



RAPID RESPONSE CHECKLIST

This resource contains information, tools, and a set of steps to take for those concerned about the possibility of detention or deportation.

GETTING STARTED

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Seek Legal Assistance

Reach out for legal assistance to determine if there are legal avenues of relief to pursue.

- Asian Law Caucus: (415) 896-1701
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Los Angeles (AAAJ-LA) - intake lines for the Southern CA area: English: (888) 349-9695 | Vietnamese: (800) 267-7395 | Khmer: (800) 867-3126
- Pro-Bono Legal Help: bit.ly/searac_probono_legal
- Locate an immigration attorney through the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) *AILA does not offer pro bono service* ailalawyer.org

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Complete SEARAC's Advocacy Data Collection Form:

bit.ly/SEARACadvodataform

This form seeks to compile information about families and community members impacted by detention and deportation. Stories collected will inform and support SEARAC's long-term advocacy efforts to change unjust immigration and detention laws. Complete this form if you

- need help finding a lawyer/ local organizations that can help with your case
- need help reaching out to your member of Congress
- are interested in getting your story out to the press
- would like to share your story to support SEARAC's fight to change unjust immigration and detention laws

After SEARAC receives your response, a staff person will reach out to you as soon as possible, but not exceeding five business days.

Impacted Vietnamese community members: In addition to completing SEARAC's Advocacy Data Collection Form, contact **VietLead** at **(267) 713-9089** for assistance.

Other organizations that may help:

South: Southeast Asian Coalition (SEAC) (North Carolina): (980) 202-2358
info@seacvillage.org

Northern California: VietUnity-PACT: (408) 858-1311
VietUnity East Bay: (267) 269-709

Southern California: APIROC facebook.com/APIROC

East Coast: AARW - Dorchester Organizing & Training Initiative: (617) 942-8178
VietLead: (267) 713-9089
Mekong-NYC: (347) 916-4801

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Create your Family Preparedness Plan

Every family should have a family preparedness plan, particularly if you or your loved one is at risk of deportation. If you already have a plan, be sure to review it with everyone involved in the plan.

- Immigrant Defense Project: bit.ly/IDP_emergencypreparedness (English and Spanish)
- ILRC Family Preparedness Plan: bit.ly/IRLC_familypreparedness

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Stay Connected

If you would like to receive updates, resources, and find community support, join our email list at searac.org and connect with us on social media at facebook.com/searac

CHECKLIST

Review the "Getting Started" section and check off each completed item applicable to you or your loved one's situation.

Contact legal counsel



Complete Advocacy Data Collection Form



Sign up for email updates



Create and review your emergency family plan



Connect with us on Facebook



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Know Your Rights: *Everyone has basic rights no matter who is President:* bit.ly/everyonehascertainbasicrights

Know Your Rights for Refugees: bit.ly/RefugeesKYR

AAAJ-LA: Know your rights resources in languages: bit.ly/aaaj-la_kyr
(Khmer and Vietnamese)

RESOURCE GUIDES

IDP ICE Raids Toolkit: bit.ly/idp_iceraids_toolkit

Resource Guide for Southeast Asian Americans Facing Criminal Deportation: bit.ly/searac_criminaldeportation_guide