

WASHINGTON COUNTY OREGON

Washington County Juvenile Department

Recent Federal Immigration

Federal immigration policy developments continue to create uncertainty for Oregon communities. Namely, there is concern regarding how the January 2017 Executive Order changes law enforcement in Washington County. While it is important to address violations of the law, Washington County and the Juvenile department are prohibited from enforcing said executive order. Oregon law and a federal district court decision prohibits local law enforcement from honoring Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainer requests.

The mission of the Washington County Juvenile Department is to protect the public by reducing delinquency, to restore victims who have suffered harm from delinquency and to use effective practices to teach youth responsible behavior. As we engage in our work, we are committed to ensuring that all of our community members, regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, or any other protected status, have equal access to a just process and our services and support. For example, the Washington County Juvenile Department values unrestricted access to justice for all victims of juvenile crime. Similarly, all youthful offenders have access to appropriate education and treatment within our community. Family members can trust that they will be safe in our buildings and community. We will continue to work to strengthen the families of ALL of our community members as we are privileged to do this important work.

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