

Statement from Napa County Law Enforcement Agencies

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As local law enforcement leaders in Napa County, we are acutely aware of concerns and fears some members of the communities we serve are experiencing related to immigration enforcement. It is important that we reiterate our commitment to public service and safety of all our residents, regardless of immigration status.

Our primary goal is safety. A safe community needs effective law enforcement agencies. To be effective, we need trust and cooperation between all residents and the law enforcement sworn to protect them. There are some things we'd like you to know about the work we do and don't do on your behalf as it relates to immigration enforcement.

We don't:

- Have any constitutional authority, jurisdiction, or powers of arrest on federal immigration violations;
- Detain or question people about immigration documentation;
- Determine immigration status to qualify victims of crime for services;
- Assist in immigration enforcement investigations;
- Use agency resources for immigration enforcement;
- Use ICE agents as interpreters.

We do:

- Want to encourage anyone who needs our services or has an emergency to call 911;
- Serve anyone and everyone in need without regard to immigration status;
- Scrupulously comply with SB 54, known as the California Values Act, AB 2792, known as the Truth Act and AB 4, known as the Trust Act;
- Want to encourage the spread of truthful information within our community about law enforcement activities, when possible.

Our policies tightly align with all California state laws that are designed to protect the rights of all residents, including those who have immigration concerns. We do not want the fear of immigration status to inhibit members of our communities from interacting with any member of our respective teams or, more importantly from reaching out if they are in an emergency or find themselves in need of our services.

We chose these professions because we wanted to dedicate our lives to the service and protection of all residents, guests and visitors in our Napa Valley.



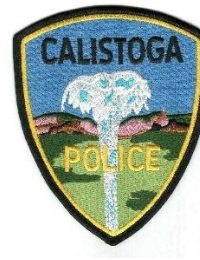
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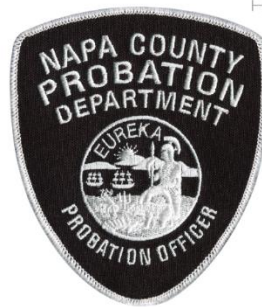
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