

Contra Costa County TRUTH ACT FORUM 2026



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The Contra Costa Immigrant Rights Alliance (CCIRA) is a coalition of community, faith, advocacy, and immigrant-led organizations that formed in the Spring of 2017 to help make Contra Costa a county that welcomes, honors, and protects the rights of immigrant members of our communities



OVERVIEW OF CCIRA



MISSION

Ensure the immigrant community has safe, healthy, and free lives. We pursue that mission by advocating for policies, campaigns, and resources that safeguard the rights of all immigrant community members.

GOALS

- Improve access to resources, services
- Build power for immigrant communities
- Interrupt the crimmigration system
- Promote dignity, freedom, safety and health of our immigrant communities.

VALUES

- Build immigrant rights
- Support & protect each other
- Honor and fight for dignity of all
- Center and be led by directly impacted
- Fight against state tools that seek to deport, surveil, and brutalize our communities.
- Recognize history of anti-Blackness

Community concerns about local law enforcement working with ICE

- Unnecessarily **expends local resources on immigration enforcement**, which is not a responsibility of Sheriff's department
- **Fosters distrust between immigrant communities and local law enforcement.** Makes immigrant communities view local law enforcement and ICE as the same
- **Opens local law enforcement up to liability**, which means tax dollars are used to pay out settlements.
- Can result in the **permanent separation of community members from their families** and intergenerational trauma. Black, brown & AAPI folks most harmed by mass incarceration and criminalization suffer the most.

Changes in Federal Immigration Enforcement

- Increase in unlawful immigration enforcement tactics
- Diversion of federal agencies to conduct immigration enforcement
- Federal funding expanded
- Complete disregard for the rule of law and due process rights
- Increase in interior family separation
- Deportation to dangerous third countries

Further TRUTH Act Engagement

ILRC will maintain engagement with the County, if necessary, on any unlawful actions discovered in relation to the TRUTH Act data presented by the Sheriff.

CCIRA'S RECOMMENDATIONS



- STOP responding to ICE Notifications altogether
- Join other counties in the Bay in passing a county ordinance to end all ICE cooperation

Thank you

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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