



Keep Washington Working Act 2019

Establishes a statewide policy supporting Washington State's economy and immigrants' role in the workplace

More than 1 in 6 residents of Yakima County are foreign-born. Yakima County's population is young and vibrant, with a median age 5 years younger than Washington State as a whole.¹ Community members in Yakima have a vital role in ensuring that public officials comply with the Keep Washington Working Act (KWW).

As of May 21, 2019, all state agencies must comply with KWW. The state Attorney General's office is drafting model policies to ensure compliance that will be available by May 2020. It is our responsibility to hold Yakima's state and local officials accountable to comply with KWW. Once the model policies are available, YIRN will release additional information on how community members can help monitor local agencies' compliance with KWW.

- **Protect All Washington Residents** – KWW prohibits state agencies from inquiring into or conditioning services on an individual's place of birth, immigration or citizenship status, unless expressly required under federal or state law. No one may be denied services, benefits, privileges or opportunities due to presence of an ICE detainer, notification request, or immigration warrant.
- **Ensure Public Safety** – Yakima County's contract to detain immigrants for ICE/CBP *will terminate* on December 31, 2021. As of May 21, 2019, local and state law enforcement agencies are PROHIBITED FROM:
 - Detaining someone solely to determine immigration or citizenship status;
 - Taking or holding someone in custody based on a civil immigration warrant;
 - Providing non-public personal information to ICE or CBP, including people on probation;
 - Giving ICE or CBP access to interview people in custody, unless the detained person has given *written* consent;
 - Asking about or collecting information on immigration or citizenship status at arrest. Detained people *are not* required to disclose their place of birth, immigration or citizenship status, unless they choose to exercise their right to contact their consulate if they are a noncitizen;
 - Providing ICE or CBP notification of a person's date and/or time of release from custody;
 - Entering into an agreement with the federal government to deputize local law enforcement agents to enforce federal immigration laws;
 - Entering into an agreement with the federal government to detain noncitizens for ICE or CBP;
 - Contract for, or accept for free, language services from ICE or CBP.

¹ Source: www.yakimavalleytrends.org