**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS**

**JUVENILES & IMMIGRATION**

**IF IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS INTERVIEW YOU, REMEMBER:**

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**Consulting with an attorney BEFORE you answer questions is important because:**

You may be eligible for a Green Card or other status if you have:

* + been abused, abandoned, or neglected & have an open juvenile court case;
	+ been abused by an LPR or USC citizen parent or spouse;
	+ been the victim of a crime;
	+ been force to work for little/no pay, or are under 18 and in the sex industry; or
	+ Lawful Permanent or U.S. Citizen Family Members.

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT**

 **¡IMPORTANT! ¡The information you share can be used to deport you or members of your family!**

**You can ask to speak to an attorney before you answer questions related to your immigration status:**

* A list of free legal service providers MUST be given to you; and
* Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) MUST permit you to make phone calls to legal counsel, relatives, and your consulate; and
* ICE MUST provide you with a notice of your rights (Form I-770) and it MUST be explained to you in a language you understand.

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**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO SIGN DOCUMENTS**

**If you have an immigration “HOLD,” ICE must take you into custody within 48 hours of your release from the Juvenile Justice System:**

* If you remain in custody for more than 48 hours, ICE MUST give you a “Notice to Appear” – a documents that tells you why they want to deport you.
* If you do not receive a “Notice to Appear,” you have the right to request your release.
* If you are under 18, within 78 hours of being taken into immigration custody, ICE MUST release you to a parent or other relative, or transfer you to a youth shelter of the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO AN IMMIGRATION HEARING**

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* Most of the time, you cannot be deported before you speak to an Immigration Judge.
* At the hearing, you have the opportunity to contest the charges against you and present a defense to remain in the United States.