GEO – Aurora ICE Processing Center

Location: 3130 North Oakland Street Aurora, CO, 80010

Phone number: (303) 361-6612



Contacting an Immigrant in Detention – Individuals in detention cannot receive incoming calls. If you need to get in touch with someone who is detained to leave an urgent message, you must call (303) 361-6612 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and leave the individual's full name, alien registration number and your name and telephone number where you can be reached. The individual will be given your message.

Send Money to an Immigrant in Detention – The money you send can be used for three purposes. One: Commissary (for extra food, coffee etc.) Two: For phone usage. Three: Money they can take when they leave. To send money to an immigrant in detention, do the following: Purchase a money order made out to the immigrant and include their A# on the money order. **Then,** mail the money order to the detention center, and address the envelope as follows:

Immigrant Name A####### 3130 Oakland St. Aurora, CO 80010

Visitation – Visitation is assigned by housing units. Please contact the facility at 303-361-6612 prior to coming for a visit to determine their housing assignment and visitation time.

- Adult visitors must present a valid, verifiable government-issued identification card to enter the facility.
- Minors who are visiting the facility must be accompanied by an adult guardian (18 years or older). Minors must not be left unaccompanied.
- Immigrants in detention are allotted one hour for visitation. A maximum of two adults and two children may visit at any one time.
- All visitors must arrive 45 minutes prior to the scheduled visit time.
- Anyone who does not have status in the United Stated should not visit their loved one at the Aurora Detention Center. In order to avoid any contact with ICE, it is best that your family member calls you from the detention center.

Taking Supplies to an Immigrant who is going to get Deported – First, call GEO (303-361-6612) to see if the person is allowed to receive a backpack yet (they can only get one if they already have an order of deportation). If the guard says yes, then you can ask what days/times you can bring the backpack (they frequently change).

The backpack can include one of each of these: shirt, pants, coat, socks, underwear, gloves, hat, shoes. They don't allow anything else like money, toiletries, snacks or books.

If you bring clothes to the detention center, a guard will need to review and document everything that is given to the immigrant, which usually takes a bit of time. Then the guard will mark the bag with the immigrant's A number and send it with them the day they are deported.

Posting Bond – Delivery bonds are posted when a person has been taken into ICE custody and placed into removal proceedings while in the United States. The person posting the bond must show proof of identity (valid Government-issued photo identification, passport, military ID, LPR card, driver's license, etc.). This person (the obligor) is responsible for ensuring that the individual presents them self before an officer or representative of this agency whenever a request is made.

In Colorado, bonds for immigrants detained by ICE may be posted at the ICE ERO bond acceptance office: GEO Aurora Detention Facility (3130 North Oakland Street Aurora, CO, 80010 | (303) 361-0723) Monday through Friday (except public holidays) between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., local time. You must have the last name of the detained individual and his or her alien registration number before calling. Acceptable forms of payment to post a bond are money orders, cashier's checks or certified checks. For all bonds \$10,000 and over, the only accepted method of payment is a single cashier or certified check. Payments must be made payable to "U.S. Department of Homeland Security" or "Immigration and Customs Enforcement."

How can I communicate with immigrants in detention – In order to send messages to someone who is detained, they must have money in their account. You can either deposit money to a detained individual's account through the Kiosk in the detention center or online through Getting Out.

How to use the Getting Out Online Platform

- Once you make an online account, you must have the last name and A-number of the
 immigrant. If the last name is not valid, you can use the <u>ICE Detainee Locator</u> to see how
 the system has written their name.
- You will create a new contact with the detained individual's information.
- You will then select "Deposit" and you will choose the individual's name from your contacts. You must then deposit at least ten dollars into their "Inmate Account".
- Then select "Deposit" → "My Account" and make a deposit money into your account. This is important because each message costs 25 cents per person to send and to receive.
- Select "Contacts", click on contact and select "Message"
- Once you send a message, the immigrant will not be able to see the message until he or she "Approves" you as a contact.

What resources are available for immigrants who are being deported?

- The American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) <u>has compiled extensive resources</u> in English and Spanish for folks who are being deported to Mexico, Honduras, El Salvador or Guatemala.
- <u>Life After Deportation</u> is a guide that gives options for folks who are being deported to Mexico. The target audience is for people who grew up in the US and are being deported to a country that is unfamiliar to them.
- This survival guide gives guidance to immigrants who are being deported to Cambodia.
- Alternative Chance / Chans Altenativ offers guidance for folks who are being deported to Haiti

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