



Red Cards



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All people in the United States, regardless of immigration status, have certain rights and protections under the U.S. Constitution. The Red Cards were created to help people assert their rights and defend themselves against constitutional violations. Knowing and asserting rights can make a huge difference in many situations, such as when ICE agents go to a home. Red cards provide critical information on how to assert these rights, along with an explanation to ICE agents that the individual is indeed asserting

their rights.

Usted tiene derechos constitucionales.

- **NO ABRA LA PUERTA SI UN AGENTE DEL SERVICIO DE INMIGRACION ESTA TOCANDO A LA PUERTA.**
- **NO CONTESTE NINGUNA PREGUNTA DEL AGENTE DEL SERVICIO DE INMIGRACION SI EL TRATA DE HABLAR CON USTED.** Usted tiene derecho a mantenerse callado. No tiene que dar su nombre al agente. Si está en el trabajo, pregunte al agente si está libre para salir y si el agente dice que sí, váyase. Usted tiene derecho de hablar con un abogado.
- **ENTREGUE ESTA TARJETA AL AGENTE. NO ABRA LA PUERTA**

I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.

I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name on it that you slide under the door. I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights.



I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.

These cards are available to citizens and noncitizens alike.

Ordering Rights Cards

To order your free red cards, please send your request to the following email. Include your name, organization, address, and the amount of cards you would like: redcards@ilrc.org (<mailto:redcards@ilrc.org>)

A Bay Area-specific version of the Know Your Rights Card is available to non-profit organizations within the following nine counties: San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Solano, Sonoma, and Napa. [Please \(mailto:Please\)](mailto:Please) note in your email if you are distributing red cards in one of these counties.

An Update on Ordering Cards (11/15/2016)

Since the election, we know many of you are anxious to get these know-your-rights resources for your communities & families. We're still sending the cards out, but due to this sudden & unexpected high demand, we are currently overwhelmed by requests. We will still send cards out to everyone, but it may take a couple of weeks to get them out. We thank you for your patience. To help us most efficiently fulfill requests for cards:

Please only send one request. If you don't hear from us in a couple of weeks, feel free to follow up on your order.

Please keep the requests short and simple & please no calls. We don't have enough staff capacity to respond to red card requests in real time to requests.

Please format your address as you would type it on an envelope to help us easily paste into mailing labels.

Please ask for the quantity you think you can distribute within the next few months. We will send as much of your request as we can, and you're welcome to ask for more when you need them.

Please note the cards are only available with the know-your-rights information in Spanish on one side, and the assertion of rights intended for law enforcement in English on the other side.

Using Your Red Cards

Please reference the below illustrations for examples of the Red Cards in action. Special thanks to CultureStrike for these illustrations!

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