that immediate notification may have an adverse result listed in 18 U.S.C. § 2705 (except for delay of trial), and authorize the officer executing this warrant to delay notice to the person who, or whose property, will be searched or seized *(check the appropriate box)*
❒ for ____ days *(not to exceed 30)* ❒ until, the facts justifying, the later specific date of _____.

Date and time issued: _____ _____
Judge's signature

City and state: _____ _____
Printed name and title

*Valid constitutional warrant

US. Department of Justice
Immigration and Naturalization Service

Warrant of Removal/Deportation

File No: _____

Date: _____

To any officer of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service:

_____
(Full name of alien)

who entered the United States at _____ on _____
(Place of entry) (Date of entry)

is subject to removal/deportation from the United States, based upon a final order by:

- ☐ an immigration judge in exclusion, deportation, or removal proceedings
- ☐ a district director or a district director's designated official
- ☐ the Board of Immigration Appeals
- ☐ a United States District or Magistrate Court Judge

and pursuant to the following provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act:
Section 241(a)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act(Act), as amended.

I, the undersigned officer of the United States, by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Attorney General under the laws of the United States and by his or her direction, command you to take into custody and remove from the United States the above-named alien, pursuant to law, at the expense of the appropriation. "Salaries and Expenses Immigration and Naturalization Service 2002," including the expense of an attendant if necessary.

_____
(Signature of INS official)

_____
(Title of INS official)

_____
(Date and office location)

Form I-205 (Rev. 4-1-97)N

*Invalid warrant under constitution

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Agents will ask questions. What is a leading question?

- Any question that ends in:

  - ...isn't that true? You are not legal, are you?
  - ...correct?
  - ...didn't you?

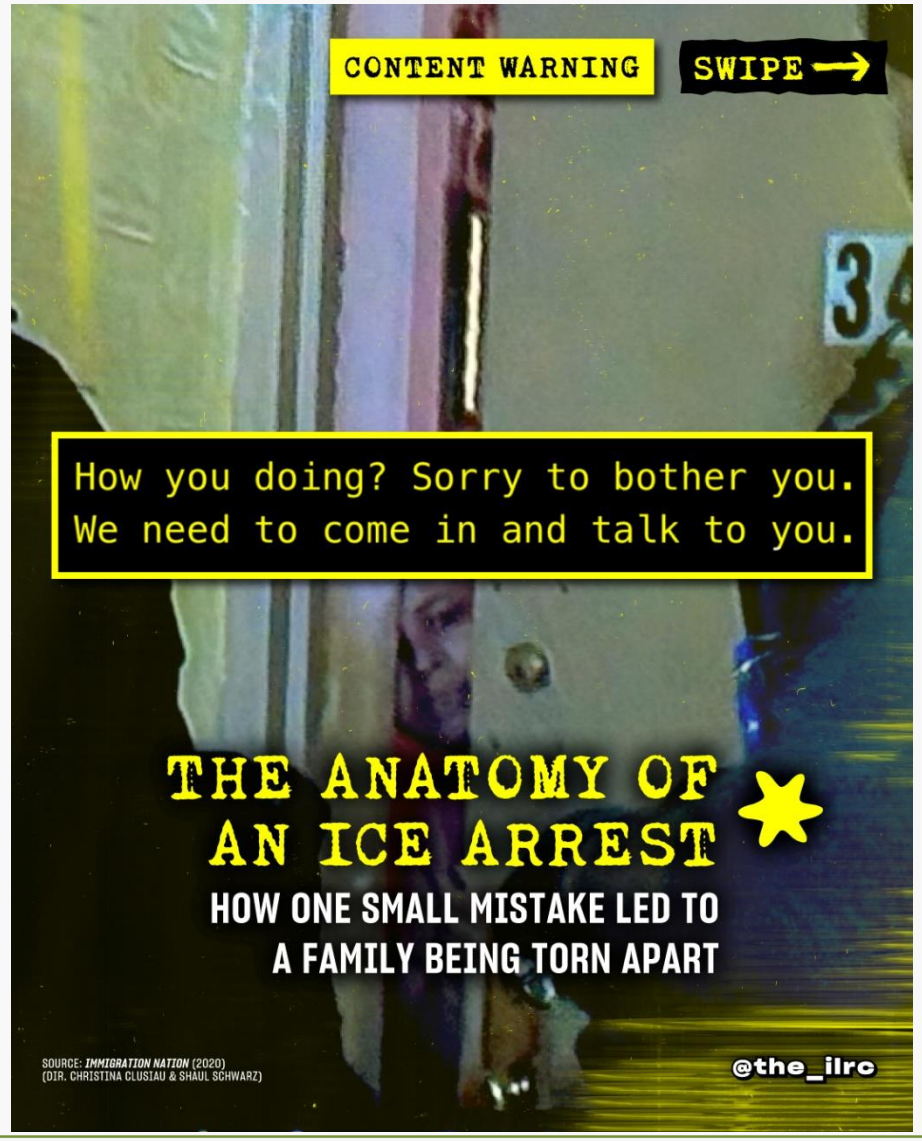
- Questions that make a statement:

  - You don’t have a valid license, correct?
  - This is not your real name, right?

- Questions that include an assumption:

  - When did you stop stealing cars?

Remain silent when asked these types of questions.


CONTENT WARNING
SWIPE →
How you doing? Sorry to bother you.
We need to come in and talk to you.
THE ANATOMY OF AN ICE ARREST
HOW ONE SMALL MISTAKE LED TO A FAMILY BEING TORN APART
SOURCE: IMMIGRATION NATION (2020)
(DIR. CHRISTINA CLUSIAU & SHAUL SCHWARZ)
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SWIPE →
[officer] We're not gonna yell through a closed door, ma'am.
That's not how we do business.
Please open the door so I can talk to you.
AN ILRC LAWYER REVIEWED A REAL LIFE ICE ARREST CAPTURED ON CAMERA AND PROVIDED NOTES ABOUT HOW AGENTS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION.
SCENE FROM
IMMIGRATION NATION (2020)
DOCUMENTARY SERIES ON NETFLIX
(DIR. CHRISTINA CLUSIAU & SHAUL SCHWARZ)
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SOURCE: *IMMIGRATION NATION* (2020)
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OBSERVATIONS:

- AGENTS USE STERN, IMPOSING TONES TO COERCE THE FAMILY TO OPEN THE DOOR.
- THEY DO NOT STATE THEIR MOTIVES WHILE THE DOOR IS CLOSED.
- VERY EARLY MORNING OPERATION SO FAMILY IS CAUGHT OFF GUARD.
- AGENTS SWIFTLY ENTER ONCE THE DOOR IS OPENED VOLUNTARILY.

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SWIPE →

- THEY IDENTIFY THEIR TARGET, AN ELDER MALE, AND TAKE HIM INTO CUSTODY.
- THE FAMILY SCRAMBLES TO UNDERSTAND IF THE AGENTS CAN RIGHTFULLY BE THERE.

It's actually a federal offense to come back in the country.

I gotta take him to the Southern District of New York. He's gonna be remanded today.

-Okay, but can I see any paperwork?
-Yeah, I'll give you a card.

No, I mean paperwork saying that you guys have permission to come in here or something.

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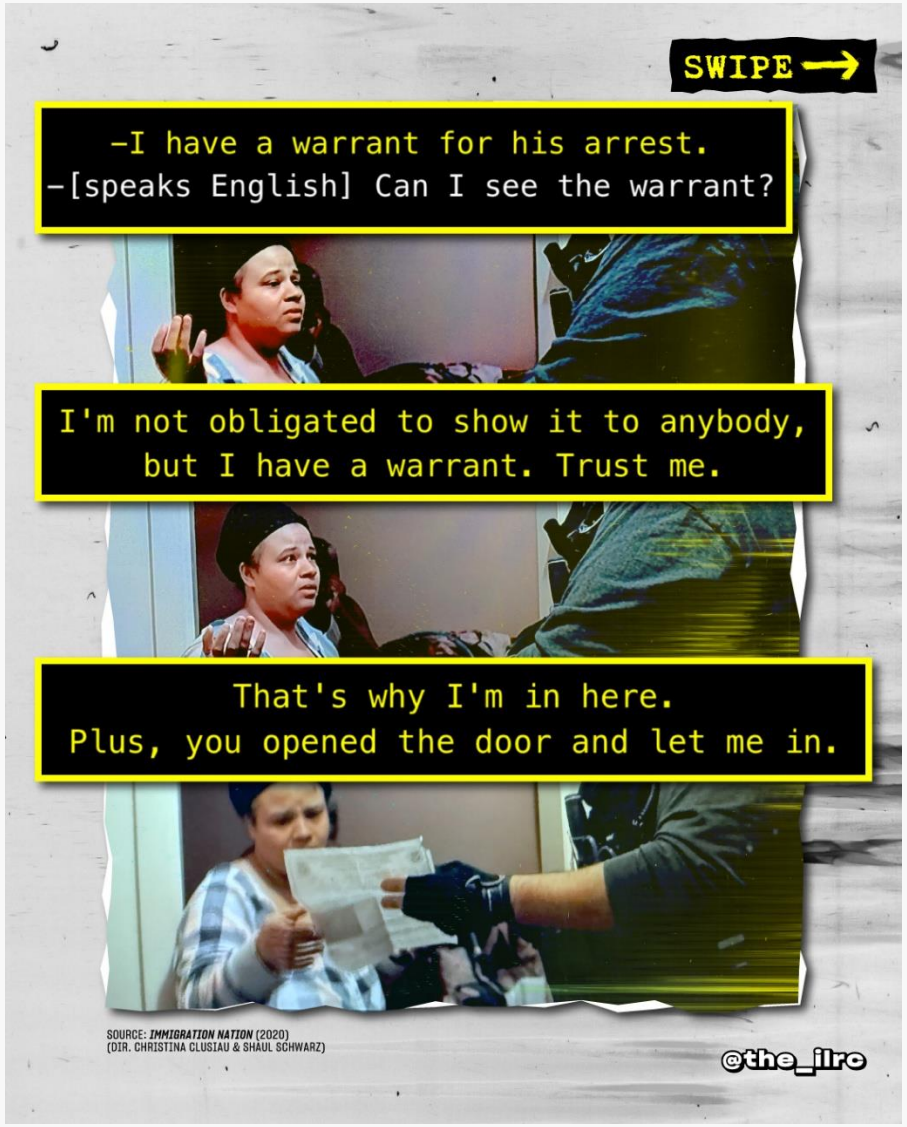
SWIPE →
-I have a warrant for his arrest.
-[speaks English] Can I see the warrant?
I'm not obligated to show it to anybody, but I have a warrant. Trust me.
That's why I'm in here.
Plus, you opened the door and let me in.
SOURCE: IMMIGRATION NATION (2020)
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SWIPE →
"YOU OPENED THE DOOR AND LET ME IN."
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SWIPE →

WHAT WENT WRONG:

- IT'S UNCLEAR IF ICE WAS USING AN ADMINISTRATIVE WARRANT, WHICH - UNLIKE A JUDICIAL WARRANT - IS NOT SIGNED BY A JUDGE AND DOES NOT AUTHORIZE ENTRY INTO YOUR HOME.

  THE PERSON ANSWERING THE DOOR WAS UNDERSTANDABLY RATTLED BY THE SITUATION AND FELT PRESSURED TO OPEN THE DOOR BY THE AUTHORITIES—WITHOUT MUCH TIME TO PROCESS WHAT WAS HAPPENING, LET ALONE CONSIDER THEIR RIGHTS OR WHAT THEY SHOULD ASK FIRST.

- ICE AGENTS WOULD ARGUE THEY WERE ABLE TO ENTER THE HOME BECAUSE THE RESIDENT OPENED THE DOOR.

- IT WASN'T UNTIL THE FAMILY MEMBER WAS APPREHENDED THAT THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION SET IN AND THE RESIDENT BEGAN INQUIRING ABOUT THE DOCUMENTATION THAT ALLOWED THIS ALL TO UNFOLD.

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SWIPE →

WHAT YOU CAN DO IF YOU ARE IN THIS SITUATION:

- DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR.

- MAKE IT A HABIT NOT TO OPEN YOUR DOOR IF YOU ARE NOT EXPECTING ANYONE, OR TO ASK WHO IS THERE. REMEMBER, ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS NEED A WARRANT TO ENTER YOUR HOME.

- REMEMBER YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEAK TO ICE AT ALL WHEN YOU ARE INSIDE OF YOUR HOME. HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE ALREADY SPEAKING TO ICE WHILE THEY ARE OUTSIDE OF YOUR HOME HERE ARE SOME TIPS TO REMEMBER:

✱ IT IS COMMON PRACTICE FOR ICE TO LIE OR INTIMIDATE PEOPLE TO PRESSURE THEM INTO WAIVING THEIR RIGHTS. REMAIN CONFIDENT THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ENTRY INTO YOUR HOME UNDER THE FOURTH AMENDMENT.

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SWIPE →

WHAT YOU CAN DO IF YOU ARE IN THIS SITUATION:

- IF YOUR DOOR HAS A WAY TO ACCEPT PAPERWORK WITHOUT OPENING THE DOOR (E.G. SLIDING IT UNDER THE FRAME OR THROUGH A SLOT) ASK FOR COPIES OF THE PAPERWORK TO SHOW AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY AFTER THE ENCOUNTER.
- IF YOU HAVE AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY OR LOCAL RAPID RESPONSE NETWORK, CALL THEM WHILE ICE IS AT YOUR HOUSE TO INFORM THEM OF THE SITUATION. THEY MAY BE ABLE TO GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE ENCOUNTER.
- YOU CAN ALSO FILM OR RECORD THE ENCOUNTER TO SHOW AN IMMIGRATION LAWYER LATER.

AGAIN, REFRAINING FROM SPEAKING WITH ICE ALTOGETHER WILL HELP AVOID VOLUNTEERING INFORMATION THEY CAN USE AGAINST YOU.

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WHAT YOU CAN DO IF YOU ARE IN THIS SITUATION:

- ONCE YOU BELIEVE ICE HAS LEFT, IT'S A GOOD IDEA FOR FAMILY MEMBERS WITH LEGAL IMMIGRATION STATUS TO GO OUTSIDE FIRST TO VERIFY THAT ICE IS GONE BEFORE OTHERS EXIT THE HOME.
- FOLLOW UP WITH A CONSULTATION WITH AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY IF ICE VISITED YOUR HOUSE. FREE OR LOW-COST SUPPORT IN YOUR AREA: ILRC.ME/FINDHELP
- REMEMBER THAT, AS ODD AS IT FEELS, YOU CAN PRACTICE THIS TYPE OF SCENARIO WITH YOUR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS SO THAT EVERYONE FEELS MORE CONFIDENT AND KNOWS WHAT TO DO IF ICE COMES TO YOUR HOME.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS TOOLKIT:
ILRC.ME/PROTECT

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INTERACTIONS WITH ICE OR POLICE

General Reminders

You have the right to…

- Video/audio record openly
- Remain silent
- Review any warrant (correct name, address? What does it allow, a search? Of what?
- Talk to an attorney
- Make a phone call
- Notify your embassy or consulate

TIP: Use your real and full name – if arrested/detained, this will be how your family and friends can find you

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INTERACTIONS WITH IMMIGRATION AGENTS OR POLICE

General Reminders

Avoid *Notarios* in the United States

These people are usually **not attorneys**, and they are not permitted to prepare immigration filings.

Be careful with attorneys who *promise* or *guarantee* specific results.

Keep your receipts and representation agreements.

TIP: Contacting a nonprofit immigrant legal service provider for referrals is often safest.

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	I.C.E.	Police
Home	Record audio / video Stay inside, lock door Ask for Officer ID Ask for a warrant View through window examine the warrant Remain silent/ use your red card Do not run, stay still	Record audio / video Stay inside, lock door Ask for Officer ID Ask for a warrant View through window examine the warrant Remain silent/ use your red card Do not run, stay still
Car	Record audio / video Stay in the car Ask for officer ID Ask for a warrant **Do not show foreign license or document** Do not give permission to be searched	Record audio / video Stay in the car unless asked to exit **Show U.S. or foreign driver's license** Show registration and insurance All can show red cards Remain silent, do not run Passengers remain silent "Am I free to leave? Why did you stop me?"
On the Street	Record audio / video Ask for Officer ID Ask for a warrant Remain silent/use your red card Do not run, stay still	Record audio / video Ask for Officer ID Ask for a warrant Remain silent/use your red card Do not run, stay still

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Sample ICE Safety Plan

Do not give consent to enter, do not open the door. Refer to posted instructions on inside of door. Have red card ready.

Immediately place people on notice of ICE/CBP presence. Again, do not consent to their entry.

Request warrant to conduct the enforcement action. Review the warrant, if any. If none, politely ask them to leave.

If ICE still gains entry, remain silent and to request to contact an attorney. Do not to flee, lie, or present false documents

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Common Immigration Lies

Beware!

ICE/CBP and police might **lie to you**.

All law enforcement are allowed to lie in interrogations.

IN PERSON

Investigation Lie

"We are conducting an investigation, can we ask you some questions?"

Identity Theft Lie

"Your son is a victim of identity theft, we need to talk to him."

Photo Lie

"Have seen this suspect?"

ON THE PHONE

Lost ID Lie

"We found a lost ID and think that it is yours."

Suspect Lie

"We are investigating a crime and you are a suspect."

These really mean:

Can you come to us?

OR

Can you come outside?

TIP: ICE uses these lies to get information out of people, to get inside your home, to get you to come out of your home, to make an arrest, and many other reasons.

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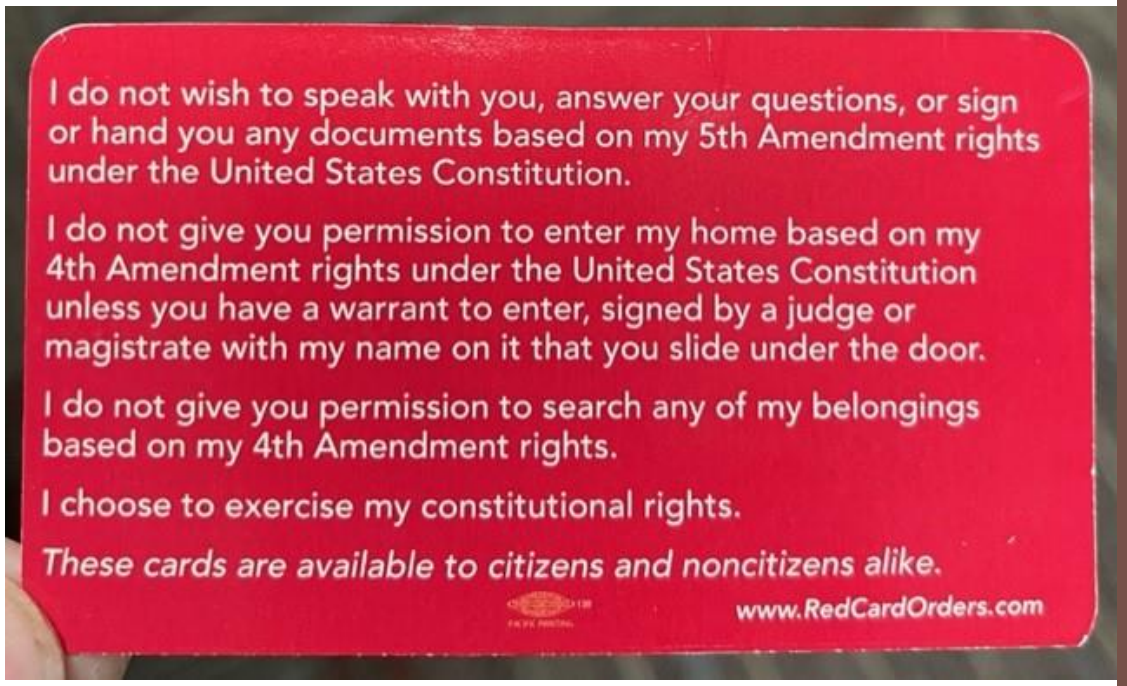
Red Card



This side makes statements in English to the officer, you can hand it to them.

This side tells you what to do in your preferred language.

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ACLU of Michigan's

Immigrant Police Misconduct Hotline

313.208.7048

Call to report harassment by any law enforcement.

**After the encounter*

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To Report Police Misconduct in GR
(e.g., being pulled over by GRPD due to immigration status)

Contact the Office of Oversight & Public Accountability (OPA)

616-456-4380

City Hall, 300 Monroe Ave NW,
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Recording/reporting guidance

*Make sure your photo and videos are being **synced** to a virtual account like the Cloud or Google photos.*

Recordings can be sent to attorneys, to immigration nonprofits, to media, and to tracking organizations such as the ICE Activity Tracker: https://www.iceinmyarea.org/

Tips for filming here: https://www.witness.org/filming-ice/

Reporting: GR Rapid Response to ICE: 616-238-0081.
https://actionnetwork.org/groups/gr-rapid-response-to-ice

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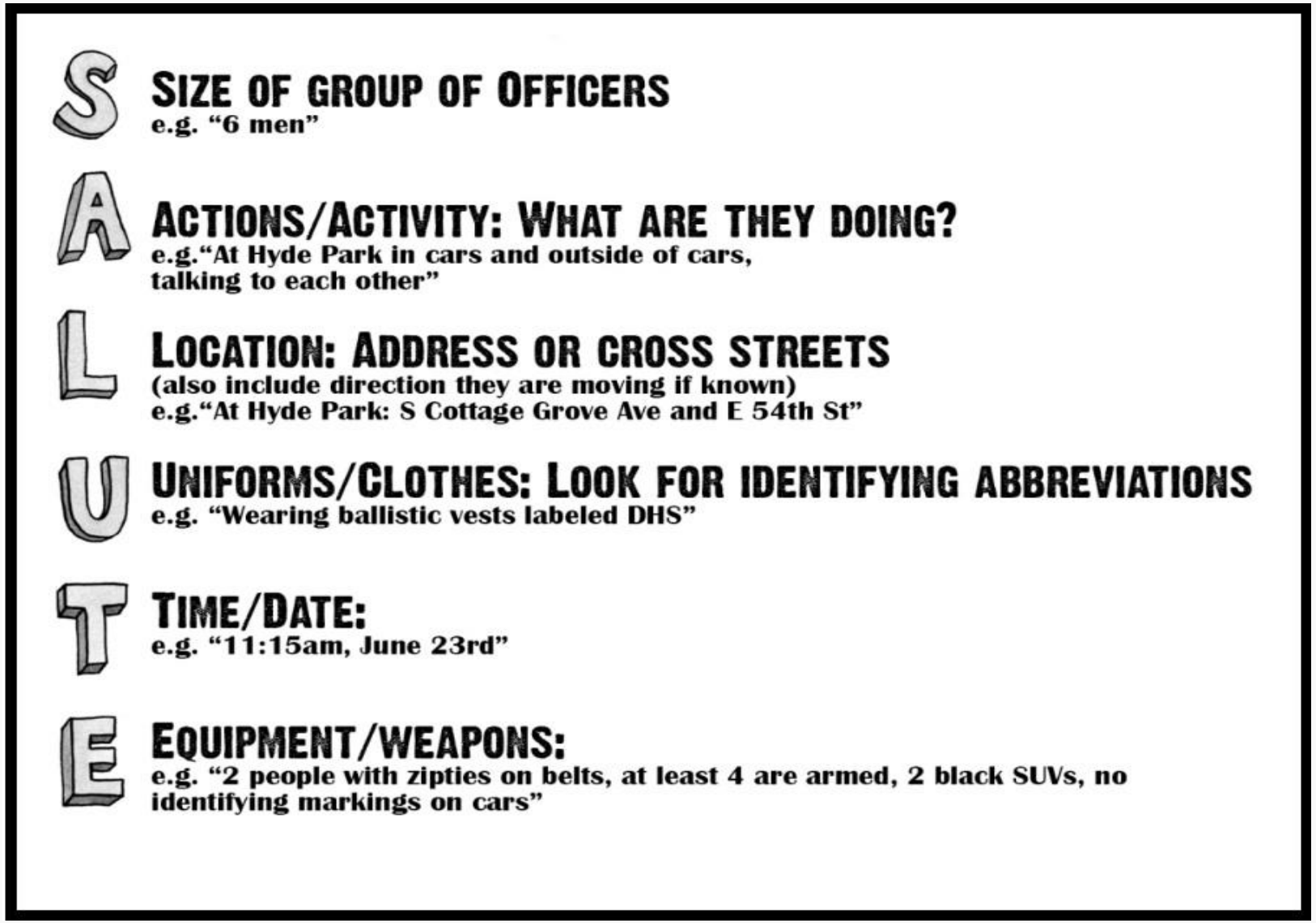
SALUTE reporting guidelines



Grand Rapids Area Immigrant Legal Services

State Bar of Michigan Lawyer Referral Service:

- Phone: (800) 968-0738
- Online: https://lrs.michbar.org/LRS-Info/Lawyer-Referral-Service
- $25 Administrative Fee / 25-Minute Consultation

Grand Rapids Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service:

- Online: https://www.grbar.org/?pg=67
- $25 Administrative Fee / 30-Minute Consultation

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Michigan Immigrant Rights Center (GR Office) – Legal services
- **Phone:** (616) 827-4080
- **Online:** https://michiganimmigrant.org/
- **Detained Individuals:** Receive MRC number in detention
- **Non-Detained Individuals:** Call 734-239-6863

Migrant Legal Aid - Legal services for migrant workers
- **Phone:** (616) 454-5055
- **Online:** https://migrantlegalaid.org/
- **Can provide referrals**

Lighthouse Immigrant Advocates (LIA) – Legal services
- **Phone:** (616) 298-8984
- **Online:** https://lia-michigan.org/

Immigration nonprofits that may provide referrals:
Immigration Law and Justice: https://www.iljmi.org/
Latin Americans United for Progress: https://laup.org/
A Glimpse of Africa: https://www.aglimpseofafrica.org/
Hispanic Center of West Michigan: https://hispanic-center.org/
Kent County New Americans: https://kentcountynewamericans.org/
Treetops Collective: https://treetopscollective.org/
GR Rapid Response to ICE: https://actionnetwork.org/groups/gr-rapid-response-to-ice
Movimiento Cosecha: https://www.lahuelga.com/

No matter what happens, you still have constitutional rights.

Be ready to assert them, even in the face of clear violations.

Questions?

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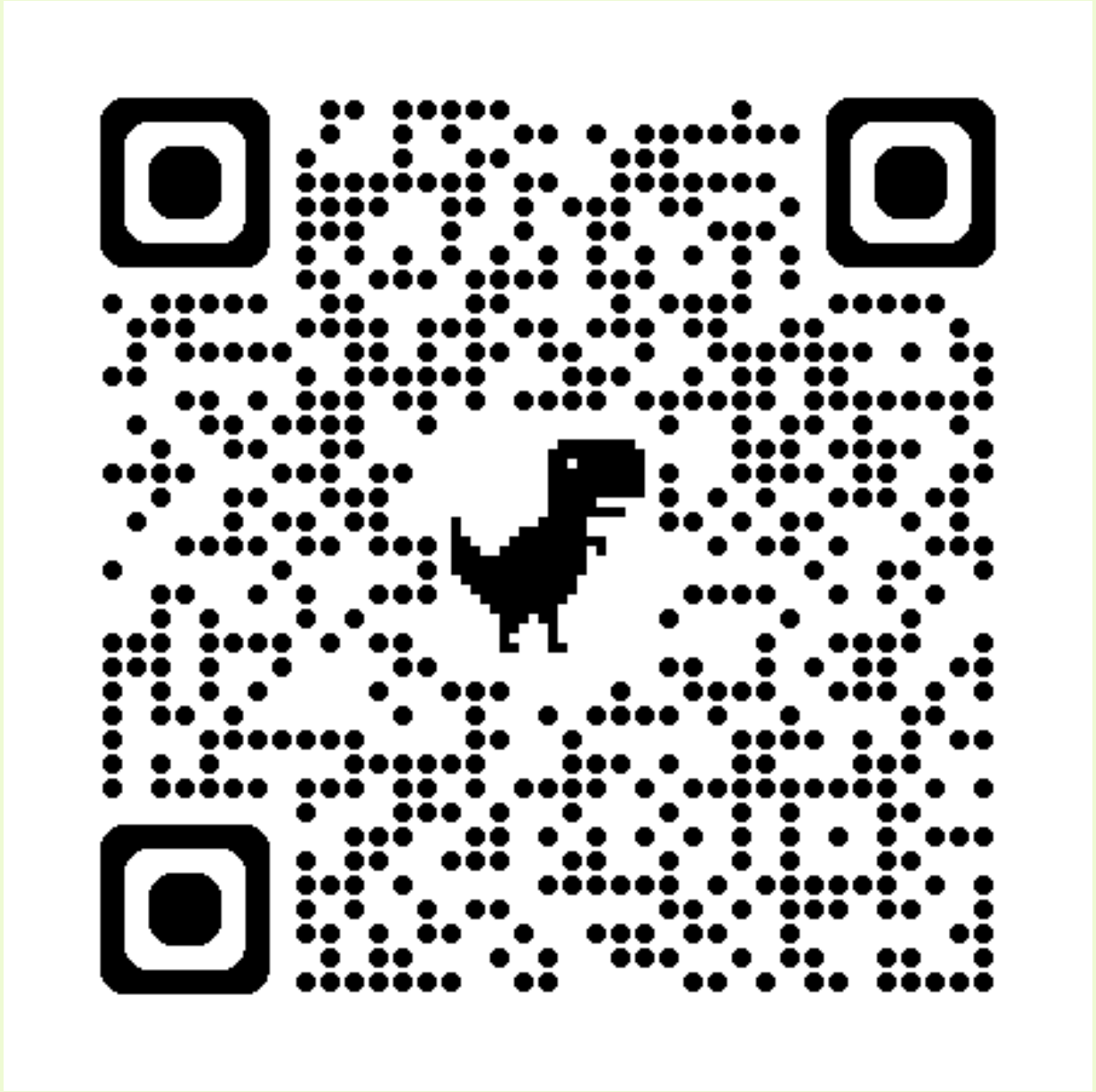
Scan with your phone

And give us feedback



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