What to do if you think your loved one has been detained by ICE in Alabama

VIA Post-Detention Helpline: 205-538-3124

1. Locate the Person

Search through ICE Online Detainee Locator

- (Select language via drop-down at top of page)
- You can either search by A-Number, OR by first and last name (required), country of birth (required), DOB (optional)

Search county jails (used for "temporary holding"): Look at online rosters, call booking agents

- Pickens County | 205-367-2000
- Lowndes County | 334-548-2222
- Etowah County | 256-549-5408
- Montgomery County | 334-832-4980
- Tallapoosa County | 256-825-4264
- Baldwin County | 251-972-6802
- Mobile Metro Jail | 251-574-6412 (Usually, people detained here are immediately transported to the Baldwin County Corrections Center in Bay Minette)

Contact Local ICE Field Office ("Sub-Offices")

- Birmingham | 205-917-8700
- Gadsden | 256-543-8154
- Montgomery | 334-260-6305

Contact Consulate of Person's Home Country

- Mexican Consulate in ATL | 404-266-2233

2. If they are detained by ICE:

Find which ICE detention center (most people detained in AL will be transferred to LA within 3-7 days)

  - Winn Correctional Center (LA)
  - Jackson Parish Correctional Center (AKA South Louisiana ICE Processing Center) For Jackson Parish, *in-person visits are 7 days a week 8am-4pm, need government ID*

- **Search Detention Centers by State:** English | Spanish
- **Create an account for phone and commissary** (Companies will vary by location- verify with booking agent)
  - InmateSales (website and app)
    - For Pickens County Jail: The County Jail website says they use a different company, but they actually use InmateSales.
    - Can make audio calls through this app. Do NOT add money for video calls because the person detained will likely be transferred before your background can be approved.
  - JailATM (website)
    - Can call El Refugio for help adding funds to phone accounts, but you'll need to know full name, country of origin and A-number
    - El Refugio FAQ's

3. Look up immigration court hearing information (EIOR Case System)

- Online: Spanish | English
- Or call 1-800-898-7180

4.Find a trusted immigration attorney

- ACIJ List: English | Spanish
- ALIRP List: English | Spanish
- Immigrationlawhelp.org
- Immigrationadvocates.org
- handsunitedor.org/ (support in immigration court for individuals who are deaf)

5.Reach out to local groups for support

- ACIJ | 205-945-0777
- ALIRP | 205-223-1633 (Birmingham area)
- HICA | 205-942-5505 (Birmingham area)
- La Casita | 205-876-8190 (Birmingham area)
- Shut Down Etowah | 256-223-3752

6.Locate and retrieve the vehicle

- Check site of detention / hire own tow truck if don't have keys
- Check impound lot of local Police Department
- Check local tow companies
- Weil Wrecker (most commonly used in Birmingham)
- Online Vehicle Search Tool | 205-855-0282
- May need: Proof of ownership, vehicle info (i.e. plate number/VIN), proof of insurance, valid driver's license.
- Recommend sending someone who has secure immigration status to retrieve vehicles from police impounds.
- If you are sending someone to retrieve your vehicle on your behalf, you may be required to complete and sign a Power of Attorney authorizing that person to act on your behalf.

7. Refer to Mutual Aid resources

- ACIJ https://linktr.ee/alabamacij

    - JailATM (website)
        - Used at Winn Correctional in LA for audio and video calls, but NOT for commissary funds
        - Need social security number to create an account
    - ConnectNetwork (website) Guide Guide2
    - Correct Solutions (website and app) Guide
    - Access Corrections (website and app) Guide
    - GettingOut (website and app): Audio and video calls: Guide
        - Used at Stewart Correctional in Lumpkin, GA
- **For Stewart Correctional:**
    - In-person visits at Stewart: only one visit per week, but reset on Sunday. So can go and see on Sat and covers Sunday.

- El Refugio (404-480-4780) is a community resource for families who have loved ones detained at Stewart. Hospitality house where families can stay over the weekend for free. It opens on Sat at 9am, near Lumpkin library on Main Street.

- Mutual Aid funds: Call ACIJ 205-945-0777
- Birmingham area grocery delivery & accompaniment: Call or text 205-223-9084
- Legal/Utility Funds: Call HICA 205-942-5505
- Refer to legal advocacy support (Habeas / Civil Rights violations / Litigation / Power of Attorney and Legal Guardianship) Contact ACIJ for upcoming Power or Attorney Clinics.
- Baldwin County grocery delivery (IFAN): Text: 251-422-8496

8. Bail Considerations, ie Letters of Support, criminal history records

- For impactful letters of support contact employers, teachers, and friends of the detained person and ask them to write letters of support for their immigration case. Highlight their character and benefit they bring to the community. Send the letter to their immigration attorney.

9. Other Guides / Resources that may be helpful:

- National Immigration Law Center
- Habeas Project
- DetentionHelp.org
- Guide to find your loved one in Baldwin County and Mobile
- How to search for your loved one in Bay Minette Jail