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CRUELTY IS THE POINT:

How Trump's Immigration
Agenda Endangers Children

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Trump Administration's ruthless mass deportation campaign has had a profound and devastating impact on American communities. Nowhere is this reckless disregard for constitutional rights, safety, and decency more apparent than in the Administration's treatment of the most vulnerable among us, children.

The Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations and House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform minority staffs ("the Committees") together sought to uncover the scope and scale of the violence and trauma being brought upon children by the Trump Administration's immigration agenda. Relying upon publicly available reports, the Committees reviewed the cases of 128 children who have been injured, left unattended, or otherwise put at direct risk of harm as a result of Department of Homeland Security (DHS) actions. Many of these children are American citizens. This includes at least:

- Eight children under 18 who have been physically restrained or assaulted by DHS agents and 20 others who have been pepper sprayed, including at least one infant under seven months old;
- Ten children who have required medical attention as a direct result of their interaction with DHS agents;
- Ten children who were left unattended as a result of DHS's detention of their parents, one of whom was a one-year-old child left in a car seat as agents drove the car away;
- Eleven children who have been used as bait to try to lure their non-citizen parents into arrest in cases where federal agents had detained the child but did not have access to the parent;
- Nineteen children who were present when DHS agents violently raided their homes;
- Eight children who were sitting in cars when DHS agents violently smashed their car windows;
- Two U.S. citizen children with life-threatening illnesses who were deported, limiting access to medical treatment; and
- Hundreds of children who were put at risk as a result of 42 enforcement actions at or near schools, daycares, bus stops, and other locations where children gather.

DHS's reckless disregard for the safety of children is pervasive, nationwide, and ongoing. The Administration claims that it is targeting "the worst of the worst." This analysis shows that claim to be false.

To arrive at the figures cited in this report, the Committees reviewed incidents involving individuals under 18 years of age where public and verified reports indicated that at least one child was directly harmed or threatened by DHS actions since January 20, 2025. The figures in this report are certainly an undercount of the harm experienced by children at the hands of DHS. This report does not include the thousands of children detained or deported by DHS, or countless others who have been traumatized by the Trump administration's mass deportation campaign.

The true number of children put at risk by the Trump Administration's mass deportation campaign includes not just those counted in this report but other children whose experiences were never publicly reported, the children whose friends and families have been swept away in DHS's dragnet, and the thousands of children who have been arrested, detained, subjected to inhumane conditions at DHS detention facilities, and deported to countries they may have never known.

FINDINGS

The Committees selected for review 74 incidents involving 128 children directly impacted by DHS operations. These children ranged in age from newborn babies to seniors in high school at the time of the documented incident. Many of these children are American citizens. These incidents occurred in 25 states between January 2025 and March 2026.

A. IMMIGRATION AGENTS HAVE INFLICTED PHYSICAL HARM ON CHILDREN

DHS agents assaulted or otherwise caused direct harm to at least 28 children in the incidents reviewed, including incidents where physical attacks on children under 18 appear to have been deliberate. Even in cases where the harm may have been accidental, these actions reflect an alarming disregard for child safety. Specifically:

- Immigration agents placed at least eight children in restraints.
- Immigration agents deployed pepper spray or other chemical agents on at least 20 children.
- Immigration agents placed at least one child under 18 in a chokehold.
- At least 10 children required medical attention as a direct result of their interaction with DHS agents.

The following is a selection of incidents involving children identified by the Committees. In many of the incidents documented here, children suffered numerous forms of harm.

1. Children Placed in Restraints

In at least four instances, federal immigration agents unnecessarily placed children under the age of 18 in restraints. While current Immigration and Custom Enforcement (ICE) policy on restraints during enforcement actions does not appear to be public, ICE has placed limits on the use of restraints on children under 18 in detention and requires agents to consider multiple factors before placing a child in restraints, including the possible effects on the child. Additionally, in the detention context, agents are prohibited from placing any child under the age of twelve in restraints.¹

- At a raid of a community event in Wilder, Idaho, officers zip-tied the hands of a 14-year-old U.S. citizen. The zip-ties left bruised marks on the 14-year-old's wrists.²
- In Arleta, California, a 15-year-old boy with disabilities was pulled from a car at gunpoint, separated from his mom, and handcuffed in a case of mistaken identity.³
- In Chicago, Illinois, agents rappelled from helicopters to raid an apartment building; kicked down doors, threw flash-bangs, and put children in zip-ties after they were

¹ Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 2.10 Use of Physical Control Measures and Restraints, Family Residential Standards, (Rev. 2020), https://www.ice.gov/doclib/frs/2020/2.10_PhysicalControlMeasuresRestraints.pdf.

² Haadiya Tariq, *Were children zip-tied in Wilder raid? FBI says no, then backtracks*, IDAHO PRESS (Oct. 24, 2025), https://www.idahopress.com/news/were-children-zip-tied-in-wilder-raid-fbi-says-no-then-backtracks/article_83af60d9-ed04-4750-ae70-58fc81488010.html.

³ Lolita Lopez & Helen Jeong, *"He Doesn't Feel Safe": Family Speaks Out After Teen with Disability Is Mistakenly Detained by Federal Agents* (Aug. 14, 2026), NBC NEWS, <https://nbcnews.com/politics/immigration/-doesnt-feel-safe-family-speaks-teen-disability-mistakenly-detained-fe-rcna224927>.

forced out of the building in the middle of the night. A witness indicated that some of the children were zip-tied without clothes on.⁴

- In Minnesota, a seventeen-year-old U.S. citizen was violently detained by agents and placed in restraints while working at a Target store.⁵

2. Children Hit with Chemical Agents

- In Minneapolis, Minnesota, a family with six children was driving when agents deployed tear gas and stun grenades around them. Two of the children have severe asthma and the youngest was just 6 months old at the time. The blast from the tear gas canister knocked the six-month-old unconscious and two of the other children also required medical treatment after the incident.⁶
- In Cicero, Illinois, a one-year-old girl and her parents were pepper-sprayed through an open window by immigration agents as they were trying to leave a Sam's Club parking lot.⁷
- In Columbus, Ohio, three girls—ages 18, 15 and 11—were in a car with their mother when immigration agents deployed pepper spray into the mother's open car window, spraying her and her children.⁸
- In Memphis, Tennessee, immigration agents deployed tear gas into a home where three children were present, including two U.S. citizen children under five years old.⁹
- In Chicago, Illinois, a two-year-old was injured by tear gas while she was with her mother in a park near where immigration agents were deploying the substance in a residential neighborhood.¹⁰
- In Portland, Oregon, a child received medical attention for apparent exposure to tear gas that was deployed during a peaceful protest where families were present.¹¹
- In Chicago, Illinois, children were exposed to tear gas while on their way to a Halloween party.¹²

⁴ Rebecca Schneid, 'Military-Style' ICE Raid on Chicago Apartment Building Shows Escalation in Trump's Crackdown, TIME (Oct. 4, 2025), <https://time.com/7323334/ice-raid-chicago-pritzker-trump/>.

⁵ Billal Rahman, US Citizens 'Aggressively' Detained by CBP While Working at Target, NEWSWEEK (Jan. 13, 2026), <https://www.newsweek.com/us-citizens-aggressively-detained-border-patrol-working-target-11349481>.

⁶ Chris Hippensteel, Couple Says ICE Agents Gassed Them as They Drove With 6 Children, N.Y. TIMES (Jan. 15, 2026), <https://www.nytimes.com/2026/01/15/us/minneapolis-couple-ice-tear-gas-6-children.html>.

⁷ Richard Luscombe, ICE agents accused of pepper-spraying Illinois parents and their one-year-old, THE GUARDIAN (Nov. 11, 2025), <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/nov/11/ice-agents-pepper-spray-man-baby-daughter>.

⁸ Katie Mallard, ICE agents pepper-spray Columbus mom, three kids inside moving vehicle, NBC4 COLUMBUS (Feb. 25, 2026), <https://www.nbc4i.com/news/investigates/ice-agents-pepper-spray-columbus-mom-three-kids-inside-moving-vehicle/>.

⁹ Raven Copeland, Tear gas deployed to home during ICE arrest, attorney says, WREG MEMPHIS (Nov. 10, 2025), <https://wreg.com/news/tear-gas-deployed-to-home-during-ice-arrest-attorney-says/>.

¹⁰ Natasha Korecki, Chicago residents say immigration enforcement is leading to children getting tear-gassed, NBC POLITICS (Nov. 5, 2025), <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/chicago-immigration-enforcement-children-tear-gas-border-patrol-rcna241629>.

¹¹ Sabinna Pierre, Witness Video Captures Girl Being Treated After Tear Gas at Portland ICE Demonstration, KGW8 (Feb. 1, 2026), <https://kgw.com/article/news/politics/national-politics/witness-captures-girl-baby-treated-tear-gas-portland-ice-demonstration/283-c617cb1b-3bf9-47c8-bdb2-90b567b1d501>.

¹² Michael Loria, Chicago Judge Scolds Trump Enforcer After Kids 'Tear-Gassed' On Way to Halloween Party, USA TODAY (Oct. 28, 2025), www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2025/10/28/chicago-ice-gregory-bovino-trump-midway-blitz/86939238007/.

3. Children Placed in Chokeholds

- In Houston, Texas, a 16-year-old high school student and U.S. citizen was violently assaulted and choked as agents detained his father.¹³

4. Children Requiring Medical Attention After Interactions with Immigration Agents

- In Chelsea, Massachusetts, two U.S. citizen children, one of whom is autistic, and their mother (who is a Green Card Holder) were taken by ambulance to a hospital emergency room for treatment after agents shattered their car windows and violently detained them.¹⁴
- In Newark, New Jersey, agents engaged in a high-speed chase leading to a multi-car accident that sent two 15-year-olds and a 12-year-old to a hospital.¹⁵
- In an incident described previously, in Houston, Texas, a 16-year-old high school student and U.S. citizen from Texas was treated at an emergency room for serious injuries to his neck after agents violently assaulted and choked him.¹⁶
- In an incident described previously, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, three children, including a six-month-old infant, who was unconscious, required medical treatment after agents deployed tear gas and stun grenades around their car.¹⁷

B. IMMIGRATION AGENTS HAVE PUT CHILDREN DIRECTLY AT RISK DURING ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS

The Committees reviewed reports of 56 children being put directly at-risk during enforcement operations. The Committees reviewed reports of at least:

- Ten children who were left unattended during or in the wake of an enforcement operation.
- Eleven children were used to lure non-citizen parents into arrest or detention in cases where federal agents had detained the child but did not have access to the parent.
- Nineteen children who were put at risk due to violent and forcible entries into their homes.
- Eight children who were put at risk by federal agents smashing their car windows.
- Eight children who were put at risk when agents used dangerous driving techniques, including high speed chases and car ramming.

The following is a selection of incidents involving children identified by the Committees.

¹³ Antonia Hylton et. al., *A car ramming, a violent arrest and an emboldened immigration agency*, MS NOW (Jan. 20, 2026), <https://www.ms.now/news/border-patrol-tactics-father-teen-phone>.

¹⁴ Letter from Jillian Lenson, et.al., Lawyers for Civil Rights Boston, Counsel for Claimants, to U.S. Dep't of Homeland Sec. and U.S. Immigr. and Customs Enft (Dec. 15, 2025), <https://lawyersforcivilrights.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/FTCA-Complaint-Ramirez-Family-REDACTED.pdf>.

¹⁵ Steve Strunsky, *ICE chase ends in multi-vehicle crash involving 3 children, N.J. city says*, NJ.COM (Feb. 25, 2026), <https://www.nj.com/essex/2026/02/ice-chase-ends-in-multi-vehicle-crash-involving-3-children-nj-city-says.html>.

¹⁶ Antonia Hylton et. al., *A car ramming, a violent arrest and an emboldened immigration agency*, MS NOW (Jan. 20, 2026), <https://www.ms.now/news/border-patrol-tactics-father-teen-phone>.

¹⁷ Chris Hippensteel, *Couple Says ICE Agents Gassed Them as They Drove With 6 Children*, N.Y. Times (Jan. 15, 2026), <https://www.nytimes.com/2026/01/15/us/minneapolis-couple-ice-tear-gas-6-children.html>.

1. Children Left Unattended

- In Oxnard, California, two children were left unattended in a locked truck after agents detained their father at a gas station.¹⁸
- In Los Angeles, California, agents drove off with a one-year-old girl still in her car seat after arresting the child's father.¹⁹
- In Morristown, New Jersey, a father was detained by agents on his way to pick up food for his six-year-old daughter. When he didn't return, the six-year-old went outside and was seen crying as she walked down the street saying, "Where's Papi?"²⁰
- In Franklin Township, New Jersey, agents arrested a father as he was driving his U.S. citizen children—a 15-year-old son and 13-year-old daughter—to school. The agents asked the boy to call his mom but drove away with their father before she could arrive.²¹

2. Children Used as Bait

- In Columbia Heights, Minnesota, five-year-old Liam Conejo Ramos, was used as bait by immigration agents to try to lure his mother from her home.²²
- In Leominster, Massachusetts, a five-year-old girl with autism was left by ICE in a car outside of her home to pressure her father to surrender.²³
- In New Orleans, Louisiana, an ICE field officer attempted to lure a father into custody after he tried to secure the release of his two-year-old U.S. citizen daughter who had been detained alongside her mother.²⁴
- After agents detained a teenage refugee in St. Cloud, Minnesota, one agent told the teenager that she could call her family to come pick her up. But the agent then warned that if they did so, ICE would send the entire family to Texas.²⁵

¹⁸ Billal Rahman, *Children Left Behind Inside Truck After ICE Detains Father at Gas Station*, NEWSWEEK (May 12, 2025), <https://www.newsweek.com/children-left-behind-inside-truck-ice-detains-father-california-2070907>.

¹⁹ *Federal agents drive off with 1-year-old girl after arresting her father in Los Angeles*, ASS. PRESS (Nov. 5, 2025), <https://apnews.com/article/immigration-agents-child-arrest-los-angeles-home-depot-2681d62ec00efb09ebe76c47ecedf6c0>.

²⁰ *Daysi Calavia-Robertson, 6-year-old girl left alone after ICE grabs N.J. dad picking up dinner outside his apartment. 'Where's Papi?'*, NJ.COM (Jan. 29, 2026), <https://www.nj.com/morris/2026/01/6-year-old-left-alone-after-ice-snatches-dad-picking-up-dinner-outside-his-door-wheres-papi-calavia-robertson.html>.

²¹ *Walt Kane, ICE agents accused of leaving New Jersey children unattended after arresting father*, NEWS 12 (Mar. 13, 2026), <https://hudsonvalley.news12.com/ice-agents-accused-of-leaving-new-jersey-children-unattended-after-arresting-father>.

²² *Doha Madani, 5-year-old boy and his father return to Minnesota after being released from immigration custody*, NBC NEWS (Feb. 1, 2026), <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/immigration/5-year-old-liam-conejo-ramos-returns-minnesota-rca256933>.

²³ *Matt Lavietes, Video shows ICE with 5-year-old girl while agents attempt to arrest her father*, NBC NEWS (Sept. 23, 2025), <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/ice-held-5-year-old-autistic-girl-massachusetts-pressure-father-surren-rcna233146>.

²⁴ *Alana Wise, U.S. judge says 2-year-old apparently deported to Honduras 'with no meaningful process'*, NPR (Apr. 26, 2025), <https://www.npr.org/2025/04/26/nx-s1-5378077/honduras-deported-girl-citizen>.

²⁵ *Kerem Yücel, After arrest, teen refugee held overnight in hotel room by ICE agents*, MINN. PUBLIC RADIO NEWS (Feb. 10, 2026), <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2026/02/10/after-arrest-teen-refugee-held-overnight-in-hotel-room-by-ice-agents>.

- In Marlboro, Massachusetts, a 14-year-old girl was detained and driven overnight out of the state to pressure her father to surrender.²⁶

3. Violent and Forced Entries of Private Homes Where Children Were Present

- In Minneapolis, Minnesota, officers equipped with military-style weapons forcibly entered a family's home without a warrant. Two children were present when agents broke down the door and entered with their guns drawn.²⁷
- A five-year-old child was present when approximately 10 immigration agents forced their way into a home without a warrant in St. Paul, Minnesota. The child watched as agents, with their guns drawn, detained his U.S. citizen grandfather and forced him out of his home in underwear.²⁸
- In Salisbury, Maryland, three children—ages seven, 10, and 15—were present when more than a dozen immigration agents forced their way into a family's home to arrest their father.²⁹
- In Burnsville, Minnesota, three children—two seven-year-olds and one-year-old—were present when immigration agents forced their way into a multi-family home without presenting a warrant.³⁰
- In Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, approximately 20 armed agents forcibly entered a U.S. citizen family's home. The agents ordered the mother and children to go outside into the rain without allowing them time and privacy to get dressed; one of the children was forced outside in her undergarments.³¹ Agents later realized that they had targeted the wrong home.
- In Gary, Indiana, a 14-year-old U.S. citizen was present when six agents with ICE and the U.S. Marshals Service forced their way into his family's home without showing them a warrant.³²
- In an incident described previously, in Chicago, Illinois, agents rappelled from helicopters to raid an apartment building; agents kicked down doors, threw flash-bangs, and put children in zip-ties.³³

²⁶ Kristina Rex, *14-year-old Massachusetts girl detained by ICE in Marlboro returned to family after judge's order*, CBS BOSTON (Mar. 13, 2026), <https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/judge-orders-immediate-return-of-14-year-old-massachusetts-girl-detained-by-ice/ar-AA1Yq9Ab>.

²⁷ Tim Sullivan, *Liberian man arrested in Minneapolis raid was regularly checking in with authorities, lawyer says*, ASS. PRESS (Jan. 14, 2026), <https://apnews.com/article/immigration-minneapolis-raid-liberian-trump-eceefc72b9889d33d2bc961f1f02ecc4>.

²⁸ Maia Coleman, *ICE Arrest of a Citizen, Barely Dressed, Sows Fear in Twin Cities*, N.Y. TIMES (Jan. 20, 2026), <https://www.nytimes.com/2026/01/20/us/chongly-scott-thao-ice-arrest.html>.

²⁹ Josh Davis, *ICE arrest at Maryland home sparks student protests in the city*, THE BALTIMORE SUN (Feb. 20, 2026), <https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/crime/ice-arrest-at-maryland-home-sparks-student-protests-in-the-city/ar-AA1WLN9j>.

³⁰ Doha Madani, *ICE raided a Minnesota home, arresting 4 and frightening U.S. citizens, family says*, NBC NEWS (Dec. 9, 2025), <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/ring-camera-shows-ice-raid-minnesota-home-us-citizens-scared-4-arreste-rcna248189>.

³¹ Nicole Acevedo, *U.S.-citizen family 'traumatized' after ICE raided their Oklahoma home in search of someone else*, NBC NEWS (Apr. 30, 2025), <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/latino/us-citizen-family-traumatized-ice-raid-rcna203700>.

³² Raven Copeland, *Tear gas deployed to home during ICE arrest, attorney says*, WREG MEMPHIS (Nov. 10, 2025), <https://www.wbez.org/immigration/2025/10/30/gary-family-arrested-ice-indiana-immigration>.

³³ Rebecca Schneid, *'Military-Style' ICE Raid on Chicago Apartment Building Shows Escalation in Trump's Crackdown*, TIME (Oct. 4, 2025), <https://time.com/7323334/ice-raid-chicago-pritzker-trump/>.

- In an incident described previously, in Memphis, Tennessee, three children (including two U.S. citizens under the age of five) were present when immigration agents forcibly entered and deployed tear gas into a family home.³⁴

4. Children Present During Violent and Dangerous Car Window Smashing

- In Northfield, Minnesota, immigration agents smashed the window of a car that contained a teenager and his father.³⁵
- In Alamosa, Colorado, immigration agents pointed firearms at and smashed the window of a car containing a couple and their one-month-old baby.³⁶
- In Boston, Massachusetts, immigration agents stopped and smashed the window of a car containing three U.S. citizen children—ages 3, 12, and 14—as the family was on their way to church on Mother’s Day. Agents pulled the father out of the car and violently slammed him to the ground while the children watched.³⁷
- In Westminster, Maryland, a teenage daughter filmed as immigration agents smashed the window of her car and detained her mother.³⁸
- In an incident described previously, in Chelsea, Massachusetts, agents smashed the front and back driver-side windows of a car while a 13-year-old U.S. citizen sat in the car with his mother and two other family members.³⁹

5. Children Who Immigration Agents Have Endangered Due to Dangerous Driving and Ramming of Vehicles

- In Los Angeles, California, immigration agents blocked and then rammed a vehicle from behind containing two children, one of whom was an infant.⁴⁰
- In Minneapolis, Minnesota, immigration agents rear-ended a vehicle and then arrested a teenage passenger.⁴¹
- In an incident described previously, in Newark, New Jersey, immigration agents caused a multi-car accident involving children after they engaged in a high-speed

³⁴ Raven Copeland, *Tear gas deployed to home during ICE arrest, attorney says*, WREG MEMPHIS (Nov. 10, 2025), <https://wreg.com/news/tear-gas-deployed-to-home-during-ice-arrest-attorney-says/>.

³⁵ Conor Wight, *Son films as father is detained by masked ICE agents in Northfield*, CBS NEWS (Nov. 13, 2025), <https://www.cbsnews.com/minnesota/news/video-of-ice-detaining-a-northfield-minnesota-man/>.

³⁶ Taylor Dolven, *“There’s a baby!” ICE agents stop Alamosa family at gunpoint, smash car window*, THE COLORADO SUN (Oct. 1, 2025), <https://coloradosun.com/2025/10/01/ice-alamosa-arrest-gunpoint-infant/>.

³⁷ Alex Woodward, *US citizen mom-of-three sues Kristi Noem’s ICE after agents smashed her car window in viral Mother’s Day arrest*, INDEPENDENT (Mar. 6, 2026), <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/kristi-noem-mothers-day-ice-arrest-citizen-lawsuit-b2933454.html>.

³⁸ Nicole Foy and McKenzie Funk, *“We’ll Smash the Fucking Window Out and Drag Him Out”*, PROPUBLICA (Jul. 31, 2025), <https://projects.propublica.org/trump-ice-smashed-windows-deportation-arrests/>.

³⁹ Letter from Jillian Lenson, et.al., Lawyers for Civil Rights Boston, Counsel for Claimants, to U.S. Dep’t of Homeland Sec. and U.S. Immigr. and Customs Enf’t (Dec. 15, 2025), <https://lawyersforcivilrights.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/FTCA-Complaint-Ramirez-Family-REDACTED.pdf>.

⁴⁰ Travis Schlepp, *Video shows unmarked vehicles ram car in ICE arrest in east Los Angeles*, KTLA5 (Jun. 11, 2025), <https://ktla.com/news/local-news/video-shows-unmarked-vehicles-ram-car-in-possible-ice-arrest-in-boyle-heights/>.

⁴¹ *Federal agents detain two teenagers in Minneapolis*, MINN. PUBLIC RADIO NEWS (Jan. 21, 2026), <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2026/01/21/customs-and-border-protection-officers-detain-two-teenagers-in-minneapolis>.

chase. Two 15-year-olds and one 12-year-old were taken to the hospital following the accident.⁴²

C. IMMIGRATION AGENTS ACTED WITH RECKLESS DISREGARD FOR CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Children with disabilities or serious medical conditions have been caught up in DHS's immigration dragnet. In the cases they reviewed, the Committees identified at least:

- Four children with disabilities who experienced violence at the hands of immigration agents, including being held at gunpoint and being pulled from the vehicles where they rode with their parents; and
- Six children with serious medical conditions who were directly impacted by DHS actions in ways that impaired their access to treatment or recovery.

The following is a selection of incidents involving children identified by the Committees.

1. Children With Disabilities

- In Los Angeles, California, masked agents, surrounded an innocent family's vehicle outside a high school, pointed their weapons at a 15-year-old with speech and hearing disabilities, pulled him from the car, and handcuffed him. When the agents realized that they had targeted the wrong person, they told the 15-year-old that it would be "an exciting story to tell." His mother reported that since the incident, "He breaks down, and he tells me he feels harassed. He tells me he doesn't feel safe."⁴³
- In March 2026, a six-year-old student at the California School for the Deaf in Fremont, California, was arrested along with his mother and five-year-old brother at a routine ICE check-in. He was prevented from retrieving his hearing aids, and deported to Colombia, cutting him off from the specialized education he requires.⁴⁴
- In an incident described previously, masked agents violently removed a 13-year-old boy with autism from the car where he was sitting with his mother in Chelsea, Massachusetts. After pulling him from the car, agents violently restrained his mother, grabbed him, and threatened to arrest him if he did not answer their questions despite his limited verbal communication ability.⁴⁵
- In an incident described previously, in Boston, Massachusetts, immigration agents stopped and smashed the window of a car containing three U.S. citizen children—one of whom has epilepsy, hydrocephalus, and cerebral palsy—as they were on

⁴² Steve Strunsky, *ICE chase ends in multi-vehicle crash involving 3 children, N.J. city says*, NJ.COM (Feb. 25, 2026), <https://www.nj.com/esssex/2026/02/ice-chase-ends-in-multi-vehicle-crash-involving-3-children-nj-city-says.html>.

⁴³ Lolita Lopez and Helen Jeong, *'He doesn't feel safe': Family speaks out after teen with disability is mistakenly detained by federal agents*, NBC NEWS (Aug. 14, 2025), <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/immigration/-doesnt-feel-safe-family-speaks-teen-disability-mistakenly-detained-fe-rcna224927>.

⁴⁴ Robert Salonga, *Deportation of deaf child, family from Bay Area to Colombia draws outrage*, THE MERCURY NEWS (Mar. 6, 2026), <https://www.mercurynews.com/2026/03/06/deport-ice-deaf-child-bay-area/>.

⁴⁵ Letter from Jillian Lenson, et.al., Lawyers for Civil Rights Boston, Counsel for Claimants, to U.S. Dep't of Homeland Sec. and U.S. Immigr. and Customs Enf't (Dec. 15, 2025), <https://lawyersforcivilrights.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/FTCA-Complaint-Ramirez-Family-REDACTED.pdf>; Sarah Betancourt, *Chelsea mother with green card files federal complaint against ICE for September arrest*, WGBH (Dec. 15, 2025), <https://www.wgbh.org/news/local/2025-12-15/chelsea-mother-with-green-card-files-federal-complaint-against-ice-for-september-arrest>.

their way to church on Mother's Day. Agents pulled the father out of the car and violently slammed him to the ground while the children watched.⁴⁶

2. Children with life-threatening illnesses

- In February 2025, a family with five U.S. citizen children was detained at the Falfurrias, Texas checkpoint as they were trying to seek emergency medical care for their 10-year-old U.S. citizen daughter. Their daughter is partially paralyzed and was actively receiving treatment for a brain tumor.⁴⁷ After being detained they were deported to Mexico, where the child has been unable to access the care she had been relying on, and her recovery has stalled.⁴⁸
- In April 2025, a four-year-old U.S. citizen with Stage 4 kidney cancer was deported to Honduras with his seven-year-old sister.⁴⁹ The child's access to life-saving treatment was severely impacted, and before he was deported, his mother was not given any option for him to remain in the United States to continue to receive care.⁵⁰
- A six-year-old Honduran boy diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia was detained along with his mother and nine-year-old sister by immigration agents at an immigration check-in in New Orleans, Louisiana. His chemotherapy treatment was disrupted, and he exhibited leukemia symptoms while he was detained.⁵¹
- A 15-year-old U.S. citizen fighting cancer passed away just days after his mother was detained in Salisbury, Maryland. Following the news of his mother's arrest, the son "shut down," according to the father, and "never came back." The son passed away a few days later, just before his sixteenth birthday.⁵² His parents decided that they would return to Mexico with their three surviving children, all U.S. citizens, and their son's remains.⁵³
- In Weslaco, Texas, a DACA recipient father was arrested while on the way to deliver milk to the youngest of his three U.S. citizen children, who was just 12 days old and being cared for in an isolation chamber in a nearby hospital's neonatal intensive

⁴⁶ Alex Woodward, *US citizen mom-of-three sues Kristi Noem's ICE after agents smashed her car window in viral Mother's Day arrest*, INDEPENDENT (Mar. 6, 2026), <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/kristi-noem-mothers-day-ice-arrest-citizen-lawsuit-b2933454.html>.

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D. IMMIGRATION AGENTS HAVE CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IN AND AROUND SCHOOLS, DAY CARES, AND COURTHOUSES

At the beginning of the Trump Administration, DHS rescinded a policy that had for years protected sensitive locations like schools, churches, and courthouses from immigration enforcement activities.⁵⁵ The rescission of this policy has had devastating consequences for children learning and being cared for at these locations that were once held as safe havens.

School attendance has decreased in many school districts where DHS has surged mass deportation operations. For example, at the end of winter break at a West St. Paul, Minnesota, elementary school, more than 50 students did not return to class.⁵⁶ School officials attributed the absence directly to immigration enforcement.⁵⁷

In the cases it reviewed, the Committees identified 42 instances of ICE deploying in and around schools, school bus stops, and day care centers:

- February 2026 – Mayra’s Spanish Daycare and Preschool; Boise, Idaho.⁵⁸
- February 2026 - Olathe Unit of the Boys & Girls Club; Olathe, Kansas.⁵⁹
- February 2026 - Lindenwold School District; Lindenwold, New Jersey.⁶⁰
- January 2026 – Tuscon Elementary Schools.⁶¹
- January 2026 - Columbia Heights Public School District; Columbia Heights, Minnesota.⁶²
- January 2026 – Ypsilanti Community Schools Bus Stop; Ypsilanti, Michigan.⁶³

⁵⁴ Laura Barrón-López, ‘Americans at heart’: ICE detains DACA recipient on way to visit premature baby in NICU, MS NOW (Mar. 18, 2026), <https://www.ms.now/news/ice-detains-daca-recipient-premature-baby>.

⁵⁵ Protected Areas and Courthouse Arrests, U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT (Updated Feb. 20, 2026), <https://www.ice.gov/ero/protected-areas>.

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- January 2026 – Fridley Schools; Fridley, Minnesota.⁶⁴
- January 2026 - Roosevelt High School; Minneapolis, Minnesota.⁶⁵
- January 2026 - Chula Vista, California.⁶⁶
- January 2026 – Hopkins Public Schools Bus Stop; Hopkins, Minnesota.⁶⁷
- January 2026 – Anjépu Téča Education Center; Roseville, Minnesota.⁶⁸
- January 2026 – Little Canada Elementary School; Little Canada, Minnesota.⁶⁹
- January 2026 – Anoka-Hennepin School District School Vans; Rogers, Minnesota.⁷⁰
- January 2026 - Seattle Public Schools; Seattle, Washington.⁷¹
- January 2026 – St. Paul Public Schools Vans; St. Paul, Minnesota.⁷²
- January 2026 - Northport Elementary School Bus Stop; Brooklyn Center, Minnesota.⁷³
- January 2026 - Concord Education Center, Inver Grove Heights; Minnesota.⁷⁴
- January 2026 – Jardin Spanish Immersion Academy; Minneapolis, Minnesota.⁷⁵

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- January 2026 – Amigos Spanish Immersion; Golden Valley, Minnesota.⁷⁷
- December 2025 - Augsburg University; Minneapolis, Minnesota.⁷⁸
- November 2025 - Rayito de Sol Daycare and Preschool; Roscoe Village, Chicago, Illinois.⁷⁹
- October 2025 - Allen Elementary School; Aurora, Illinois.⁸⁰
- October 2025 - Jonathan Burr Elementary School; Chicago, Illinois⁸¹
- October 2025 - Decatur Classical School; Chicago, Illinois.⁸²
- October 2025 - Abraham Lincoln Elementary School; Oak Park, Illinois.⁸³
- October 2025 - Funston Elementary School; Chicago, Illinois.⁸⁴
- September 2025 - D.C. Bilingual Public Charter School; Washington, DC.⁸⁵
- September 2025 - Gerald E. Talbot Community School; Portland, Maine.⁸⁶
- August 2025 - Cottonwood School of Civics and Science; Portland, Oregon.⁸⁷
- August 2025 - Park Dale Lane Elementary; Encinitas, California.⁸⁸

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- August 2025 - Linda Vista Elementary School; San Diego, California.⁹⁰
- August 2025 - Camarena Elementary School; East Chula Vista, California.⁹¹
- August 2025 - Southwest Elementary School; Phoenix, Arizona.⁹²
- August 2025 - Arleta High School; Los Angeles, California.⁹³
- July 2025 - Guidepost Montessori; Beaverton, Oregon.⁹⁴
- May 2025 - Dobie Middle School; Austin, Texas.⁹⁵
- April 2025 - Russell Elementary School; Florence-Graham, California.⁹⁶
- April 2025 - Lillian Street Elementary School; Florence-Graham, California.⁹⁷
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- February 2025 - Jovita Idar Elementary; Chicago, Illinois.⁹⁹

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Supplement

Children & Immigration Enforcement: Case Log

The following is a compilation of cases reviewed by the Committees and used to determine some of the figures in this report. As noted above, it is not an exhaustive collection of materials reviewed by the Committees but rather a defined set of cases identified by the Committees where it could be shown that children were directly and negatively impacted by the Trump Administration's actions.

1.

Reported on Date	Jan. 29, 2025
Location	Gwinnett County, GA
Children	3
Description	When a mother was arrested by ICE, immigration agents left her 18-year-old daughter, and two younger children stranded and unsupervised at home. The children's mother had no criminal history and had been regularly checking in with ICE for six years. Her attorney personally witnessed the arrest and reported that agents acted with no plan for the three children who were left without any adult supervision.
Citation	WSBTV2 News Staff, <i>Attorney says ICE agents left 18-year-old, younger children behind after arresting mother</i> , WSB-TV2 (Jan. 29, 2025), https://www.wsbtv.com/news/local/gwinnett-county/attorney-says-ice-agents-left-18-year-old-younger-children-behind-after-arresting-mother/K3SX7LCFBBB7NME6ANF4JDXHHA/ .

2.

Reported on Date	Feb. 14, 2025
Location	Tucson, AZ
Children	2
Description	A family of four children, ages 6, 9, 8, and 14, were separated when two of the children were apprehended by immigration agents with their mother and quickly deported to Mexico. This left the other two children in the United States. The mother asked agents if she could speak to or get her other children so they would not be separated, but her requests were declined.
Citation	John Washington, Yana Kunichoff, and Carolina Cuellar, <i>Tucson family frantically seeks answers after mother and kids detained by Border Patrol at traffic stop</i> , AZ Luminaria (Feb. 14, 2025), https://azmirror.com/2025/02/14/tucson-family-frantically-seeks-answers-after-mother-and-kids-detained-by-border-patrol-at-traffic-stop/ .

3.

Reported on Date	Mar. 7, 2025
Location	Trenton, MI (near Trenton Middle School)
Children	1
Description	A father of five with 30 years in the U.S. and no criminal record was detained by ICE just moments after he dropped off his 8th-grade son at school, leaving the son stranded.

Citation	Niraj Warikoo, <i>Michigan immigrant father arrested by ICE outside school after dropping off child</i> , DETROIT FREE PRESS (Mar. 7, 2025), https://www.freep.com/story/news/local/michigan/wayne/2025/03/07/jose-jaimes-arrested-ice-immigration-customers-enforcement-trenton-middle-school/81852395007/ .
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4.

Reported on Date	Mar. 12, 2025
Location	Texas
Children	5
Description	In February 2025, a family with five U.S. citizen children was deported to Mexico, even though one of the children, a 10-year-old U.S. citizen, was actively receiving treatment for a brain tumor. Since being deported, the child's healing progress has stalled, and she has not been able to access the level of care necessary to give her the best chance to recover.
Photography	
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5.

Reported on Date	Apr. 26, 2025
Location	Louisiana
Children	2
Description	A 2-year-old U.S. citizen, V.M.L., was detained with her mother following a routine ICE supervised-release appointment. ICE held the toddler in federal custody as leverage to induce her undocumented father to surrender. V.M.L.'s mother had appeared voluntarily for a scheduled, lawful ICE supervised-release check-in. A federal judge later described the 2-year-old as having been deported "with no meaningful process."

Citation	Alana Wise, <i>U.S. judge says 2-year-old apparently deported to Honduras 'with no meaningful process'</i> , NPR (Apr. 26, 2025), https://www.npr.org/2025/04/26/nx-s1-5378077/honduras-deported-girl-citizen .
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6.

Reported on Date	Apr. 29, 2025
Location	Oklahoma City, OK
Children	3
Description	In Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, approximately 20 armed agents forcibly entered a U.S. citizen family's home. The agents ordered the mother and children to go outside into the rain without allowing them time and privacy to get dressed; one of the children was forced outside in her undergarments. Agents later realized that they had targeted the wrong home.
Citation	Spencer Humphrey, <i>'We're citizens!': Oklahoma City family traumatized after ICE raids home, but they weren't suspects</i> , KFOR (April 29, 2025), https://kfor.com/news/local/were-citizens-oklahoma-city-family-traumatized-after-ice-raids-home-but-they-werent-suspects/ .

7.

Reported on Date	May 2, 2025
Location	South Kona / Big Island, HI
Children	1
Description	At the start of March 2025, a 7-year-old first grader at Konawaena Elementary School was taken into custody by a school resource officer and handed over to child protective services, who in turn handed the child over to immigration agents when his father was apprehended. Both father and child were subsequently deported.
Citation	Anita Hofschneider, <i>ICE Takes Aim at Immigrant Kids in Big Island's Coffee Belt</i> , CIVIL BEAT (May 2, 2025), https://www.civilbeat.org/2025/05/02/ice-takes-aim-at-immigrant-kids-in-big-islands-coffee-belt/ .

8.

Reported on Date	May 2, 2025
Location	South Kona / Big Island, HI
Children	1
Description	In April, immigration agents in Hawaii took 17-year-old South Kona high school student into custody. Teachers from Kealakehe High School raced to the Kona Police Department – which had provided space to HSI for processing – with guardianship paperwork showing that he could be released to an aunt. The attempt failed, and the teenager was transported alone to a youth detention center in Texas.
Citation	Anita Hofschneider, <i>ICE Takes Aim at Immigrant Kids in Big Island's Coffee Belt</i> , CIVIL BEAT (May 2, 2025), https://www.civilbeat.org/2025/05/02/ice-takes-aim-at-immigrant-kids-in-big-islands-coffee-belt/ .

9.

Reported on Date	May 7, 2025
Location	Texas

Children	3
Description	Three children ages 4, 5, and 9, were in a car with their mother when federal agents pulled the car over and detained the family in front of the school. Two of the children are U.S. citizens. After the mother was released on an ankle monitor, she went with her three children to an immigration check-in and they were all taken into custody. Their legal team was unable to contact them.
Photography	 A photograph of a family of five posing in a living room. On the left is a man in a plaid shirt, next to a woman in a green top. In the center are three children: a boy in a striped shirt, a girl in a grey patterned sweater, and a boy in a red plaid shirt. A Christmas tree is visible in the background.
Citation	Grassroots Leadership, <i>Austin mother set to be deported along with two US citizen children</i> , GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP (May 7, 2025), https://www.grassrootsleadership.org/press-releases/austin-mother-set-to-be-deported-along-with-two-us-citizen-children

10.

Reported on Date	May 12, 2025
Location	Oxnard, CA
Children	2
Description	In Oxnard, California, two children were left unattended in a locked truck after agents detained their father at a gas station.
Citation	Billal Rahman, <i>Children Left Behind Inside Truck After ICE Detains Father at Gas Station</i> , NEWSWEEK (May 12, 2025), https://www.newsweek.com/children-left-behind-inside-truck-ice-detains-father-california-2070907 .

11.

Reported on Date	May 13, 2025
Location	Worcester, MA
Children	3
Description	A three-month old infant in Massachusetts was used as bait to lure their grandmother from her home, after the child's mother and father stopped the mother's car near the

	house and insisted that the grandmother take the child. Two older children, ages 17 and 13, were also taken into custody as part of the operation.
Citation	<i>ICE Used Kids as "Bait" to Arrest Woman in Worcester, Massachusetts</i> , ROLLING STONE (May 13, 2025), https://www.rollingstone.com/politics/politics-features/ice-kids-bait-arrest-woman-worcester-massachusetts-1235338539/ .

12.

Reported on Date	June 5, 2025
Location	Massachusetts
Children	3
Description	In Boston, Massachusetts, immigration agents stopped and smashed the window of a car containing three U.S. citizen children—ages 3, 12, and 14—as the family was on their way to church on Mother’s Day. Agents pulled the father out of the car and violently slammed him to the ground while the children watched.
Photography	
Citation	Lawyers for Civil Rights, <i>Complaint Filed After ICE Smashes Car Window</i> , LAWYERS FOR CIVIL RIGHTS (June 5, 2025), https://lawyersforcivilrights.org/our-impact/immigrant-rights/complaint-filed-after-ice-smashes-car-window/ ; Lawyers for Civil Rights, <i>Dragging ICE to Federal Court</i> , LAWYERS FOR CIVIL RIGHTS (Mar. 2026), https://lawyersforcivilrights.org/our-impact/immigrant-rights/dragging-ice-to-federal-court/ .

13.

Reported on Date	June 11, 2025
Location	New Haven, CT
Children	2
Description	Two U.S. citizen children, one of whom is autistic, were in a car with their mother when agents saw them enter the vehicle and boxed the car in to detain their mother. The children, ages 8 and 13, left the car and were left unattended on the sidewalk until the grandmother arrived. It is not clear whether immigration agents verified that the grandmother was a guardian for the children when they drove off with the mother.
Citation	Thomas Breen, <i>Daughter, Son Watched As Ski-Masked ICE Agents Boxed In, Took Away Mom</i> , NEW HAVEN INDEPENDENT, (June 11, 2025), https://www.newhavenindependent.org/2025/06/11/monse_arrest/ .

14.

Reported on Date	June 11, 2025
Location	Boyle Heights, CA
Children	2
Description	In Los Angeles, immigration agents blocked and rammed a vehicle from behind containing two children, one of whom was an infant. Agents drew firearms, deployed tear gas canisters near the vehicle, dragged the driver out at gunpoint and left without the woman and children.
Citation	KTLA Staff, <i>Video shows unmarked vehicles ram car in possible ICE arrest in Boyle Heights</i> , KTLA (Jun. 11, 2025), https://ktla.com/news/local-news/video-shows-unmarked-vehicles-ram-car-in-possible-ice-arrest-in-boyle-heights/ .

15.

Reported on Date	June 13, 2025
Location	Indianapolis, IN
Children	3
Description	A U.S. citizen child was separated from his mother and siblings when his mother was unable to secure travel paperwork for the child when she was deported from the United States.
Citation	WTHR Investigates, <i>2-year-old child stranded in Indianapolis after parents' deportation</i> , WTHR (June 13, 2025), https://www.wthr.com/article/news/investigations/13-investigates/2-year-old-child-stranded-indianapolis-indiana-parents-deportation-immigration/531-1bd17ce9-89fb-4ca6-98a6-0b23bc73145b .

16.

Reported on Date	July 4, 2025
Location	Los Angeles, CA
Children	2
Description	A 6-year-old child diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia was detained by plainclothes ICE agents at an immigration courthouse along with his mother and 9-year-old sister. His chemotherapy treatment was disrupted when he was placed in detention.
Citation	Corky Siemaszko, <i>6-year-old Honduran boy with leukemia who had been seized by ICE is back in L.A.</i> , NBC NEWS (July 4, 2025), https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/ice-releases-honduran-boy-leukemia-immigration-rcna216951 .

17.

Reported on Date	July 17, 2025
Location	Washington State
Children	4
Description	Immigration agents detained four U.S. citizen children and their mother in a CBP holding facility for nearly three weeks until the children were released into the custody of a family friend. Their mother was released after four months in custody.

Photography	
Citation	Sujena Soumyanath, <i>Four U.S. citizen children detained by Border Patrol in WA released</i> , SEATTLE TIMES ONLINE (July 17, 2025), https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/four-u-s-citizen-children-detained-by-border-patrol-in-wa-released/ .

18.

Reported on Date	July 21, 2025
Location	Beaverton, OR
Children	1
Description	A small child and their father were in their car just outside of the child's daycare school when masked ICE agents arrested the child's father.
Photography	
Citation	Conrad Wilson, <i>'Daddy, police!': New video shows masked ICE agents arrest father outside child's school in Beaverton</i> , OPB (July 21, 2025), https://www.opb.org/article/2025/07/21/new-video-ice-agents-arrest-father-beaverton-preschool/ .

19.

Reported on Date	July 31, 2025
Location	Maryland
Children	1
Description	In Westminster, Maryland, a teenage daughter filmed as immigration agents smashed the window of her car and detained her mother.

Citation	Nicole Foy, et. al., "We'll Smash the Fucking Window Out and Drag Him Out", PROPUBLICA (July 31, 2025), https://projects.propublica.org/trump-ice-smashed-windows-deportation-arrests/ .
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20.

Reported on Date	Aug. 5, 2025
Location	JFK Airport / New Jersey
Children	1
Description	A family with an 8-year-old son from Russia refused an ICE deportation order back to Russia, citing fear of imprisonment. On May 15, 2025, ICE separated their 8-year-old son from them at JFK Airport. The child was placed in a foster home; both parents remained in NJ ICE detention. Both parents later passed a government protection screening confirming they cannot be deported to Russia. As of August, the parents remained separated from their child.
Citation	Miriam Jordan, <i>Inside Trump's New Tactic to Separate Immigrant Families</i> , N.Y. TIMES (Aug. 5, 2025), https://www.nytimes.com/2025/08/05/us/politics/trump-ice-family-separation.html .

21.

Reported on Date	Aug. 5, 2025
Location	Interior U.S. Airport (location withheld)
Children	3
Description	A family refused to board a commercial removal flight. Their three children were subsequently separated from their parents. And after weeks of separation, the couple agreed to return to India without their children.
Citation	Miriam Jordan, <i>Inside Trump's New Tactic to Separate Immigrant Families</i> , N.Y. TIMES (Aug. 5, 2025), https://www.nytimes.com/2025/08/05/us/politics/trump-ice-family-separation.html .

22.

Reported on Date	Aug. 5, 2025
Location	San Diego, CA
Children	1
Description	An 11-year-old and his father fled Russia after the child's mother was imprisoned for her political views. When the father and son were apprehended, taken into ICE custody, and placed on a flight, the father refused to board, fearing a return to Russia. The 11-year-old was then separated from his father and placed in a shelter for unaccompanied children. Weeks later, ICE offered the father reunification only if he returned to Russia, and he agreed. However, he subsequently passed a government torture protection screening and now could not be deported to Russia. As of August 2025, ICE was attempting third-country deportation and the father and son remained separately detained.
Citation	Miriam Jordan, <i>Inside Trump's New Tactic to Separate Immigrant Families</i> , N.Y. TIMES (Aug. 5, 2025), https://www.nytimes.com/2025/08/05/us/politics/trump-ice-family-separation.html .

23.

Reported on Date	August 8, 2025
Location	Dunkirk, NY

Children	1
Description	A two-year-old U.S. citizen child was separated from her parents when they were detained while shopping at a Walmart in Western New York.
Citation	J. Dale Shoemaker, et. al., <i>ICE separates parents, 2-year-old child</i> , INVESTIGATIVE POST (Aug. 8, 2025), https://investigativepost.org/2025/08/08/ice-separates-parents-2-year-old-child/ .

24.

Reported on Date	Aug. 12, 2025
Location	Louisiana
Children	2
Description	Two U.S. citizen children – Romeo, 4, with Stage 4 kidney cancer, and his sister Ruby, 7 – were deported to Honduras along with their mother as a result of an ICE operation from the New Orleans Field Office.
Citation	Julia Marnin, <i>Child with stage 4 cancer deported by ICE despite being US citizen, lawsuit says</i> , MIAMI HERALD (Aug. 12, 2025), https://www.miamiherald.com/news/nation-world/national/article311666872.html .

25.

Reported on Date	Aug. 14, 2025
Location	Los Angeles, CA
Children	1
Description	In Arleta, California, a 15-year-old boy with disabilities was pulled from a car at gunpoint, separated from his mom, and handcuffed in a case of mistaken identity.
Citation	Lolita Lopez, <i>'He doesn't feel safe': Family speaks out after teen with disability is mistakenly detained by federal agents</i> , NBC NEWS (Aug. 14, 2025), https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/immigration/-doesnt-feel-safe-family-speaks-teen-disability-mistakenly-detained-fe-rcna224927 .

26.

Reported on Date	Sept. 23, 2025
Location	Texas
Children	3
Description	Three U.S. citizen children were left in the U.S. without their primary caregiver after their mother was deported to Honduras. The children were left in the care of a family friend with no clear timeline for reunification.
Citation	Blake Ellis et al., <i>'Are Mom and Dad not coming home?': American kids left stranded when ICE takes their parents</i> , CNN (Sept. 23, 2025), https://www.cnn.com/2025/09/23/politics/us-citizen-children-separated-parents-deported-ice-invs .

27.

Reported on Date	Sept. 23, 2025
Location	Boston, Massachusetts
Children	1

Description	In Leominster, Massachusetts, 5-year-old girl with autism was held by ICE outside of her home to pressure her father to surrender.
Photography	
Citation	Matt Lavietes, <i>Video shows ICE with 5-year-old girl while agents attempt to arrest her father</i> , NBC NEWS (Sept. 23, 2025), https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/ice-held-5-year-old-autistic-girl-massachusetts-pressure-father-surren-rcna233146 .

28.

Reported on Date	Sept. 30, 2025
Location	Chicago, IL
Children	Multiple
Description	In Chicago, Illinois, agents rappelled from helicopters to raid an apartment building; kicked down doors, threw flash-bangs, and put children in zip-ties after they were forced out of the building in the middle of the night. A witness indicated that some of the children were zip-tied without clothes on.
Citation	Rebecca Schneid, <i>'Military-Style' ICE Raid On Chicago Apartment Building Shows Escalation in Trump's Crackdown</i> , TIME (Sept. 30, 2025), https://time.com/7323334/ice-raid-chicago-pritzker-trump/ .

29.

Reported on Date	Oct. 1, 2025
Location	Alamosa, CO
Children	1
Description	In Alamosa, Colorado, immigration agents pointed firearms at and smashed the window of a car containing a couple and their one-month-old baby.
Citation	Taylor Dolven, <i>"There's a baby!" ICE agents stop Alamosa family at gunpoint, smash car window</i> , COLORADO SUN (Oct 1, 2025), https://lawyersforcivilrights.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/FTCA-Complaint-Ramirez-Family-REDACTED.pdf .

30.

Reported on Date	October 15, 2025
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Location	Illinois
Children	1
Description	A 15-year-old was arrested on accusations of assault after he allegedly threw an egg at a Border Patrol agent. Agents used force to violently tackle the teen to the ground.
Citation	Christian Farr, <i>Feds, attorneys spar over 15-year-old detained by U.S. immigration officers</i> , NBC5 CHICAGO (Oct. 15, 2025), https://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/feds-attorneys-spar-over-15-year-old-detained-by-u-s-immigration-officers/3839147/ .

31.

Reported on Date	October 18, 2025
Location	Gresham, OR
Children	1
Description	Immigration agents mistakenly raided a family home, targeting the wrong address. A 3-month-old infant was present as agents pointed weapons at the family.
Citation	Rebecca Ellis, <i>ICE in Oregon: pointing rifles at family, stopping teens at gunpoint, pinning man during arrest</i> , OREGONIAN (Oct. 18, 2025), https://www.oregonlive.com/crime/2025/10/ice-in-oregon-pointing-rifles-at-family-stopping-teens-at-gunpoint-pinning-man-during-arrest.html .

32.

Reported on Date	Oct. 24, 2025
Location	Wilder, Idaho
Children	3
Description	At a raid of a community event in Wilder, Idaho, officers zip-tied the hands of a 14-year-old U.S. citizen. The zip-ties left bruised marks on the 14-year-old's wrists
Citation	Haadiya Tariq, <i>Were children zip-tied in Wilder raid? FBI says no, then backtracks</i> , IDAHO PRESS (Oct. 24, 2025), https://www.idahopress.com/news/were-children-zip-tied-in-wilder-raid-fbi-says-no-then-backtracks/article_83af60d9-ed04-4750-ae70-58fc81488010.html .

33.

Reported on Date	Oct. 25, 2025
Location	Chicago, IL
Children	1
Description	A father was detained and placed in ICE custody despite his daughter's active cancer treatment requiring his presence. A federal judge ruled that the detention was unlawful.

Photography



Citation

Chicago AP, *Judge rules immigration detention of Chicago man with daughter battling cancer is illegal*, ASSOC. PRESS (Oct. 25, 2025), <https://apnews.com/article/immigration-chicago-man-daughter-cancer-2a7a78244d9df47cebe6a561e02861c9>.

34.

Reported on Date	Oct. 28, 2025
Location	Chicago, IL
Children	Multiple children
Description	In Chicago, Illinois, children were exposed to tear gas while on their way to a Halloween party.
Citation	Michael Loria, <i>Chicago Judge Scolds Trump Enforcer After Kids 'Tear-Gassed' On Way to Halloween Party</i> , USA TODAY (Oct. 28, 2025), www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2025/10/28/chicago-ice-gregory-bovino-trump-midway-blitz/86939238007/ .

35.

Reported on Date	Oct. 28, 2025
Location	Chicago, IL
Children	2
Description	A 2-year-old boy and a 14-month-old were at daycare near an immigration enforcement operation and witnessed the enforcement activity. Both children were reportedly traumatized by the experience.
Citation	Chicago AP, <i>Chicago's Children Are Getting Caught in the Chaos of Immigration Crackdowns</i> , WTTW (Oct. 28, 2025), https://news.wttw.com/2025/10/28/hicago-s-children-are-getting-caught-chaos-immigration-crackdowns .

36.

Reported on Date	Oct. 29, 2025
Location	Gary, Indiana
Children	1
Description	In Gary, Indiana, a 14-year-old U.S. citizen was present when six agents with ICE and the U.S. Marshals Service forced their way into his family's home without showing them a warrant.

Photography	
Citation	<p>Michael Puente, <i>Siblings shaken after feds raid Gary home, arrest family – 'They punched me in the eye'</i>, CHICAGO SUN TIMES, (Oct. 29, 2025) https://chicago.suntimes.com/immigration/2025/10/29/gary-family-arrested-ice-indiana-immigration; Raven Copeland, <i>Tear gas deployed to home during ICE arrest, attorney says</i>, WREG MEMPHIS (Nov. 10, 2025), https://www.wbez.org/immigration/2025/10/30/gary-family-arrested-ice-indiana-immigration.</p>

37.

Reported on Date	Oct. 30, 2025
Location	Aurora, Illinois
Children	2
Description	Federal immigration agents fired pepper ball projectiles into a car driven by a mother after she inadvertently blocked an agent's vehicle in a grocery store parking lot. Her 3-year-old and 1-year-old were in the car; she had told agents repeatedly that her young children were inside. Both children were exposed to chemical irritants and required emergency medical treatment.
Citations	Molly Morrow, <i>Woman says she and children were in vehicle hit by pepper-spray projectiles in immigration action in Aurora</i> , CHI. TRIB. (Oct. 30, 2025), https://www.chicagotribune.com/2025/10/30/pepper-spray-immigration-aurora/ .

38.

Reported on Date	Nov. 5, 2025
Location	Los Angeles, CA
Children	1
Description	In Los Angeles, California, agents drove off with a one-year-old girl still in her car seat after arresting the child's father. The infant was then left alone in the vehicle until her grandmother was located.

Photography



Citation

Associated Press, *Federal agents drive off with 1-year-old girl after arresting her father in Los Angeles*, ASSOC. PRESS(Nov. 5, 2025), <https://apnews.com/article/immigration-agents-child-arrest-los-angeles-home-depot-2681d62ec00efb09ebe76c47ecedf6c0>.

39.

Reported on Date	Nov. 5, 2025
Location	Chicago, IL
Children	1
Description	In Chicago, Illinois, a two-year-old was injured by tear gas while she was with her mother in a park near where immigration agents were deploying the substance in a residential neighborhood.

Photography



Citation	Natasha Korecki, <i>Chicago residents say immigration enforcement is leading to children getting tear-gassed</i> , NBC NEWS. (Nov. 5, 2025), https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/chicago-immigration-enforcement-children-tear-gas-border-patrol-rcna241629 .
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40.

Reported on Date	Nov. 10, 2025
Location	Memphis, TN
Children	3
Description	In Memphis, Tennessee, immigration agents deployed tear gas into a home where three children were present, including two U.S. citizen children under five years old.
Citation	Raven Copeland, <i>Tear gas deployed to home during ICE arrest, attorney says</i> , WREG (Nov. 10, 2025), https://wreg.com/news/tear-gas-deployed-to-home-during-ice-arrest-attorney-says/ .

41.

Reported on Date	Nov. 11, 2025
Location	Illinois
Children	1
Description	In Cicero, Illinois, a one-year-old girl and her parents were pepper-sprayed through an open window by immigration agents as they were trying to leave a Sam's Club parking lot.
Citation	Richard Luscombe, <i>ICE agents accused of pepper-spraying Illinois parents and their one-year-old</i> , GUARDIAN (Nov. 11, 2025), https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/nov/11/ice-agents-pepper-spray-man-baby-daughter .

42.

Reported on Date	Nov. 13, 2025
Location	Northfield, MN
Children	1
Description	In Northfield, Minnesota, immigration agents smashed the window of a car that contained a teenager and his father.
Citation	Connor Wright, <i>Son films as father is detained by masked ICE agents in Northfield</i> , CBS News (Nov 13, 2025), https://www.cbsnews.com/minnesota/news/video-of-ice-detaining-a-northfield-minnesota-man/ .

43.

Reported on Date	Nov. 22, 2025
Location	Providence, RI
Children	1
Description	A high school intern working in the Rhode Island courthouse was seized by ICE. Earlier in the day, ICE officers were taking pictures of the intern in the courtroom, prompting a judge to offer him a ride to school since he was shaken by the experience. As they drove away, immigration officers swarmed the judge's car and ordered the judge and the teen to exit, upon which the teen was restrained and taken away until ICE could verify his identity.

Citation	Taylor Galgano et al., <i>A high school courthouse intern was mistakenly detained by ICE. State officials called it outrageous</i> , CNN (Nov. 22, 2025), https://www.cnn.com/2025/11/22/us/rhode-island-intern-detained-ice .
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44.

Reported on Date	Nov. 24, 2025
Location	McMinnville, OR
Children	1
Description	Immigration agents smashed the window of a 17-year-old U.S. citizen's car and ignoring his statement that he was a U.S. citizen.
Citation	Yesenia Amaro, <i>High school senior, a U.S. citizen, detained by ICE in Oregon</i> , OREGONIAN (Nov. 24, 2025), https://www.oregonlive.com/portland/2025/11/high-school-senior-in-oregon-a-us-citizen-detained-by-ice.html .

45.

Reported on Date	Dec. 7, 2025
Location	Illinois
Children	1
Description	A teenager was chased by three agents while waiting for the school bus and tackled after a three-block chase. He was released as soon as he identified himself as a U.S. citizen.
Photography	
Citation	Hannah Faris and Devlin Barrett, <i>U.S. citizens caught in immigration enforcement face little recourse</i> , WASH. POST (Dec. 7, 2025), https://www.washingtonpost.com/immigration/2025/12/07/trump-immigration-citizens-ice-arrests/ .

46.

Reported on Date	Dec. 9, 2025
Location	Burnsville, MN
Children	3
Description	In Burnsville, Minnesota, three children—two seven-year-olds and one-year-old—were present when immigration agents forced their way into a multi-family home without presenting a warrant.

Citation	Doha Madani, ICE raided a Minnesota home, arresting 4 and frightening U.S. citizens, family says, NBC News (Dec. 9, 2025), https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/ring-camera-shows-ice-raid-minnesota-home-us-citizens-scared-4-arreste-rcna248189 .
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47.

Reported on Date	Dec. 15, 2025
Location	Chelsea, MA
Children	2
Description	In Chelsea, Massachusetts, two U.S. citizen children, one of whom is autistic, and their mother (who is a Green Card Holder) were taken by ambulance to a hospital emergency room for treatment after agents shattered their car windows and violently detained them. After pulling the child with autism from the car, agents threatened to arrest him if he did not answer their questions, despite his limited verbal communication ability.
Photography	
Citation	Jillian Lenson et al., <i>Complaint and Claims for Damages Under the Federal Tort Claims Act for Hilda Ramirez Sanan and Her Children, J.R.S. and A.R.S.</i> , LAWYERS FOR CIVIL RIGHTS BOSTON (Dec. 15, 2025), https://lawyersforcivilrights.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/FTCA-Complaint-Ramirez-Family-REDACTED.pdf .

48.

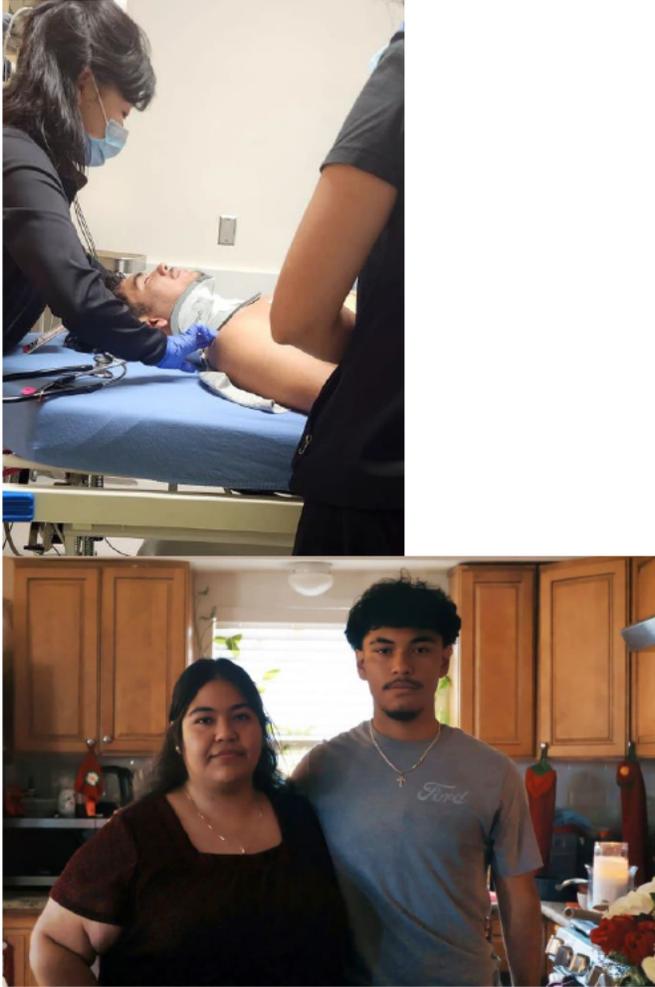
Reported on Date	Dec. 17, 2025
Location	Chicago, IL
Children	1
Description	A 5-year-old girl was arrested alongside her mother by approximately 20 armed officers in full riot gear at a laundromat.
Citation	Anna Flagg, <i>ICE Threw Thousands of Kids in Detention, Many For Longer Than Court-Prescribed Limit</i> , The Marshall Project, (Dec. 17, 2025), https://www.themarshallproject.org/2025/12/17/children-immigration-detention-dilley-ice

49.

Reported on Date	Jan. 7, 2026
Location	Salisbury, MD

Children	4
Description	A U.S. citizen child fighting cancer passed away just days after his mother was deported. Following the news of his mother's arrest, the son "shut down," according to the father, and "never came back." The son passed away a few days later, just before his sixteenth birthday.
Citation	Sean Curtis et al., <i>She's never going to see him: Salisbury teen passes days after mother's ICE arrest</i> , WBOC (Jan. 7, 2026), https://www.wbo.com/news/she-s-never-going-to-see-him-salisbury-teen-passes-days-after-mother-s-ice/article_4bb0566e-3226-4952-8b71-f9f459c63bd0.html .

50.

Reported on Date	Jan. 20, 2026
Location	Texas
Children	1
Description	In Houston, Texas, a 16-year-old high school student and U.S. citizen was violently assaulted and choked as agents detained his father. The 16-year-old was treated at an emergency room for serious injuries to his neck after agents violently assaulted him.
Photography	
Citation	Antonia Hylton, et. al, <i>A car ramming, a violent arrest and an emboldened immigration agency</i> , MS Now (Jan. 20, 2026), https://www.ms.now/news/border-patrol-tactics-father-teen-phone .

51.

Reported on Date	Jan. 13, 2026
Location	Richfield, MN
Children	1
Description	In Minnesota, a seventeen-year-old U.S. citizen was violently detained by agents and placed in restraints while working at a Target store.
Citation	Billal Rahman, US Citizens 'Aggressively' Detained by CBP While Working at Target, NEWSWEEK (Jan. 13, 2026), https://www.newsweek.com/us-citizens-aggressively-detained-border-patrol-working-target-11349481 .

52.

Reported on Date	Jan. 14, 2026
Location	Minnesota
Children	2
Description	In Minneapolis, Minnesota, officers equipped with military-style weapons forcibly entered a family's home without a warrant. Two children were present when agents broke down the door and entered with their guns drawn.
Citation	Tim Sullivan, <i>Liberian man arrested in Minneapolis raid was regularly checking in with authorities, lawyer says</i> , ASS. PRESS (Jan. 14, 2026), https://apnews.com/article/immigration-minneapolis-raid-liberian-trump-eceefc72b9889d33d2bc961f1f02ecc4 .

53.

Reported on Date	Jan. 14, 2026
Location	Morristown, NJ
Children	1
Description	In Morristown, New Jersey, a father was detained by agents on his way to pick up food for his six-year-old daughter. When he didn't return, the six-year-old went outside and was seen crying as she walked down the street saying, "Where's Papi?"
Photography	
Citation	Daysi Calavia-Robertson, <i>6-year-old girl left alone after ICE grabs N.J. dad picking up dinner outside his apartment. 'Where's Papi?'</i> , NJ.com (Jan. 29, 2026),

<https://www.nj.com/morris/2026/01/6-year-old-left-alone-after-ice-snatches-dad-picking-up-dinner-outside-his-door-wheres-papi-calavia-robertson.html>.

54.

Reported on Date	Jan. 15, 2026
Location	Robbinsdale, MN
Children	1
Description	An ICE agent reportedly arrested a parent of a Northport Elementary School student while the parent was waiting with their child at the school bus stop.
Citation	Kilat Fitzgerald, <i>ICE detains parent at Robbinsdale bus stop, school district says</i> , Fox9 KMSP (Jan. 15, 2026), https://www.fox9.com/news/ice-detains-parent-robbinsdale-bus-stop-jan-15 .

55.

Reported on Date	Jan. 15, 2026
Location	Minnesota
Children	6
Description	In Minneapolis, Minnesota, a family with six children was driving when agents deployed tear gas and stun grenades around them. Two of the children have severe asthma and the youngest was just 6 months old at the time. The blast from the tear gas canister knocked the six-month-old unconscious and two of the other children also required medical treatment after the incident.
Citation	Chris Hippensteel, <i>Couple Says ICE Agents Gassed Them as They Drove With 6 Children</i> , N.Y. TIMES (Jan. 15, 2026), https://www.nytimes.com/2026/01/15/us/minneapolis-couple-ice-tear-gas-6-children.html .

56.

Reported on Date	Jan. 15, 2026
Location	Austin, TX
Children	1
Description	Five-year-old U.S. citizen was detained with her mother without access to an attorney or advocate and was quickly deported to Honduras with her mother.
Citation	Cora Neas, <i>Austin mom, 5-year-old U.S. citizen deported to Honduras, advocates say</i> , KXAN (Jan. 15, 2026), https://www.kxan.com/news/local/austin/austin-mom-5-year-old-u-s-citizen-deported-to-honduras-in-secret-advocates-say/ .

57.

Reported on Date	Jan. 16, 2026
Location	Owatonna, MN
Children	1
Description	A 15-year-old girl was hit in the eyes with pepper spray by immigration agents. Video of the incident shows the child still in pajama pants, crying and saying that she cannot see. It also shows visible staining on her face from the pepper spray.
Citation	Josh Lafollete, <i>Witnesses accuse ICE of pepper spraying a minor as videos emerge of raids in Owatonna</i> , OWATONNA PEOPLE'S PRESS (Jan. 16, 2026), https://www.southernminn.com/owatonna_peoples_press/news/witnesses-accuse-ice-

of-pepper-spraying-a-minor-as-videos-emerge-of-raids-in-owatonna/article_333509da-58bf-415c-b2f5-ab64cddb21de.html.

58.

Reported on Date	Jan. 20, 2026
Location	Minnesota
Children	1
Description	A five-year-old child was present when approximately 10 immigration agents forced their way into a home without a warrant in St. Paul, Minnesota. The child watched as agents, with their guns drawn, detained his U.S. citizen grandfather and forced him out of his home in underwear.
Citation	Maia Coleman, <i>ICE Arrest of a Citizen, Barely Dressed, Sows Fear in Twin Cities</i> , N.Y. TIMES (Jan. 20, 2026), https://www.nytimes.com/2026/01/20/us/chongly-scott-thao-ice-arrest.html .

59.

Reported on Date	Jan. 21, 2026
Location	Minneapolis, MN
Children	2
Description	In Minneapolis, immigration agents rear-ended a vehicle driven by two teenagers and then arrested one of the teenagers who was a passenger in that vehicle.
Photography	
Citation	Kerem Yücel, <i>Customs and Border Protection officers detain two teenagers in Minneapolis</i> , MPR NEWS (Jan. 21, 2026), https://www.mprnews.org/story/2026/01/21/customs-and-border-protection-officers-detain-two-teenagers-in-minneapolis .

60.

Reported on Date	Feb. 1, 2026
Location	Columbia Heights, MN
Children	1
Description	In Minnesota, 5-year-old Liam Conejo Ramos, was used as bait by immigration agents to try to lure his mother from her home.
Photography	
Citation	Doha Madani, <i>5-year-old boy and his father return to Minnesota after being released from immigration custody</i> , NBC NEWS (Feb. 1, 2026), https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/immigration/5-year-old-liam-conejo-ramos-returns-minnesota-rcna256933 . Coral Murphy Marcos, <i>Immigration judge denies asylum claim for Liam Conejo Ramos and his family</i> , THE GUARDIAN (Mar. 18, 2026), https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2026/mar/19/liam-ramos-denied-asylum-ruling .

61.

Reported on Date	Feb. 1, 2026
Location	Portland, OR
Children	1
Description	In Portland, Oregon, a child received medical attention for apparent exposure to tear gas that was deployed during a peaceful protest where families were present.
Citation	Sabinnia Pierre, <i>Witness Video Captures Girl Being Treated After Tear Gas at Portland ICE Demonstration</i> , KGW8 (Feb. 1, 2026), https://kgw.com/article/news/politics/national-politics/witness-captures-girl-baby-treated-tear-gas-portland-ice-demonstration/283-c617cb1b-3bf9-47c8-bdb2-90b567b1d501 .

62.

Reported on Date	February 6, 2026
Location	Boise, ID
Children	1
Description	A father was detained by ICE agents immediately after dropping off his child at a daycare center in Boise, Idaho. The child's mother was notified of the detention of the child's father not because ICE told her, but by the daycare facility, which initiated safety protocols in the presence of ICE.
Citation	Brenda Rodriguez et al., <i>Father detained by ICE after dropping off child at Idaho daycare</i> , KTVB7 (Feb. 6, 2026), https://www.ktvb.com/article/news/local/father-

detained-by-ice-dropping-child-off-idaho-daycare/277-dfaaab27-4831-42f5-a84d-7ee2da9df201.

63.

Reported on Date	Feb. 8, 2026
Location	Texas (San Antonio area)
Children	1
Description	A young child's family home was raided by immigration agents who were searching for an individual who did not live there. The officers entered the home without presenting the family with a warrant and had weapons drawn in the presence of the child.
Photography	
Citation	TPR Staff, <i>DHS defends ICE actions after San Antonio home arrest attempt sparks backlash</i> , TEXAS PUBLIC RADIO (Feb. 8, 2026), https://www.tpr.org/border-immigration/2026-02-08/dhs-defends-ice-actions-after-san-antonio-home-arrest-attempt-sparks-backlash .

64.

Reported on Date	Feb. 10, 2026
Location	St. Cloud, MN
Children	1
Description	After agents detained a teenage refugee in St. Cloud, Minnesota, one agent told the teenager that she could call her family to come pick her up. But the agent then warned that if they did so, ICE would send the entire family to Texas.
Citation	Kerem Yücel, <i>After arrest, teen refugee held overnight in hotel room by ICE agents</i> , MPR NEWS (Feb. 10, 2026), https://www.mprnews.org/story/2026/02/10/after-arrest-teen-refugee-held-overnight-in-hotel-room-by-ice-agents .

65.

Reported on Date	Feb. 12, 2026
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Location	Montgomery County, PA
Children	2
Description	Two children, ages 8 and 13, were in their family home when agents surrounded and then violently broke down the door to enter the home. Agents entered the home with guns drawn and burst into the room where at least one child can be heard and seen on video crying.
Citation	Emily Nell, <i>'Traumatized' Montgomery County family demands probe after ICE raid in Lower Providence</i> , WISCONSIN PUBLIC RADIO, (Feb. 12, 2026), https://www.wpr.org/news/wisconsin-mom-who-won-green-card-detained-by-ice-after-routine-check-in .

66.

Reported on Date	Feb. 13, 2026
Location	New York, NY
Children	2
Description	A mother and her two young children, one of them a U.S. citizen, went to a routine check-in and were detained. They were forced to spend the holidays trapped in a hotel room for 20 days, until a judge ordered their release.
Citation	Gwynne Hogan, <i>After an ICE Arrest, a Scarred Family Returns to 26 Federal Plaza</i> , THE CITY (Feb. 13, 2026), https://www.thecity.nyc/2026/02/13/ce-check-ins-families-deportation-trauma/ .

67.

Reported on Date	Feb. 20, 2026
Location	Maryland
Children	3
Description	In Salisbury, Maryland, three children—ages seven, 10, and 15—were present when more than a dozen immigration agents forced their way into a family's home to arrest their father.
Citation	Josh Davis, <i>ICE arrest at Maryland home sparks student protests in the city</i> , THE BALTIMORE SUN (Feb. 20, 2026), https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/crime/ice-arrest-at-maryland-home-sparks-student-protests-in-the-city/ar-AA1WLN9j?ocid=BingNewsVerp .

68.

Reported on Date	Feb. 22, 2026
Location	Minnesota
Children	1
Description	ICE detained a 16-year-old asylum seeker and held him without notifying his parents. He was given a new A-number, labeled an 'unaccompanied minor,' and he was unable to be found in the immigration system.
Citation	Susan Due, <i>ICE detained a Minnesota teen, labeled him an 'unaccompanied minor,' and lost him</i> , STAR TRIBUNE (Feb. 22, 2026), https://www.startribune.com/how-ice-labeled-a-minnesota-teen-an-unaccompanied-minor-and-lost-him/601578960 .

69.

Reported on Date	Feb. 25, 2026
Location	Columbus, OH

Children	2
Description	In Columbus, Ohio, three girls—ages 18, 15 and 11—were in a car with their mother when immigration agents deployed pepper spray into the mother’s open car window, spraying her and her children.
Citation	Katie Mallard, <i>ICE agents pepper-spray Columbus mom, three kids inside moving vehicle</i> , NBC4 COLUMBUS (Feb. 25, 2026), https://www.nbc4i.com/news/investigates/ice-agents-pepper-spray-columbus-mom-three-kids-inside-moving-vehicle/ .

70.

Reported on Date	Feb. 26, 2026
Location	Newark, NJ
Children	3
Description	In Newark, New Jersey, agents engaged in a high-speed chase leading to a multi-car accident that sent two 15-year-olds and a 12-year-old to a hospital.
Photography	
Citation	David Waldstein, <i>ICE Car Chase Leads to Crash Involving Children, Newark Mayor Says</i> , N.Y. TIMES (Feb. 26, 2026), https://www.nytimes.com/2026/02/26/nyregion/ice-car-crash-newark-baraka.html .

71.

Reported on Date	Mar. 6, 2026
Location	Hayward, CA
Children	1
Description	In March 2026, a six-year-old student at the California School for the Deaf was deported to Colombia without his hearing aids, ending three years of specialized education.

Photography	
Citation	Robert Salonga, <i>Deportation of deaf child, family from Bay Area to Colombia draws outrage</i> , MERCURY NEWS (Mar. 6, 2026), https://www.mercurynews.com/2026/03/06/deport-ice-deaf-child-bay-area/ .

72.

Reported on Date	Mar. 11, 2026
Location	Marlborough, MA
Children	1
Description	In Marlboro, Massachusetts, a 14-year-old girl was detained and driven overnight out of the state to pressure her father to surrender.
Citation	Adam Reilly, <i>Judge orders release of Marlborough 14-year-old detained by Homeland Security</i> , WGBH (Mar. 11, 2026), https://www.wgbh.org/news/local/2026-03-11/judge-orders-release-of-marlborough-14-year-old-detained-by-homeland-security .

73.

Reported on Date	Mar. 13 2026
Location	New Jersey
Children	2
Description	In Franklin Township, New Jersey, agents arrested a father as he was driving his U.S. citizen children—a 15-year-old son and 13-year-old daughter—to school. The agents asked the boy to call his mom. However, agents drove away with the father before she could arrive.
Citation	Walt Kane, <i>ICE agents accused of leaving New Jersey children unattended after arresting father</i> , NEWS 12 (Mar. 13, 2026), https://hudsonvalley.news12.com/ice-agents-accused-of-leaving-new-jersey-children-unattended-after-arresting-father .

74.

Reported on Date	Mar. 18, 2026
Location	Weslaco, TX
Children	3

Description	In Weslaco, Texas, a DACA recipient father was arrested while on the way to deliver milk to the youngest of his three U.S. citizen children, who was just 12 days old and being cared for in an isolation chamber in a nearby hospital's neonatal intensive care unit after a premature birth. Speaking from a detention center, the father reported "I never got to hold her."
Citation	Laura Barrón-López, 'Americans at heart': ICE detains DACA recipient on way to visit premature baby in NICU, MS Now (Mar. 18, 2026), https://www.ms.now/news/ice-detains-daca-recipient-premature-baby .