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**MESSAGE FROM THE PASADENA POLICE  
REGARDING FEDERAL IMMIGRATION VIOLATIONS**

**PASADENA, CA** –The Pasadena Police Department does not enforce criminal violations related to the immigration status of persons in our community. As guided by Police Department Policy 428- It is the expectation that Pasadena Police Department members will enforce the law equally and will not engage in law enforcement activities based solely on someone's immigration status.

To clarify further as it relates to interaction with agents from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Policy 428.5 states, Requests by ICE, or other federal agency, for assistance from the Department should be directed to a supervisor. The Department may provide to ICE or other federal agency the same, available, ancillary support services, such as traffic control or peacekeeping efforts, to protect the general public as the Department would provide based upon an incident dispatch made on complaint or request of any member of the public or inter-agency assist. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Department shall not directly assist ICE in investigating, detaining or arresting individuals solely for violations of federal immigration law. The Department shall cooperate with ICE to the extent required by law and in efforts to investigate and to apprehend individuals in the United States that present national security concerns involving terrorism or transnational criminal activity such as human, drug or weapon trafficking.

To view the Pasadena Police Department's Immigration Policy in its entirety, visit the Pasadena Police Department's Web Page at:

<https://www.cityofpasadena.net/police/about/departments-policies/> and click on Chapter 4 of Patrol Operations, Policy 428.

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