

ICE Out of Monroe County

#ICEOutofMoCo #iceoutofmoco

- On January 25, 2017, President Trump’s Executive Order 13768 broadened “interior enforcement” priorities to target **ALL** undocumented immigrants for deportation *regardless of their individual circumstances*.
- In the three years since, this massive expansion has devastated immigrant families and communities around the US—*including right here in Indiana’s Monroe County*.
- MoCo Sheriff Brad Swain **voluntarily collaborates with ICE** (Immigration Customs and Enforcement) to detain our neighbors and friends. **These detentions are unnecessary, unconstitutional, and immoral.** We need to stop them NOW.

YOU Can Get ICE Out of MoCo

1. **WRITE your County Commissioners and County Council Representatives.** Use the sample letter and contact information below. **NOW** is the time.
2. **Broadcast #iceoutofmoco and #IceOutofMoCo on all your social media accounts.** Spread the word **NOW**.
3. **Learn more** by exploring the sites listed at the end of this document.

Sample Letter

[DATE]

Dear _____:

I have recently learned that the Monroe County Sheriff is helping ICE detain and deport our community members. I disagree with his policy.

Immigration enforcement should be left to the immigration authorities and should not be conducted by our local law enforcement. This type of cooperation hurts our community by forcing our neighbors to live in fear. Our neighbors, no matter where they are from, should feel safe in our community.

The Sheriff's cooperation with ICE can also harm the trust that immigrants feel in our law enforcement. Studies have shown that when law enforcement authorities work with ICE, immigrants feel afraid to cooperate in investigations or report crimes against them. This reluctance will harm our entire community.

I do not want family separation to happen in our community. I ask that you work with other Monroe County elected officials to prevent the Sheriff from continuing this policy. Please stop funding the jail's cooperation with ICE.

Sincerely,

[YOUR NAME]

[ADDRESS]

Mail Your Letters to:

Commissioner [name]

Monroe County Board of Commissioners

Monroe County Courthouse, 100 W. Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington IN 47404

([Commissioners](#) approve payroll + claims, receives reports + legislation, signs resolutions)

Council Member [name]

Monroe County Council

Monroe County Courthouse, 100 W. Kirkwood Avenue, Bloomington IN 47404

([Country Council](#) controls MoCo's budget, funds, + taxes)

Find your district's representatives on the Board of Commissioners + County Council on the

[Monroe County Voter Precincts Interactive Map](#)

Want to Learn More?

1. Read Trump's Executive Order 13768 which targets ALL undocumented immigrants. <https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/immigration-interior-enforcement-executive-order>
2. Watch "The Border is Here" presentation and discussion organized by the Immigration Justice Task Force. The event took place November 6, 2018 at the Monroe County Public Library. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vNYBe1RzRVM&t=2245s>
3. Read the ACLU (American Civil Liberty Union) Backgrounder on ICE detainer requests. https://www.aclu.org/sites/default/files/field_document/aclu_backgrounder_on_detainers_1.31.19_-_public.pdf
4. Stay updated with the Immigration Justice Task Force on [FACEBOOK](#).