



# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WHEN PROTESTING

*"INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A THREAT TO JUSTICE EVERYWHERE."  
-DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.*

## PARTICIPATION DURING PROTESTS

If you are an individual who is undocumented, and want to participate in community organizing including protesting events, please be sure to be aware of the following safety tips:

- Do not bring any personal documents with you that might indicate your immigrant status as it might place you at risk.
- Carry the contact number for organizations that may be able to provide legal services for protestors.
- NYIC recommends identifying an immigration attorney you're able to get in contact with quickly in case of an arrest.
- In the event that you are approached by police, do not answer questions related to your immigration status
- Make sure that someone in your family or a close friend knows where you are.
- Always bring spare cash in the event of an emergency.
- If you are able to, do not bring your phone with you. If you need to have it then place it on airplane mode, turn off face ID, and add a password that you will remember but will not easily be accessed by the police. Police officers need a warrant to unlock your phone.

## PROTESTING DO'S & DONT'S

### DO HAVE :

- ID, Cash, Power Bank, and quarters for precinct phone calls
- Face Mask, Hand Sanitizer, Small First aid kit, Water to remain hydrated, Washcloth
- Medications such as asthma inhalers.
- A buddy or someone that knows where you are at all times
- Emergency contact numbers written on your arm or memorized
- Only Optional: gas masks, eye goggles, milk in case someone gets pepper sprayed
- Phone numbers to attorney if arrested

### DO NOT HAVE:

- Valuables
- Don't wear descriptive clothing or show any tattoos or distinctive marks. Wear Layer clothing/solid colors.
- Contact Lenses
- Please be sure that you are not carrying anything that could lead to arrest.
- Police will remove belts & shoe laces if arrested

### IF YOU SEE SOMEONE GETTING ARRESTED/POLICE VIOLENCE:

- Take out your phone and film it. Stay a reasonable distance from police.
- Ask the arrested person to shout their full name and birthday. Write it down so you can find them in the precinct. Get this information to a lawyer.
- Anything you post online can criminalize protesters, so be wise about content you spread.
- Publicizing footage puts the arrested protestors in more danger.
- If you film an arrest, forward footage to the lawyer representing any arrested protestors.
- Always forward information to attorneys representing arrested protestors.