



Organizational Letter of Support for New York for All

Dear New York State Legislators:

We are a network of advocacy organizations, direct service providers, grassroots organizers, faith based groups and more that have come together to combat xenophobia and racism and to support immigrant New Yorkers. Some of us are immigrants ourselves or come from mixed status families.

We write to urge you to please do everything in your power to pass New York for All this legislative session.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs Border Patrol (CBP) target, demonize, and demoralize immigrants and separate families. Many immigrant New Yorkers and their families live with fear in their everyday life. Fear that any interaction with local, state, or municipal entities— a traffic stop, attending school, or visiting a public hospital for care – could lead to being detained and torn away from their family. In fact, we have seen this happen right here in New York state to our community members.

Furthermore, when local agencies work with ICE, it leads not only to unconstitutional racial profiling, but also to the misuse of our local tax dollars and resources to serve the agenda of those who want to stoke fear and divide us.

The New York for All Act is part of the solution.

If passed, New York for All would prohibit all local law enforcement and state agencies from conspiring with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Patrol (CBP), or participating in its cruelty.

This is common sense legislation that protects the rights of immigrant New Yorkers and enhances public safety for everyone by ensuring state and local government employees across New York, including law enforcement officers, do not divert local resources to enable immigration enforcement. All New Yorkers benefit when state and local governments use their limited resources to serve their communities, rather than carrying out a federal immigration enforcement agenda.

The New York for All Act would prohibit state and local officers and employees from:

- enforcing civil immigration law themselves,
- sharing sensitive information with ICE or CBP,



- allowing ICE or CBP to access public facilities without a judicial warrant,
- entering into 287(g) agreements to deputize officers to work on behalf of ICE,
- inquiring about a person's immigration status, nationality, or country of origin,
- using ICE or CBP as interpreters, and
- allowing people in custody to be interviewed by ICE without notice of their rights.

Additionally, state agencies and local law enforcement agencies would also be required to record and report on their interactions with ICE and make annual reports public.

It's time for New York to get out of the business of immigration enforcement.

All New Yorkers, regardless of immigration status, want to lead open lives, participate in their communities, provide for their family, and access health care without intimidation.

It's time to pass New York for All.

Sincerely,

1. AFRICAN COMMUNITIES TOGETHER
2. Alianza Agrícola
3. Amend4Rights
4. Amnesty
5. Arab American Association of NY
6. Aspiration
7. The Bronx Defenders
8. Brooklyn Defenders
9. Capital District Border Watch
10. Centro Corazon de Maria INC
11. Chinese-American Planning Council, Inc
12. Church Women United in New York State
13. Coalition for A District Alternative



14. Decoding Stigma
15. Defenders Clinic at CUNY School of Law
16. Defending Rights & Dissent
17. Demand Progress
18. EFF-Austin
19. Electronic Fronter Foundation
20. El Puente de Williamsburg
21. Engage, New York Metro Chapter
22. Envision Freedom Fund
23. Fight for the Future
24. Freedom To Thrive
25. FWD.us
26. Grassroots Advocates for Neighborhood Groups and Solutions
(G.A.N.G.S. Coalition)
27. Her Justice
28. Hispanic Heritage Council of Western New York Inc.
29. Jim Owles Liberal Democratic Club
30. Justice Committee of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Albany
31. Justice for Migrant Families
32. LatinoJustice PRLDEF
33. The Legal Aid Society
34. Long Island Jobs with Justice
35. Long Island Immigrant Alliance
36. Long Island Social Justice Action Network
37. LSA Family Health Service



38. Make the Road NY
39. Muslim Community Network
40. Mixteca
41. National Action Network
42. National Lawyers Guild - New York City Chapter
43. New Hour
44. New York Civil Liberties Union (NYCLU)
45. The New York Immigration Coalition (NYIC)
46. New York State Council of Churches
47. Northeast Dutchess Immigrant Services
48. No Ethics In Big Tech
49. NY02 Indivisible
50. NYU Center on Race, Inequality, and the Law
51. Oakland Privacy
52. OLA of Eastern Long Island
53. Ozkar Services
54. PDX Privacy
55. Police Reform Organizing Project (PROPO)
56. Policing and Social Justice Project
57. Rural Migrant Ministry, Inc
58. Restore The Fourth NYC
59. Rochester Rapid Response Network
60. RootsAction.org
61. Saratoga Immigration Coalition
62. Secure Justice
63. Sisters of Charity of New York



64. Sisters of Mercy of the Americas
65. Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Albany
66. Sisters of ST. Joseph of Rochester
67. Stony Brook MSW Candidate
68. S.T.R.O.N.G. Youth, Inc.
69. Surveillance Resistance Lab
70. Surveillance Technology Oversight Project
71. TakeRoot Justice
72. The Women's Diversity Network
73. United We Dream
74. Vera Institute of Justice
75. Volunteer Lawyers Project of CNY
76. We Are Not Afraid Community Resource Center
77. Worker Justice Center of New York
78. YAMA Action
79. Yemeni American Merchants Association