



HOW CAN I HELP?

Many people are concerned about the safety of their communities and the security of their immigrant neighbors. But it's not always clear how to help. And if you're new to community mobilizing, you may not have the relationships and trust built up to jump right in. We've created this guide based on resources shared by EqualityMaine, ILAP, MIRC, and the Maine ACLU.

DONATE

**The University of Maine School of Law
Refugee and Human Rights Clinic:
Interpreter Funds**

- Legal support: Covering legal representation, defense attorney fees

The Maine Solidarity Fund

<https://www.mainesolidarity.org/>

- Legal support: Covering legal representation, defense attorney fees, and bail or bond.

- Emergency familial support: Supporting families with basic needs like groceries and eviction prevention during discrimination/harassment cases or when breadwinners are detained.

Mainers for Humane Immigration Freedom Fund www.mainersforhumaneimmigration.org/

- A bond fund that will allow us to respond quickly to a detained individual

Project Relief

www.projectreliefme.com/donate/

- Legal fees, shelter, basic needs

If you witness enforcement activity, call the **MAINE ICE WATCH HOTLINE** and remember **SALUTE**

Size: How many agents/vehicles?

Activity: What are they doing?

Location: Where exactly is this happening? (Exact address if possible)

Unit: What agency? (ICE, CBP, etc.)

Time: When did you see this?

Equipment: Vehicle descriptions, clothing, badges

MAINE ICE WATCH HOTLINE NUMBER

207-544-9989



FOOD SECURITY

Food for All | <https://www.foodforallservices.org>

- Volunteer opportunity: pack and/ or deliver boxes of food for community members, especially those unable to leave their homes right now.

Halal permissible foods are most important

Grains (rice, pasta etc.) | Tomato sauce | canned tomato puree

Beans (dried or canned) | Cooking oil

Sweet potatoes | Potatoes | Carrots



KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

On January 21, the Maine ACLU presented an online "Know Your Rights" training along with U.S. Magistrate Judge James Orenstein and former U.S. Attorney Joyce Vance. Link here:

<https://ilapmaine.org/know-your-rights>

LEGAL RESOURCES

(courtesy of ILAP)

Get Help for a Person Who Has Been Detained by Immigration Officials: <https://ilapmaine.org/detention>

Emergency Preparedness Planning:

<https://ilapmaine.org/prepare>

Preparing for and Responding to Immigration Enforcement Activity in Maine:

<https://www.aclumaine.org/preparingforice/>

OTHER THINGS TO KNOW:

- ICE have been seen wearing plain clothes and unmarked vehicles like Subarus. They have been posing as utility workers, MaineCare staff, and food delivery drivers.
- If you plan on delivering food to your immigrant neighbors, please be aware that also acting as an ICE verifier may inadvertently lead ICE to your neighbor's home.

KNOW YOUR PROTEST RIGHTS

1. **You don't need a permit to protest in response to breaking news or march in streets or along sidewalks**, as long as you're not obstructing traffic or access to buildings.
2. When you are lawfully present in any public space, **you have the right to photograph anything in plain view, including federal buildings and the police.**
3. If you believe your rights were violated, **write down everything you remember, get contact information for witnesses, and take photographs of any injuries.**
4. If you get stopped by the police, ask if you're free to go. If they say yes, calmly walk away.
5. If you get arrested, you have a right to ask why. Otherwise, say you wish to remain silent and ask for a lawyer. **Don't sign, say, or agree to anything without a lawyer present.**
6. If you get stopped by a member of the military or any law enforcement office at a protest, **you have the right to remain silent or to tell them that you'll only answer questions in the presence of an attorney** – no matter your citizenship or immigration status.

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[ACLUMaine.org/KnowYourRights](https://aclumaine.org/KnowYourRights)

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AMJAMBO AFRICA HAS 15 MINUTE KNOW YOUR RIGHTS VIDEOS

Recorded in Swahili, Lingala, Kinyarwanda, French, Spanish.

Link here: <https://www.amjamboafrika.com/know-your-rights/>

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