

WHY WAS THE VOICE OFFICE ESTABLISHED?

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) established the Victims Of Immigration Crime Engagement (VOICE) Office to acknowledge and serve the needs of crime victims and their families who have been impacted by crimes committed by individuals with a nexus to immigration.

WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

Until now, victims of immigration-related crimes have not had a government resource that could provide timely information on their cases. State and local officials within the criminal justice system may be unable to assist victims with detailed immigration-related questions. The VOICE Office will work to ensure victims and their families have access to information and will offer assistance explaining the immigration removal process.

WHO CAN VOICE HELP?

- Victims of crimes
- Witnesses of crimes
- Individuals with a legal responsibility to act on behalf of a victim or witness (e.g., attorneys, parents, legal guardians)
- Individuals acting at the request of a victim or witness

HOW CAN I GET HELP?

ICE has established a toll-free hotline staffed with operators who will triage calls to ensure victims receive the support they need. The number is **1-855-48-VOICE** or 1-855-488-6423. (Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8am-8pm Eastern)

WHAT KIND OF HELP CAN I EXPECT TO RECEIVE?

- Assistance signing-up to receive automated custody status information about an alien in custody (DHS-VINE).
- Additional criminal or immigration history may be available about an alien to victims or their families.
- Access to social service professionals available to refer victims to local service providers.

IMPORTANT LINKS:

ICE VOICE Office website:
www.ice.gov/voice

DHS-VINE:
<https://vinelink.dhs.gov/>

Department of Justice
Office for Victims of Crime:
www.ovc.gov

Other toll-free hotlines (domestic
violence, sexual assault, suicide
prevention):
www.ovc.gov/help/tollfree.html



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